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Published in April 2023, the Journal of Conflict Management and Sustainable Development Volume 10 Issue 2 is focused on disseminating knowledge and creating a platform for scholarly debate on pertinent and emerging areas in the fields of Conflict Management and Sustainable Development.

It is edited by the ADR Practitioner of the Year 2022, Dr. Kariuki Muigua, Ph.D, who was also awarded: The African Arbitrator of the Year 2022; The Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CIArb) (Kenya Branch) ADR Lifetime Achievement Award 2021; The ADR Publisher of the Year 2021 and The Law Society of Kenya (LSK) ADR Practitioner of the Year Award 2021.

His book, *Settling Disputes through Arbitration in Kenya, 4th Edition*; Glenwood publishers 2022, was awarded the Publication of the Year Award 2022. He is a member of the National Environment Tribunal which was awarded the best performing Tribunal in Kenya for handling the most cases.

The first article '*Realizing Environmental, Social and Governance Tenets of Sustainable Development*' by Dr. Kariuki Muigua discusses the Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) aspects of the sustainable development agenda and how the same affects sustainability. The paper looks at the best practices as far as these tenets are concerned. The author argues that unless countries and stakeholders ensure that there is convergence of efforts in pursuit of environmental, social and governance aspects of sustainability, then the struggle for the achievement of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development will remain a mirage.

Michael Sang in his article '*Assessing the Jurisprudential gains and Challenges in the Prosecution of Terrorism-related Offences in Kenya*' critically examines the jurisprudential gains and challenges in the prosecution of terrorism-related offences in Kenya. The article critically assesses problematic aspects in the prosecution of these offences and proffers proposals for reform in bail, evidence and sentencing.

Dr. Kariuki Muigua has demonstrated his prowess and sound understanding of Environmental Management in his paper '*Who Speaks for Nature? Entrenching the Ecocentric Approach in Environmental Management in Kenya*'. The paper makes a case for the entrenchment of an ecocentric approach in environmental management in Kenya. The author argues that there is a need for the human race to take care of the earth and its resources mainly because of its own ecological health and not merely because it is the source of the resources necessary for meeting human needs.

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*'Waking up to the call of Climate change: Challenges for Africa and Europe'* by Gichinga Ndirangu analyses the cost of climate change and the threat that it poses to various sectors. The author argues that because climate change is a shared challenge for both Europe and Africa, it must help foster a common cause and become a bond for meaningful co-operation in such areas as research, analysis and resourcing geared towards strengthening Africa's capacity at adapting and mitigating its potential adverse impacts.

Aaron Masya Nzembei and Angelah A. Malwa in their paper, *'Effective Public Participation in Environmental Impact Assessment Process: Assessing The Law and Practice in Kenya'* critically discusses the usefulness and effectiveness of the Laws guiding public participation in environmental governance and provide recommendations on opportunities available for improvement.

*'An Appraisal of Kenya's National Cybersecurity Strategy 2022: A Comparative Perspective'* by Michael Sang critically analyses Kenya's National Cyber Security Strategy of 2022, juxtaposing it with Estonia and UK's cyber-security strategies. The paper discusses the 2022 strategy by bringing to the fore its necessity, design, development, principles, goals, pillars, merits and shortcomings.

Dr. Kariuki Muigua in his paper *'Safeguarding the Environment through Effective Pollution Control'* discusses how the problem of pollution can be dealt with in Kenya as a key step towards achieving sustainable development. The author argues that Environmental pollution has become a major challenge, not only in Kenya but also across the globe, especially in the era of seeking faster economic development to take care of the ballooning human population in different countries.

Lastly, *'Resolving Intergovernmental Disputes in Kenya through Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) mechanisms'* by Vianney Sebayiga analyses the nature and causes of intergovernmental disputes by highlighting examples witnessed in the last thirteen years of devolution. The paper critically examines the strengths and gaps in the ADR Regulations and offers recommendations on better resolution of intergovernmental disputes through ADR.