

Foreword

This issue marks the sixth volume of the *Arusha Working Papers in African Linguistics*, an open-access journal founded in 2018 to make accessible the scholarship of African scholars on African language- and literature-related topics. We are pleased to acknowledge that this year's contributions foreground the more theoretical subfields of phonetics, morphology, and syntax alongside applied subjects like onomastics and pragmatics. To this end, the reader can 'visit' almost every part of the continent, as this volume highlights Kru, Bantu, and Indo-European languages spoken in western, southern, and eastern Africa. As always, we continue to expand our geographical, linguistic, and theoretical/applied scope and hope that you enjoy this year's contributions.

This volume begins with Ebitare F. Obikudo et al.'s phonetic treatment of affricate-rhotic clusters in Wobé, which is followed by two articles on Bantu morphosyntax. The former, written by Claudius P. Kihara, continues the author's work on Gĩkũyũ; the latter, written by Deo Ngonyani, offers a morphological account of Kikisi. Next, the volume shifts its focus toward onomastics in Namibia. The first, by Petrus A. Mbenzi et al., presents the means through which Christian names are adopted into Oshiwambo; the second, by Petrus A. Mbenzi alone, the ways that names are adopted into English. Finally, we conclude with a discussion of pragmatics through impoliteness strategies in the political arena in Nigeria, written by Ibitayo Olamide Oso.

We are also pleased to acknowledge that our continued outreach efforts have resulted in far more views on our website; a greater variety of submissions; more proactive, detailed reviews for authors; and citations of our previously published work. Moreover, we continue to expand our mailing list and indexation endeavors, in addition to laying the groundwork for access to our website in languages other than English alone. To advance such efforts, we would like to continue to encourage you to submit your own scholarship for publication and to reach out to your colleagues and/or junior-level researchers who would benefit from the hands-on process found through our peer-review process.

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