

Review of: "Against Jump-Starting Western-Type Democracy on Africa's Socio-Political Tarmac"

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Overall, an interesting point of departure, but it needs to be further developed. The idea of a necessary further balkanisation of Nigeria begs for a more thorough and systematic elaboration of the argument. However, due to a lack of systematic scientific referencing and the build-up of a logically validated paper, this turns out to be more of an argumentation than a theoretical or evidence-based argument. In brief, this is demonstrated by the use of I think, I would say, I feel, or literary referencing rather than scientific referencing, which is missing in almost every paragraph.

Moreover, there is a conflation in the argumentation between Nigeria and Africa. Clearly, the argument of the writer is confined to Nigeria, and any extrapolation to Africa is not convincingly demonstrated by other references or sources.

Finally, the argument for the balkanisation and use of indigenous systems is not well demonstrated, even for Nigeria. A general reference is made, but the opportunity to elaborate on how this may look for the different so-called 'total secessions' in Nigeria remains unutilised.

In addition, a final spelling and grammar check, as well as clearer structuring of the text, is needed. A spear battery instead of a spare battery, 1400 SE as a historical date, Benenuas instead of Beninois, accessorial instead of ancestorial, to name a few.

There is a fairly radical, embryonic idea of a decolonialisation of the term democracy that deserves much more rigorous attention and specification than the author is presently able to communicate.

Hence, this text is not ready for publication unless THOROUGHLY reconceptualised and reworked.

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