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INSTITUTE FOR REGIONAL INTEGRATION AND DEVELOPMENT

EVENING PROGRAMME

**MRI 501: CONCEPTUAL AND THEORETICAL ISSUES IN REGIONAL
INTEGRATION**

Date: DECEMBER 2015

Duration: 3 Hours

**INSTRUCTIONS: Answer ALL Questions in SECTION A and ANY TWO
Questions in section B**

SECTION A

- Q1. Outline the stages of economic integration. **(25 marks)**
- Q2. Schiff and Winters (2003) have argued that countries in the 'South' – poor countries – have sought to use regional integration as a 'tool for development' Discuss this statement in relation to Africa's regional integration initiatives. **(25 marks)**

SECTION B

- Q3. Compare and contrast theories of functionalism and realism. **(25 marks)**
- Q4. At the heart of theoretical discourses on regional integration is the contentions debate over the place and role of the nation state in integration. Discuss the perspectives of the theories of neo-functionalism and inter-governmentalism on the role of the nation-state in regional integration. **(25 marks)**
- Q5. Briefly describe the following concepts of regional integration
- i Autarky
 - ii Common market

iii Monetary union

iv Political federation

v Customs union.

(25 marks)

Q6. Which political science approach to theory of regional integration adequately captures the mode of integration adopted by the East African Community (EAC)

(25 marks)

Q7. Many regional integration analysis claim that the post – cold war wave of regionalism has been inspired by the success story of the European Union (EU) integration. Discuss this claim.

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