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Call for papers for Special Issue On COVID-19 and African Economy for African Journal of Economic Review [AJER]

Introduction:

It is a well-established notion that promotion of economic growth resulting into higher degree of economic development is a *sin-quo-non* for every country or region irrespective of developed; developing and least developing economies. The African region is no exception to this notion. There is a greater room for accelerating the pace of growth and development for African economy. This concept is valid and more relevant for ongoing economic and social development [two faces of the same coin] of African region.

The present crisis of COVID-19 may have far reaching and direct bearing effect; impact and implications to African economy; especially those countries which are facing disastrous crisis of Coronavirus in the region. Naturally the movement of goods and services are being drastically affected, resulting into unbearable effect on African Economy in general and African trade and investment in particular.

Why Special Issue?

Therefore, it is timely; imperative and topical to ask the academic community; planners; policy makers and professionals across the world in general and African continent in particular to explore and examine the critical issues which are directly and indirectly related to the effect; impact and implications of COVID-19 on African economy.

As the African Journal of Economic Review [AJER] is a specialized journal, it may serve a better cause in regard to assessment of the effects; impact and implications of COVID-19 on different facets of African economy. The effects; impact and implications are not for just one year. They will continue for many years to come. There is a possibility that the COVID-19 may also affect economic and social parameters of the African countries in coming years.

The following are the topics for the examining the effects; impact and implications of COVID-19 on different components of growth and development of African continent. The preference or emphasis should be on “Inter-regional and Intra-regional studies”. There is a possibility that, the authors may also select topics not mentioned below. But the contributors must ensure that contents and spirit should be adhering to on theme of the Special issue.

Main Topics for papers;

The following topics may be covered by the prospective authors:

- (i) *African economy: pre and post emerging trends*
- (ii) *Balance of Payments (BOP)*
- (iii) *African Trade and Agreements*
- (iv) *FDI and its pattern of inflows before and after COVID-19*
- (v) *Role MNCs/TNCS in minimizing the effects*
- (vi) *Changing role of economic Cooperation after COVID-19*
- (vii) *Role of Global Institutions;*
- (viii) *Health care*
- (ix) *Rising economic and social costs*
- (x) *Macroeconomic Policy Responses to COVID-19*
- (xi) *Growth Forecast and the COVID-19*
- (xii) *Sectoral impacts, responses and recommendation*
- (xiii) *Firm-Level Behavior in Response to the COVID-19 Crisis*
- (xiv) *Labor Markets during the Covid-19 Crisis*
- (xv) *Lockdown, pandemics and quarantine*
- (xvi) *Consumer Spending Responses to the Covid-19*

Deadline for submission of papers: December 31, 2020.

Tentative month of publication of Special Issue: March 31, 2021.

The papers should be between 5000-10000 words. The Manuscript may be sent to the Guest Editor whose email IDs are as under: -

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