

Review of: "Honorific Conception of Philosophy and Exclusionism in Nigeria"

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The paper, in my opinion, presents a well-written and compelling critique of exclusionism in Nigeria, based on an analysis of the role of Enlightenment philosophers in elaborating an ideology and practice of exclusion combined with an informative case study on the Nigerian experience. As a legal scholar based in Europe and engaging in academic debates on the political-philosophical dimension of the application of human rights in (private) law, I particularly appreciated the insights from the Nigerian point of view.

As a suggestion, it might be worthwhile to add a few lines on the critique of human rights, which resonates with that of exclusionism. Although in the Enlightenment Era the legal recognition of human rights took shape, only few, privileged members of society were included in the scope of protection of such rights. Moreover, seemingly neutral or equal rights may also today benefit stronger parties more than others and, thus, entrench inequalities. These legal-historical and legal-political aspects could likely further strengthen the authors' line of argumentation.

I hope this may be of help and wish to compliment the authors on their work.