



THE BORDERLINES OF RULE OF LAW, GOOD GOVERNANCE AND
SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT: A DISCOURSE

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ABSTRACT

Governance embraces all the methods that societies employ to distribute power and manage public resources and deal with problems. This paper treats the concepts of rule of law, good governance/democracy and sustainable development as they applied more specifically to the African context. The paper examined the various definitions given by various authors, writers and international organisations to the three concepts, the interface of good governance and democracy and the relationship amongst the three terms. The paper further discussed the steps taken so far to promote the rule of law and sustainable development and the needs for compliance and enforcement various laws and regulations to guarantee 'rule of law, governance and democracy and sustainable development' and treats one of the greatest challenges "corruption" confronting rule of law, good governance and sustainable development in Africa.

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