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EVENING PROGRAMME

MRI 517: REGIONALISM, DEMOCRACY AND DEVELOPMENT

Date: DECEMBER 2021

Duration: 3 Hours

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer Question ONE and any TWO Questions

Q1. What is regionalism? Briefly but clearly describe the History of regionalism in Africa. What was the motivation for regionalism in Africa? **(10 marks)**

The multiparty democratic wind of change which blew through the corridors of Africa since the late 1980s undoubtedly renewed the long-running debate about the relationship between democracy and development. Has multi-party democracy ensured better economic management in Africa? Why? What is/has been the missing link? **(20 marks)**

Q2. Critically examine the relationship between democratic governance and national development. Does regionalism guarantee democratic governance at national level of partner countries? **(15 marks)**

Q3. It can be said that, regionalism alone does not guarantee democracy and development but the quality of institutions. Explore the role of institutions, institutional building and legitimacy of institutions in the synergy between regionalism, democracy and development. **(15 marks)**

Q4. Briefly highlight and discuss the current issues in development of Africa. How can Africa leverage on regionalism to address the said issues to achieve its desired development agenda. **(15 marks)**

Q5. Regionalism has enhanced governance and economic development in Africa. With examples from the various African RECs, to what extent do you agree or disagree with statement and why? **(15 marks)**

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