

Paper: “The Morocco-Nigeria BIT: An Important contribution to Ensuring the Accountability of TNCs for Their Human Rights Violations?”

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Peer review:

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Reviewer 3: Blinded

Reviewer D:
Recommendation: Revisions Required

The TITLE is clear and it is adequate to the content of the article.

Yes the title is absolutely clear and adequate to the content.

The ABSTRACT clearly presents objects, methods, and results.

The abstract identifies the most important topics of the article, namely the objects and results. No methodology is mentioned and this could be reviewed.

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

No grammatical errors and spelling mistakes were detected.

The study METHODS are explained clearly.

There is no mention of the methodology used for the research. This circumstance could surely be overcome since it is one of the basic requirements of the publication.

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

The main contents are clear.

The CONCLUSION or summary is accurate and supported by the content.

In the conclusions, the author considers that the agreement between Morocco and Nigeria analyzed could be tailored to fit other investment agreements.

The list of REFERENCES is comprehensive and appropriate.

References are pertinent and up to date.

Please rate the TITLE of this paper.

[Poor] 1-5 [Excellent]

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Please rate the ABSTRACT of this paper.

[Poor] **1-5** [Excellent]

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Please rate the LANGUAGE of this paper.

[Poor] **1-5** [Excellent]

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Please rate the METHODS of this paper.

[Poor] **1-5** [Excellent]

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Please rate the BODY of this paper.

[Poor] **1-5** [Excellent]

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Please rate the CONCLUSION of this paper.

[Poor] **1-5** [Excellent]

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Please rate the REFERENCES of this paper.

[Poor] **1-5** [Excellent]

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Overall Recommendation!!!

Accepted, minor revision needed

Comments and Suggestions to the Author(s):

Reviewer F:
Recommendation: Revisions Required

The TITLE is clear and it is adequate to the content of the article.

The title of the manuscript reflects its content.

The ABSTRACT clearly presents objects, methods, and results.

The abstract correctly retains the objective, theme, method of investigation and research results.

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

It would be good for the manuscript to be read by a native English speaker.

The study METHODS are explained clearly.

The method used is appropriate to the topic approached.

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

The results are relevant.

The CONCLUSION or summary is accurate and supported by the content.

The conclusions of the manuscript are based on the investigation carried out.

The list of REFERENCES is comprehensive and appropriate.

Given that the BIT - 2016 (Morocco-Nigeria Bilateral Investment Treaty) represents a critical act not only for the relations between the two countries, but also for the international community, this treaty was approached from a scientific point of view by researchers in the field of human rights, in the field economic-financial, but also in the field of international relations. It was studied by researchers from the vicinity (Africa), but also by some from Europe, Brazil, etc. Therefore, a negative aspect of the current manuscript is the fact that it did not retain some significant studies in the "literature review":

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the Reform of Investment Treaties. *Investment Treaty News*, 8(3), 3-4.
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Bas, M. (2022). Back to sovereignty? Policy space in investor-State dispute settlement. *Revista Brasileira de Política Internacional*, 65.
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Please rate the ABSTRACT of this paper.

[Poor] **1-5** [Excellent]

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Please rate the LANGUAGE of this paper.

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Please rate the METHODS of this paper.

[Poor] **1-5** [Excellent]

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Please rate the BODY of this paper.

[Poor] **1-5** [Excellent]

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Please rate the CONCLUSION of this paper.

[Poor] 1-5 [Excellent]

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Please rate the REFERENCES of this paper.

[Poor] 1-5 [Excellent]

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Overall Recommendation!!!

Accepted, minor revision needed

Comments and Suggestions to the Author(s):

Review to „The Morocco-Nigeria BIT: An important contribution to ensuring the accountability of TNCs for their human rights violations?“ manuscript

1. Positive aspects

"The Morocco-Nigeria BIT: An important contribution to ensuring the accountability of TNCs for their human rights violations?" manuscript is located as topic in the area of interest of „European Scientific Journal“.

This manuscript has an actual and interesting research idea. The abstract presents objects, methods and results. This manuscript has substantial, special merits in terms of practical impact.

2. Negative aspect

Given that the BIT - 2016 (Morocco-Nigeria Bilateral Investment Treaty) represents a critical act not only for the relations between the two countries, but also for the international community, this treaty was approached from a scientific point of view by researchers in the field of human rights, in the field economic-financial, but also in the field of international relations. It was studied by researchers from the vicinity (Africa), but also by some from Europe, Brazil, etc. Therefore, a negative aspect of the current manuscript is the fact that it did not retain some significant studies in the "literature review":

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3. Conclusion

This manuscript requires minor completion:
completing the bibliography.

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Reviewer G:

Recommendation: Revisions Required

The TITLE is clear and it is adequate to the content of the article.

The title is clear, but the use of acronyms in the title should be avoided.

The ABSTRACT clearly presents objects, methods, and results.

The abstract is clear

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

The manuscript is well written

The study METHODS are explained clearly.

A method section could be added at the end of the manuscript

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

The body of the paper is clear

The CONCLUSION or summary is accurate and supported by the content.

The conclusion is accurate

The list of REFERENCES is comprehensive and appropriate.

The list of referencee is fine. Perhaps, the author could enrich the description of the state-of-the-art with more references

Please rate the TITLE of this paper.

[Poor] **1-5** [Excellent]

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Please rate the ABSTRACT of this paper.

[Poor] **1-5** [Excellent]

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Overall Recommendation!!!

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Comments and Suggestions to the Author(s):

The title should avoid acronym. The list of references could be enriched. A methodology section could be added.
