

ENERGY BEYOND OIL IN AFRICA

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ABSTRACT

The paper examines the energy production from oil in Africa. It discovers that oil is the commanding height and central in driving African economies. Oil has made Africa relevant in international relations. Nations have fallen on each other or rather politics of must Nations especially Africa is pitted on oil. But the question that raises the 'blood pressure' of African states is that one day the oil will finish. Then what would be the fate of the economies of Africa that is sustained by oil? The answer lies on the fact that coal was the source of power of the past, oil is the source of power of the moment while hydro-electric power, solar, wind, nuclear, geothermal, biofuel among others are sources of energy for the future. There is still hope and Africa has a bright future in the energy supply and consumption. With modern scientific discoveries, whichever way Africa would not be wanting in energy pendulum of the world political economy. The paper concludes that other sources of energy would sustain Africa when petroleum oil dries up. Materials for this work are from the secondary sources, and interdisciplinary approach was adopted using analytical methodology.