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## SUSTAINABLE TOURISM POLICY & PLANNING IN AFRICA

Drawing on carefully selected cases from across the sub-Saharan Africa and underpinned by sustainability related theories, **Sustainable Tourism Policy and Planning in Africa**, a volume co-edited by **Dr Albert Kimbu**, offers an up-to-date, accessible and understandable overview of how different dimensions of sustainability are integrated into tourism policy, planning and practice, and the inherent challenges involved in Sub-Saharan Africa.

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Until the outbreak of the COVID-19 pandemic, tourism growth was faster in Sub-Saharan Africa (SSA) and in many other developing regions compared to the rest of the world. However, it is only within the last two decades that the development of sustainable and achievable context-specific policies and planning mechanisms has become the norm in many SSA countries. Drawing on examples from different industries within the tourism sector in different country contexts across all regions of SSA, this volume reassesses context specific tourism policies and planning mechanisms in SSA over the years.

It considers how the increasing focus on sustainability is reflected in different areas of the tourism sector including food security, governance, human capital management, service delivery, local communities and heritage management, climate change, and the influence of colonial legacies on tourism policy planning. The different chapters provide snapshots of how different dimensions of sustainability are integrated into tourism policy and practice, and examine the extent to which these are shaping the present, and their implications for the future sustainability of the tourism sector.



## **FURTHER READING:**

Adu-Ampong A. E. & Kimbu N. A. (Eds) (2021). **Sustainable Tourism Policy and Planning in Africa**. 1st Edition, Routledge.

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Eight of the chapters were originally published as a special issue of *Tourism Planning and Development*. These are now complimented with a new introductory chapter and a concluding chapter that sets forth a future research agenda for sustainable tourism policy and planning. *Sustainable Tourism Policy and Planning in Africa* will be of great value to academics, public, private and third sector employees to better understand tourism policy and planning in Sub-Saharan Africa especially now and post COVID-19.