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Published in October 2022, the Journal of Conflict Management and Sustainable Development Volume 9 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 African Arbitrator of the Year 2022, Dr. Kariuki Muigua, PhD who has earned his reputation as a distinguished legal practitioner in Kenya and a leading environmental scholar in Africa and the world. The Journal analyses some of the current concerns and proposes interventions towards attaining Sustainable Development. It also discusses the role of Conflict Management in the quest towards Sustainable Development.

Dr. Kariuki Muigua, the winner of the Inaugural CIArb Kenya Branch ADR Lifetime Achievement Award, has demonstrated his prowess and sound understanding of Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) principles in his article *'Embracing Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) Principles for Sustainable Development in Kenya'*. It critically examines the extent to which Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) principles have been embraced in Kenya. He argues that ESG has emerged as probably the most important tool of corporate governance. ESG seeks to shape corporate decision making by advocating for sustainable, responsible and ethical investments. The article analyses each of the ESG principles and the progress made towards embracing this concept in Kenya. It further addresses some of the ESG challenges in Kenya and suggests the way forward towards embracing ESG principles for sustainable development in Kenya.

'Kenya's Legal Viaduct to Environmental Sustainability' by Polycarp Moturi Ondieki contextualizes and conceptualizes Kenya's legal system and how it has been able to attain sustainability. He discusses the laws that have since been enacted, the cases that have been decided and the agencies that have been created to ensure the attainment of sustainability in Kenya. In addition to that, he shows how the various principles of sustainable development have been achieved in Kenya through the existing legal system.

'Impact of Contemporary Weapons and Technology on International Humanitarian Law: A Case for Consideration' by Dr. Kenneth Wyne Mutuma makes an assessment of the effectiveness and efficiency of existing IHL rules and conventions in addressing the issues precipitated by the contemporary technologies and weapons in the context of armed hostilities. The article offers recommendations in its conclusion which, when

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adopted, would make the IHL rules not only relevant but also effective and adequate in addressing the existing challenges posed by new technologies and weapons.

Limlim Thomas Elim in his paper, *'Right to Health: Critical Analysis of Kenyan Legal Framework'* traces the legal concept of health and its association to the right to health by analysing the Kenyan legal framework. The article proposes legal reforms for the appropriate actualization of the right to health as per the constitutional and international law intendment.

'Biodiversity Mainstreaming for Food and Nutrition Security in Kenya' by Dr. Kariuki Muigua makes a case for some of the ways that Kenya can mainstream biodiversity conservation debates into measures geared towards achieving food and nutritional security.

Henry K. Murigi in his paper *'Law History and Politics in Developing Societies: A Comparative Analysis of Constitution Making Process in Australia and United Arab Emirates'* compares the politics surrounding the constitution making in Australia and United Arab Emirates. He considers the claims made as to how these two States came up, how they manage their politics, mainly as contained in their respective Constitution making process and political practices.

'Money Laundering and The Role of the Advocate - A Comparative Analysis of Kenyan and South African Law' by Viola Wakuthii explores the basics of money laundering and the role of the advocate in Kenya, in comparison with the role of the South African attorney. It refers to the Proceeds of Crime and Anti-Money Laundering Act No. 9 of 2010 Laws of Kenya as well as the Financial Intelligence Centre Act No. 38 Laws of South Africa. The author concludes that the Kenyan lawyer is an important part of the fight against money laundering, and should be included as a reporting entity.

Mwati Muriithi in his article *'Journal Review: Alternative Dispute Resolution Journal Volume 10 Issue 3'* notes that The Alternative Dispute Resolution Journal Volume 10 Issue 3 covers pertinent and emerging issues across all ADR mechanisms including arbitration, mediation, negotiation, adjudication and traditional justice systems. It provides a platform for scholarly debate and in-depth investigations into both theoretical and practical questions in Alternative Dispute Resolution.

'Exploring Poverty in South Sudan through the Lens of Multidimensional Poverty Approach' by Matai Muon focuses on the nature, patterns and measurement of poverty in South Sudan through the lens of multidimensional poverty approach. In so doing, it reviews the existing body of knowledge using a variety of tools and methodologies from both the income-based and the multidimensional-based approaches.

Lastly, *'Book Review: Exploring Conflict Management in Environmental Matters - Kariuki Muigua, Ph.D., FCI Arb, (C. Arb), Glenwood Publishers, 2022'* by Jack Shivugu points out that *Exploring Conflict Management in Environmental Matters* by Dr. Kariuki Muigua is written in a clear and concise language and the author maintains high standards of

intellectual diligence and critical analysis of issues throughout the book. The book is a useful resource for policy makers, legislators, practitioners, lecturers, students and the public at large.