

Review of: "Donald Davidson's Theory of Action in Relation to Responsibility: Addressing Crisis of Social Development in Africa"

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This article examines the development crisis in Africa and attempts to identify the key causes behind the underdevelopment of the continent. The authors believe that Africans themselves, including the political class, are primarily responsible for their current state of underdevelopment, although external factors such as the slave trade, colonialism, and neocolonialism are contributing factors. It seeks to identify the central causative factor behind the continent's underdevelopment and employs Donald Davidson's standard theory of action to explain how intentional action, driven by beliefs and desires, is a significant factor in Africa's underdevelopment. According to Davidson's theory, actions are rationalized by beliefs and desires, making individuals accountable for their actions. The authors apply this perspective to African political leaders and citizens, suggesting that their actions are motivated by materialistic goals, which hinder holistic development and contribute to the continent's crisis. It advocates a change in how Africans think about development, promoting intrinsic rather than extrinsic needs, and reorienting the education system to encourage critical thinking and ethical values. There is They argue that true progress lies in creativity, autonomy, and the realization of human potential, and not in mere material accumulation. This article analyzes in detail the development crisis in Africa considering both internal and external factors and proposes thought-provoking arguments. It The authors effectively incorporate Donald Davidson's theory of action to examine the relationship between intentions, beliefs, and actions, bringing a philosophical perspective to the discussion.

This article presents an engaging argument, but it would be more convincing if concrete examples, statistics, and case studies backed up the claims.

Although the authors acknowledge the role of external factors such as colonialism, further examination and consideration of these influences would strengthen the overall argument of this paper.

Arguing about the Africa's development crisis, the article blames Africans themselves for the main blame for underdevelopment. Incorporating Donald Davidson's action theory, the authors present a compelling argument for the role of beliefs and desires in shaping intentional actions and thus developmental outcomes. While the article had better benefit from additional supporting evidence and a clearer structure, it provides valuable insight into Africa's development challenges and the need for a mindset shift to foster real sustainable progress.

