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Editorial Note

Since the end of the Cold War, many African countries have been enmeshed in a series of protracted conflict, accounting for internally displaced persons, refugee and migration crisis as well as the death of thousands of civilians. Acknowledging that these obstinate conflicts impede meaningful advancement, African countries via the African Union and in conjunction with international organizations have persistently fashioned out various peace frameworks with a view to nipping these conflicts in the bud. Nonetheless, majority of Africa countries have witnessed a relapse into deadly conflict with manifestations in the increasing trends of terrorism, organized violence, ethnic and religious crisis, secession and even political violence. Regardless, the African continent continues to dominate discourse across the globe with no end in sight.

Consequently, a series of actors have pointed out that such continuous relevance further demonstrates the changing nature of increasing reality associated with global politics, some others have dismissed such position. While these varying positions remain prevalent, existing academic journals on the subject matter have further worsen the situation due to their inability to provide the required attention these emerging issues requires. This first volume presents articles that captured the changing dynamics and problems of democracy, governance and conflict-based relations in a number of African states, with special focus on the Lake Chad region. It outlined the ways in which these challenges that have caused massive poverty could be managed through food security, business education, diplomacy, peacebuilding and good governance. You are therefore encouraged to relax and go through the content of this issue.

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