

EDITORIAL

**Special Issue - Advances in Africa's Tourism 2022**

This special issue of the Journal of Tourism and Development (Advances in Africa's Tourism 2022) called for papers on recent advances in Africa's tourism development, tourism management, tourism marketing, tourism economics, events tourism, sustainable tourism, etc. All submitted papers were subject to a double-blind review.

COVID-19 pandemic exerted significant business drawbacks on the global tourism industry, and the continent of Africa was not unsusceptible. Expressions such as tourism recovery, tourism resilience or tourism transformation, have been recently widely used to articulate the industry's response towards the pandemic's shocks and devastations. This special issue aimed to present recent scientific works that will help to manage the state of affairs in Africa's tourism, especially as domestic tourism is gaining much more importance post-COVID-19 scourges.

Papers published in this special issue reflect on multiple themes such as tourism destination image and competitiveness; literary and educational tourism; culinary tourism; tourism entrepreneurship; stakeholder involvement in rural and protected area tourism; and sport event tourism. All these themes attest to the critical role that domestic tourism must play towards tourism resilience.

As you read through the selection of articles published in this special issue, we hope that you will appreciate the scholars' contributions to advance scholarship in Africa's tourism development and management. For Africa as a region, fast-paced tourism growth requires focus and attention to reinforce strengths, harness emerging opportunities, overcome challenges, and address threats to inform improved policy and practice. Thus, supporting the tourism recovery, resilience, and transformation, within the regional tourism industry and its interface with the global tourism market.

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