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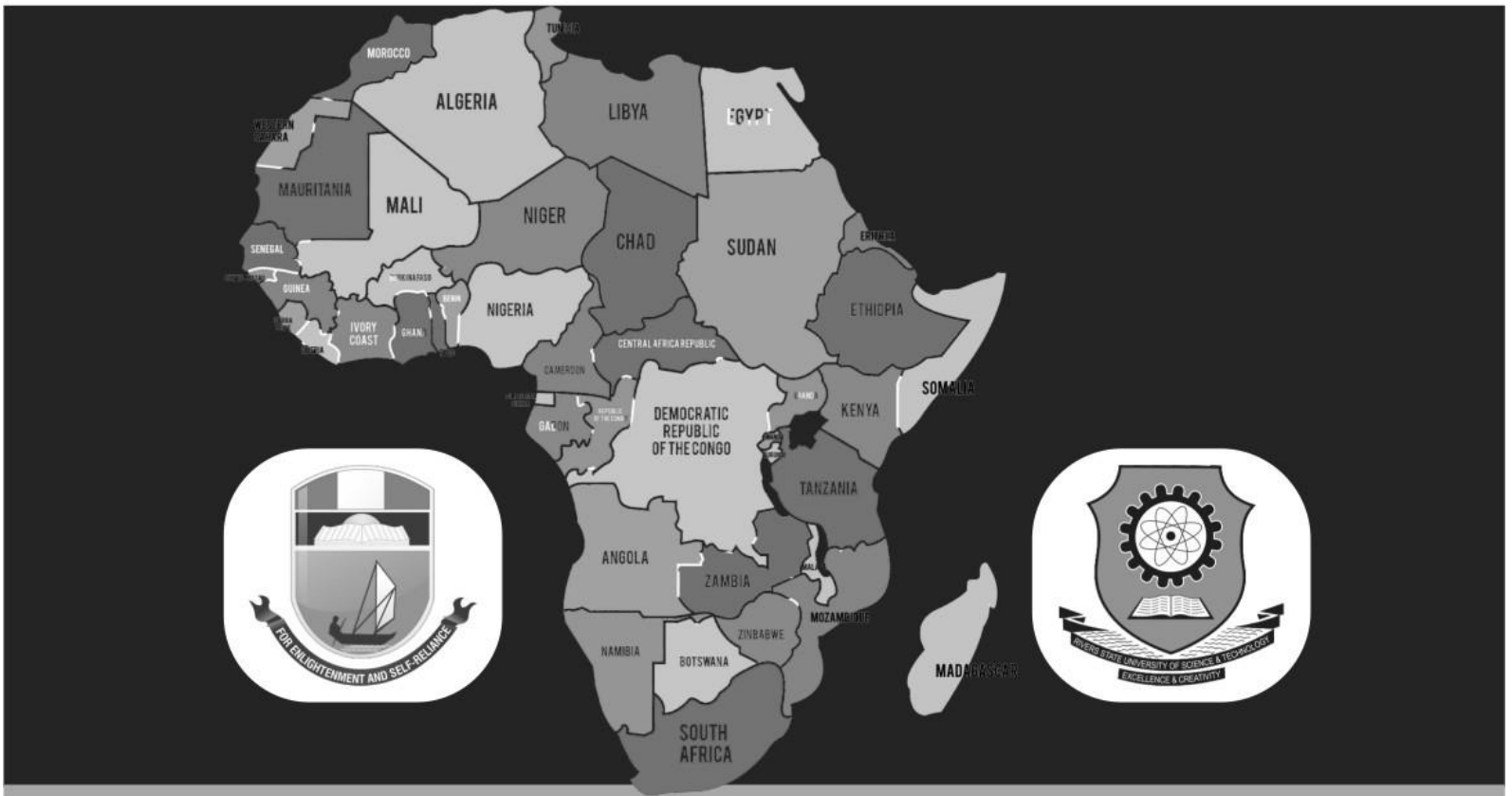

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For litigation Lawyers, the Chapter on Public interest litigation is very apt and refreshing, together with the beautiful discussion on hydraulic factoring of stranded oil wells in Nigeria. On the whole, this Volume is not only educative but handy for all researchers in the Energy, Environmental, Maritime, Human Rights, Oil and Gas Governance and Development. While, we express no doubt about the quality of the articles here, the Editorial Board must say that various opinions expressed in the published papers are solely those of their authors not the Editorial Board of (AJIEE).

Consequently, I hereby recommend this edition to Researchers, Government, University Students, the Oil and Gas Industry's stakeholders and the general public for a grab.
The Editorial Board looks out for your constructive feedback, always.

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ANP - National Agency of Petroleum
BSCF - Billion Standard Cubic Feet
CERD - Centre for Energy Research and Development
CERT - Centre for Energy Research and Training
CJN - Chief Justice of Nigeria
CNPE - National Council of Energy Policy
COP - Conference of Parties
DECC - Department of Energy and Climate Change
DPR - Department of Petroleum Resources
ECN - Energy Commission of Nigeria
EGASPIN - Environmental Guidelines and Standards for Petroleum Industry in Nigeria
EPIC - Electric Power Implementation Committee
EPSR - Electric Power Sector Reform
EPSRA - Electric Power Sector Reform Act
FEC - Federal Executive Council
FEF - Frontier Exploration Fund
FME - Federal Ministry of the Environment
GDP - Gross Domestic Product
GGFR - Global Gas Flaring Reduction Initiative
GHG - Greenhouse Gas
HCDT - Host Community Development Trust
ILO - International Labour Organization
IRENA - International Renewable Energy
KPUNFCCC - Kyoto Protocol to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change
LASEPA - Lagos State Environmental Protection Agency
LNG - Liquefied Natural Gas
MDGIF - Midstream and Downstream Gas Infrastructure Fund
MDGs - Millennium Development Goals
MGIF - Midstream Gas Infrastructure Fund
MME - Ministry of Mines and Energy
MSW - Municipal Solid Waste
MTPA - Million Tonnes Per Annum
NAEC - Nigeria Atomic Energy Commission
NAPIMS - National Petroleum Investment Management Services
NBET - Nigerian Bulk Electricity Trading
NBMA - National Biosafety Management Agency
NCDMB - Nigerian Content Development and Monitoring Board
NCMB - Nigerian Content Monitoring Board
NDDC - Niger Delta Development Commission
NEEDS - National Economic Empowerment and Development Strategy
NEITI - Nigerian Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative
NELMCO - Nigeria Electricity Liability Management Ltd/Gte

NEMSA - Nigerian Electricity Management Services
NEP - National Energy Policy
NEPA - National Electric Power Authority
NERC - National Electricity Regulatory Commission
NESI - Nigerian Electricity Supply Industry
NESP - Nigerian Energy Support Programme
NGP - National Gas Policy
NIMASA - Nigerian Maritime Administration and Safety Agency
NLNG - Nigerian Liquefied Natural Gas
NMDPRA - Nigerian Midstream and Downstream Petroleum Regulatory Authority
NNOC - Nigerian National Oil Corporation
NNPC - Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation
NOGICD - Nigerian Oil and Gas Industry Content Development
NOGICDA - Nigerian Oil and Gas Industry Content Development Act
NOTAP - National Office for Technology Acquisition and Promotion
NREEEP - National Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Policy
NRW - Natural Resources Wales
NUPRC - Nigerian Upstream Petroleum Regulatory Commission
NURC - Nigerian Upstream Regulatory Commission
ODS - Ozone Depleting Substances
OML - Oil Mining License
PHCD - Petroleum Host Community Development
PHCN - Power Holding Company of Nigeria
PIFF - Petroleum Fiscal Industry Framework
PPA - Power Purchase Agreements
PPE - Personal Protective Equipment
RDS - Royal Dutch Shell Plc
REA - Rural Electrification Agency
REFIT - Renewable Energy Feed-In Tariff
REMP - Renewable Energy Master Plan
REPG - Renewable Electricity Policy Guidelines
SDFI - State Direct Finance Investment
SDGs - Sustainable Development Goals
SEM - Structural Equation Modeling
SON - Standards Organization of Nigeria
SPV - Special Purpose Vehicle
TCN - Transmission Company of Nigeria
TRIPS - Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights
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