

Manuscript: "Examining Motivation and Perception of Visitors at Lekki Conservation Centre (LCC) in Nigeria"

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The title is wordy and mouthful. I would recommend that the title reads: Examining motivation and perception of visitors at Lekki Conservation Centre (LCC) in Nigeria. By paraphrasing, the title becomes succinct and clear. The title is so much about behavioral intentions and not about perception.

# 2. The abstract clearly presents objects, methods and results.

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(Please insert your comments) there are several weaknesses on the abstract but most importantly, the methodology is not clear. It just mentions that SPSS will be used to carry descriptive and inferential statistics. These are too general.

What do the authors mean by the statement that respondents were selected randomly?

## 3. There are few grammatical errors and spelling mistakes in this article.

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(Please insert your comments) there are several grammatical errors. This calls for the authors to send the manuscript to a serious and professional English language editor.

#### 4. The study methods are explained clearly.

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(Please insert your comments)

Instead of describing the methods, the section begins with description of the study area. The section is too brief as if the section is not all that important.

# 5. The body of the paper is clear and does not contain errors.

3

(Please insert your comments)

- There are several errors. The study relies on 2016, statistics in building the case. This is very old. Almost every year new statistics are provided.
- Fact: nature based tourism is not a new phenomenon. It has been with us for many years.

# 6. The conclusions or summary are accurate and supported by the content.

3

(Please insert your comments)

Not clear. The conclusion is not derived from the findings and therefore leaves a lot to be desired. For instance, on the very first sentence of the conclusion it reads:

Concludes that the site has enough attractions to attract visitors especially the Canopy walkway which is the longest canopy walkway in Africa. This is a the conclusion that was not part of what the researchers set out to study.

#### 7. The references are comprehensive and appropriate.

(Please insert your comments)

*The references are comprehensive, but the presentation is not consistent.* 

- 1. 31(3), 657–681.
- 2. Vol. 19 No. 2, pp. 86-93.

One sees these inconsistencies throughout the document's reference list.

#### **Overall Recommendation** (mark an X with your recommendation):

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Accepted, minor revision needed	X
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- 1. The gap that motivated the authors to undertake this study is not very clear. There is no adequate motivation for the study.
- 2. The title needs rephrasing as suggested or in any other way that is appropriate.
- 3. The presentation of the findings and their discussions need to be more focused on the thrust of the study.
- 4. The presentation and discussion of the findings on the tables can be improved further.
- 5. The titles of the tables are not consistent with the contents.

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(Please insert your comments)  Policy implications are not mentioned at the end of the abstract		
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Conclusion part to be aligned to the objectives clearly		
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