

Paper: “From Silence to Social Awakening: Exploring the Personal Trajectories of Activists in Morocco's Post-Arab Spring Movements”

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Reviewer A:
Recommendation: Accept Submission

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

The title of the article is clearly and appropriately aligned with the content of the article.

The ABSTRACT clearly presents objects, methods, and results.

The abstract effectively outlines the objectives, methodologies, and findings. It provides a clear and concise summary of the study.

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

The article is free from grammatical errors and spelling mistakes.

The study METHODS are explained clearly.

The methodology of the study is articulated with clarity. The explanation of the study methods is thorough and easily comprehensible.

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

The main body of the paper is coherent, logically structured, and devoid of grammatical, factual errors, thus ensuring clarity and accuracy in its presentation.

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

The conclusion or summary is precise and well-supported by the content.

The list of REFERENCES is comprehensive and appropriate.

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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.

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Please rate the CONCLUSION of this paper.

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Overall Recommendation!!!

Accepted, minor revision needed

Comments and Suggestions to the Author(s):

Reviewer B:

Recommendation: Revisions Required

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

Yes

The ABSTRACT clearly presents objects, methods, and results.

The abstract does not have results, conclusion, and recommendations. It will be better if this information is included.

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

It is better to read and re-read the work and if possible, allow a professional editor to work on the paper before sending it to a journal for publication.

The study METHODS are explained clearly.

The method used is more historical than scientific. It would have been better if the latter is more applied.

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

The results are biased based on the history of people used in the paper.

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

I am ok with this.

The list of REFERENCES is comprehensive and appropriate.

I am ok with this also.

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Reviewer T:

Recommendation: Revisions Required

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

The article's title expresses the spirit of the things written in the article.
The subtitles are also relevant and exciting.

The ABSTRACT clearly presents objects, methods, and results.

Yes, overall, the summary is good.

I recommend explaining the main conclusions that emerged from the study. And sharpen it by using the life stories of five activists in social movements in Marocco.

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

English is not my native language, so it is difficult for me to determine if there are any notable mistakes. The writing of the article was fluent and understandable.

The study METHODS are explained clearly.

I recommend adding a reference to the criteria for which the activists were selected. Did the researchers encounter any problems during the study? What criteria were chosen to analyze the interviews?

There is a lack of reference to gender aspects, why women were not selected for this study.

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

The writing of this part is eloquent. However, it was necessary to present more information about the characters' backgrounds and connect this background, for

example, education, residential location, ideology, and social and political activity. Connect this section with the previous team on the organizations. The article will be presented in sequence: the organization and the activist's experience.

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

The summary is very short. It presents the main results but without connecting them to the theoretical literature or explaining them. There is almost no discussion of other studies that have dealt with the same subject.

See, for example:

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Abadi, H. (2014). Gendering the February 20th movement: Moroccan women redefining: Boundaries, identities and resistances. *CyberOrient*, 8(1), 7-25.

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The current list is fine.

However, it is necessary to add studies that provide a theoretical background on the studied phenomenon.

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Errazzouki, S. (2016). Working-class women revolt: gendered political economy in Morocco. In *Gender, women and the Arab Spring* (pp. 129-138). Routledge.

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Overall Recommendation!!!

Accepted, minor revision needed

Comments and Suggestions to the Author(s):

The article deals with a relevant and vital topic for studying protest movements. It is written eloquently and excitingly. However, the introduction should be thickened, and

theoretical background and conceptualizations related to political and social protest should be presented.

I proposed changes in the article's structure to unite the part that refers to the movements with the personal experience of each of the activists.

In the summary, the author should present in-depth insights into the phenomenon.
