

Review of: "Media Framing of African Refugee Migration to Europe: An Analysis of Narrative Constructions From Selected Global Media Houses in 2023"

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First, I would like to congratulate the author for this interesting piece of research. The article reads very well, is clear, and is academically sound. The topic is interesting, and the way the paper was structured was successful. The method used is also suitable and adequate for this type of research. I only have three main points to address as a reviewer:

- 1. The background, or supposedly the literature review section, is obviously brief. The author needs to engage in a more detailed analysis and discussion pertaining to the history of the migration problem and the African context and conditions. The topic, as I mentioned, is very interesting, and what could make it even more intriguing for readers is the inclusion of a historical review and a more explicit discussion of the recent trends and their implications, not only on Europe but also at a larger global scale. The demographic factors and the escalating conditions in some African countries need to be addressed more openly. So, kindly revisit the literature/background section at the beginning to discuss these issues in more detail and also use more academically sound references to back up your argument. I recommend using "Emerald," as it is rich in studies relating to migration and other African issues.
- 2. The implications could be more interestingly introduced and discussed to draw the attention of readers, especially those who are interested in this field of research. The importance of such types of studies lies in the practical and social implications they propose. I recommend the author discusses the implications in more detail and to list them in the end as bullet points in order to provide a clearer idea about the findings and their importance. The findings should transcend local boundaries and talk more about regional and global consequences. I am not asking for a radical change here, rather highlighting these issues as I believe they need to be presented more clearly so that the contribution of the article elevates to a higher "academic" level.
- 3. The article could benefit from the inclusion of a practitioner's input/opinion. Please consult to add an expert's opinion.

Otherwise, I think that the paper is informative, uses clear language, and is well-presented. Good luck to the author in the revision process.

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