Editorial Note

Ayika: Journal of Environment and Politics in Africa continues to prove to be Africa's leading platform for the discourse of environmental and political dynamics in the continent. This is attested to by the high-quality articles published in successive issues of the journal since its inception. As a journal, it also continues to demonstrate the extricate linkage between the dynamics of the environment and politics. This is to the extent, that issues and challenges in one area affect the other. For example, environmental problems such as drought, water scarcity, and even climate change, among others continue to exert pressure on political systems across the continent. Hence, in a nuanced manner, environmental dynamics continue to be one of the leading drivers of political crisis in Africa.

This issue of Ayika: Journal of Environment and Politics in Africa contains a rich collection of articles. They touch on important themes of environmental and political themes affecting countries on the continent. Some of these themes include Gender-Based Violence, injustice and related themes.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to everyone involved in the publication process of this issue of Ayika: Journal of Environment and Politics in Africa. Our committed reviewers deserve commendation for taking the time to critically engage the submissions and showing ways of improving them. In the same vein, the contributors are also commended for adhering to the including to codes and ethics. Your

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