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- Making Africa Great
- Identifying Resources
- Repositioning Strategic Human Resource
- Highlighting Africa
- Growing Talents

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2022 In Perspective

The year 2022 was eventful at the International Institute for African Scholars. Some members took it upon themselves to stamp the feet of The Institute on solid grounds. All such doings were not lost on The Institute.



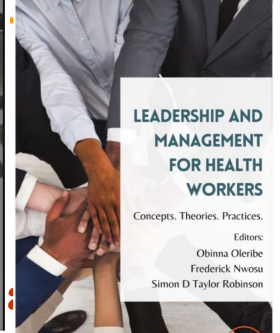
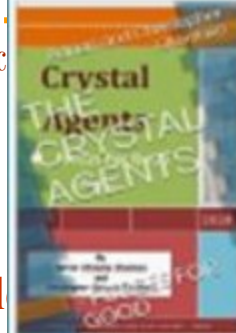
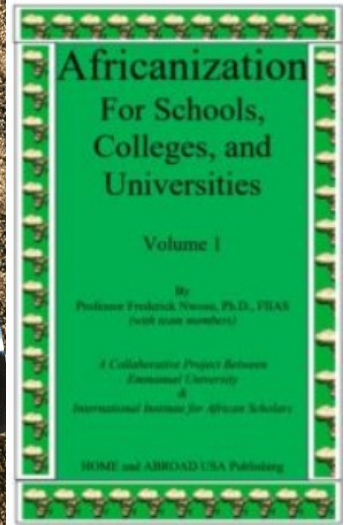
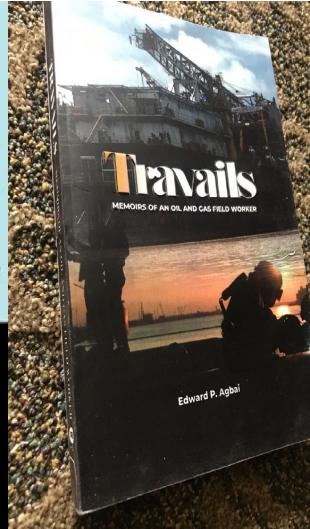
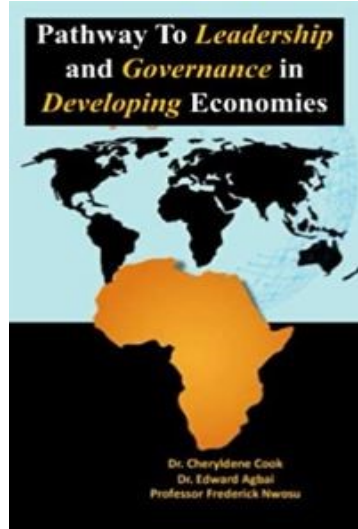
Continue to Lift Africa Up!!!

2022 In Perspective



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If you are a scholar of African descent, IIAS is your premium platform. Decide right now to become visible on your continent. Otherwise, others will come from afar to lead you.



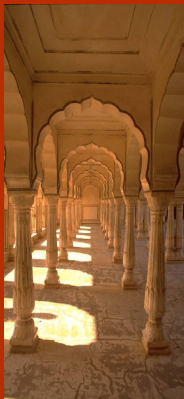
IIAS Book Project Coordinators

Dr. Edward Agbai, FIAS

Dr. Frank Agodi, FIAS

Dr. Cheryldene Cook, FIAS

**This is the way!
Walk Ye In it!**



More Books Are In the Pipeline!

His Royal Highness Igwe Emeka Ugwu (Guest of Honor)

His Royal Highness, Igwe Emeka Ugwu was Guest of Honor at the 2022 International Conference of the International Institute for African Scholars that took place in Charlotte, North Carolina, U.S.A. The conference was attended by members and non-members of the International

Institute. The President of the university was duly represented. The Mayor of the City of Charlotte, NC was duly represented. The President of the International Institute for African Scholars was present. Several top functionaries of The Institute were also present.



Has Ethiopia lived out the true meaning of its position on the continent of Africa..., speaking of leadership?



A cross-section of participants at the IIAS Conference Gala Night

His Royal Highness, Igwe Emeka Ugwu delivering a speech during the conference plenary session at the Johnson C. Smith University venue of the academic presentations.



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IIAS was established in June 2013 to serve doctoral and other social science researchers. Since then, it has helped several scholars across the globe. It collaborates with other entities such as the Journal of Functional Education, Global Peace Missions (NGO), Emmanuel University, and Center for Academic Research and Educational Sustainability among others. Through the instrumentality of these collaborating entities, Fellows of IIAS have found platforms to express their talents and global presence.

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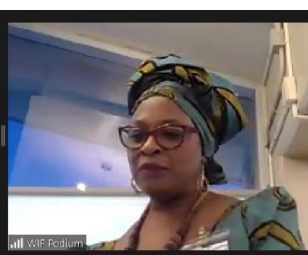
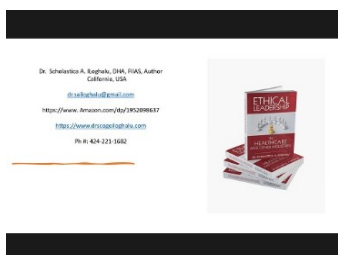
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Girl Child Advocacy**



IIAS AGRIC LOAN PROGRAM PROJECT PURPOSE

The purpose of the IIAS Agric. Project is to increase the capacity of small scale farmers to produce food for themselves and the market. During the workshop on this topic, farming activities and the applicable technologies were discussed. The application of appropriate technology was explored. Some of the feedback received include activities like cassava processing, palm oil processing, mushroom and snail farming. The idea is that if many people are involved in primary and secondary activities, productivity will increase.

Current Participating Countries

Cameroon	Ghana	Tanzania	Rwanda	Cote D'Ivoire	Uganda
Congo	Guinea	Togo	Zambia	Nigeria	Zimbabwe

The list of country representatives will be confirmed after vetting.

WHO QUALIFIES

The focus of the IIAS Project group is to identify people who are involved in farming activities but are not able to qualify for regular bank loans or financing. The aim is to help these people increase their productivity, market their products within well designed channels and expand participation.

BUSINESS MODELS

Business models presented will continue to be subjected to scrutiny to determine who it works for and for whom it can be adapted. It is assumed that no single model will work for everyone or every community. The impact of country conditions and cultural beliefs will be evaluated by the IIAS Monitoring Team to determine what would work.

EXPECTATIONS

Expectations include that models that work or can be adapted will be agreed upon. Qualified people will be provided funding under clearly defined guidelines. We welcome ideas from professionals from different backgrounds and countries who would provide country conditions that may have been ignored during program design.

STATUS

To date, more than one hundred individuals have indicated willingness to participate. Most of these are from Nigeria, Zimbabwe, Ghana, Tanzania, Uganda and Togo. We encourage others to extend the information to people in other parts of Africa.

As explained before, there should be no expectation for free money. Emergency or fly-by farmers will not qualify.

THE PROCESS

1. Accept Applications;
2. Place Applications in three main groups based on geographical location, Specialty & Funding Needs;
3. Interview Applicants;
4. Verifications of the participant to confirm identity;
5. Certification about good faith efforts, guarantor(s) and willingness to abide by the rules;
6. Award Loans; and Monitor the process for improvement.

Executive Action

- Choosing a bank;
 - Relations with bank; and
- Program assessment timetable.

**Contact IIAS Project Department
(Agric Loan Program) for other details.
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The Place Of Creativity And Innovation In The Midst Of Treachery

It Has Been Two Years Since The Novel Corona Virus Was Declared A Pandemic; We Have Witnessed Various Waves, Some Ending The Third While Others Are Entering The Fourth Wave. We Have Also Seen Variants Of Concern, With Omicron Being The Latest Variant Of Concern. We Are Not Sure If There Will Not Be More Waves Or The Emergence Of Variants Of Concern, But We Now Know How To Live With The Virus.

This Present Situation Has Put Varying Challenges To Our Personal And Collective Living As I Cannot Just Buy An Air Ticket To Travel To Another Country. The Challenges Are Testing Our Emotional Disposition, Unemployment, Grief, And Death Are Rising, Which Is One Of The Fallouts Of Managing The Crisis. Some Have Been Fortunate And Have The Strength To Deal With The Emerging Challenge With Confidence, While Others Struggle To Overcome Them. How Do We Become Creative And Innovative During These Daunting Challenges?

Creativity Is The Capability Or Act Of Conceiving Something Original Or Unusual, While Innovation Implements Something New. The Invention Creates Something That Has Never Been Made Before And Is Recognized As The Product Of Some Unique Insight. If You Have A Brainstorming Meeting And Dream Up Dozens Of New Ideas, You Have Displayed Creativity, But There Is No Innovation Until Something Gets Implemented. Somebody Must Take A Risk And Deliver Something For A Creative Idea To Become An Innovation. An Invention Might Be A Product, Device, Or Method That Has Never Existed Before.

The Bible Story Of Jacob In Genesis 30:27-28 And 30:32-43 Become A Point Of Reference For Dealing With The Issue Of Being Creative Amid The Treachery. Jacob Had Suffered In The Hands Of His Treacherous Uncle And Later Father-In-Law; He Worked For Him For Over 20 Years, When It Was Time For His Master To Set Him Free And Release Him, He Brought In Further Treachery.

Jacob Grew The Flocks Because He Had Learnt The Trade From His Parent And Mastered The Art. He Became Creative Due To Observation And Innovated To Birth New Breeds Of The Flock. Get Knowledge And Understanding. It Will Give You An Informed Perspective To Understand Beyond The People's Actions. The Actions Could Be Situated Within Some Cultural Context And Upbringing. Jacob Knew When To Tell His Wives And Children To Leave, Hide Something, Or Where.

Like The Envelope Of Perseverance, The NASA Mars Rover Was Sent To Collect The First-Ever Mars Rock Sample. We Need To Find Better Solutions When Faced With Adversity And Pushed Forward To Achieve Our Goal. Despite Huge Potential For Disaster During The Seven Minutes Of Terror That Every Mars Rover Requires To Plummet Through Mars' Atmosphere And Safely Land, Everything Worked As Planned For Perseverance, And The Touchdown Was A Huge Success (<https://www.cnet.com/news/a-historic-moment-nasa-perseverance-rover-collects-first-ever-mars-rock-sample/>). This "Seven Minutes Of Terror" Might Vary For Different Situations When We Relate It To The Challenges We Face As Human Beings Trying To Break Forth New Ideas And Innovation While Confronted With Life Issues In A Treacherous World.

When We Are Faced With Challenges, Dealing With These Challenges With Our Heads Up Expands Our Threshold Of Resilience (Resilience Is The Capacity To Recover From Complex Life Events And The Degree To Which We Withstand Adversity And Bounce Back And Grow Despite Life's Downward Slide) And Provides A Basis For Retooling To Have A Higher Escape Velocity. An Escape Velocity Is Born Out Of Our Understanding Of The Challenges, And The Solution Proffered To Address Those Challenges. We Can Advise People Facing Similar Challenges And Provide Roadmaps And Mentorship As Solution Providers.

In Overcoming These Challenges, Jacob Did Some Immoral Acts And His Life's Story That He Had To Confront In Later Years. In This Vein, As We Overcome Challenges That Life Throws At Us, We Can Confront Our Mortality And Not Lose Our Morality While Being Innovative And Creative.

**By Dr. Edward Agbai,
Fellow, IIAS,
Director Of Research, IIAS**

Listened to African Advocates Lately?

African advocates are churning out videos upon videos,
lamenting the plight of the continent and its dwellers.

Who among them have you listened to?

What resonates with you among the things they say?

You, sure, know Professor P. L. O. Lumumba's Leadership channel on YouTube.

You, sure, know Her Excellency, Dr. Arikana Chihombori-Quao's channel on YouTube.

You, sure, know Professor Frederick Nwosu's Leadership channel on YouTube.

You, sure, know Comrade Julius Malema's Leadership channel on YouTube.

Where is your YouTube channel for African Leadership?

Did you know that some forces are making sure Africans are divided?

Are you falling for those narratives?



**The above are just a few of the voices in the desert.
Let's hear your voice.
Africa needs it!**

**Africa is the homeland of ALL BLACKS.
If anyone thought Blacks didn't have a backup, IIAS is here!
Black People, Connect With Africa. IIAS has built the bridge
for you. Contact IIAS today and reconnect with your Conti-**

**It is time for a Pilgrimage!
This is the Pilgrimage Center.
IIAS will facilitate.
If IIAS is going to lead the way,
then, something tangible has to exist.
Diaspora Africans can be pointed in
this direction as a starting point!**



2022 IIAS MVP Awards



Dr. Cheryldene Cook
Education Consultant, Organizer, Speaker



Dr. Frank Agodi
Education & Healthcare Leader, Speaker



Dr. Kingson Njoku
Leadership Mentor, Speaker



Dr. Marytherse Agwara
Education & Healthcare Leader, Speaker



Dr. Veronica Robinson
Educator, Community Leader, Speaker



Dr. Christian Ehiobuche
International Educator, Author, Speaker



Dr. Edward Agbai
Author, Mentor, Speaker



Dr. Chima Nwosu
Project Engineer, Strategist, Speaker