THE DEPARTMENT OF RELIGION AND CULTURAL STUDIES, UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA, NSUKKA

ANNOUNCES HER 2021 INTERNATIONAL VIRTUAL CONFERENCE

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RELIGION, COVID-19 PANDEMIC AND THE CHALLENGES OF INSECURITY IN THE 21ST CENTURY

DATE: FEBRUARY 25 & 26, 2021

CONCEPT NOTE

The 21st century world is grappling with the issues of religion, COVID-19 and insecurity in different ways. Taken together, these issues have affected humanity negatively. The negative practice of religion, particularly, religious fanaticism, has become a global threat since it has led to the spiral of terrorism in almost all over the world, not to mention the havoc that COVID-19 has wrecked on humanity since its outbreak in December of 2019. These, in many ways, have created huge security challenges worldwide. In the context of Nigeria for example, insecurity has become a problem and keeps on worsening as days go by. This virtual conference therefore aims at bringing together scholars of different disciplines all over the world, and Africa in particular, to think and offer critical academic discussions on the issues of Religion, COVID-19 and Insecurity in the 21st century. Scholars are therefore called to submit their abstracts and full papers for the conference.

SUB-THEMES

- 1. Youth Protests and Security Challenges in Nigeria
- 2. Insecurity and the Nigerian Economy
- 3. Science, Terrorism and Global Economy
- 4. Terrorism, Banditry, Kidnapping and Human Security in Nigeria
- 5. COVID -19, Education and Security Challenges in Nigeria
- 6. COVID-19 and Politics in Africa
- 7. COVID-19 and Religions in Africa
- 8. COVID-19 and Gender-Based Violence
- 9. COVID-19 and Food Security
- 10. COVID-19 and Communal life in Africa
- 11. COVID -19 and World Economy
- 12. COVID-19, Climate Change and Environmental Sustainability
- 13. Religious Fanaticism and Global Insecurity in the 21st Century
- 14 And other related sub-themes

HOST

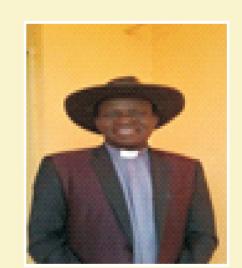
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