



Ihafa: A Journal of African Studies

Editor

Folurunṣo Ilori

Production Editors

Abiodun Bello

Ibironkẹ Adubiario

Editorial Board

Oladiipo Ajiboye

Ayo Yusuff

Osita Nwagbo

Iwu Ikwubuzo

Oladele Orimoogunje

Deji Medubi

Editorial Advisers

Prof. Muyiwa Falaiye, *University of Lagos*

Prof. Olanike Orié, *Tulane University*

Prof. G. O. Simiren, *University of Lagos*

Prof. A. Akinyemi, *University of Florida*

Prof. L. O. Adewole, *Obafemi Awolowo Univ.*

Prof. O. Awobuluyi, *Adekunle Ajasin Univ.*

Prof. A. H. Amfani, *Usman Dan Fodio Univ.*

Prof. C. U. Ogbulogo, *Covenant University*

Prof. Michael Abiodun, *Ekiti State Univ.*

Prof. G. S. Omachonu, *Nassarawa State Univ.*

Editorial Policy

Ihafa is a double blind peer-review journal published annually by the Department of Linguistics, African and Asian Studies, Faculty of Arts, University of Lagos, Nigeria. It is devoted to publishing high quality scholarly works on Linguistics, African Languages, Literatures, and Cultures. Submission of a paper to *Ihafa* will be taken to imply that it represents original work not previously published, and not being considered elsewhere for publication, and that if accepted for publication, such paper will not be published elsewhere without the consent of the editor. All correspondence and contributions should be sent to the editor at the following e-mail address: lihafa@unilag.edu.ng / filori@unilag.edu.ng.

Subscription

Subscription prices are N1,500 for individuals and N3,000 for Institutions within Nigeria. Subscriptions within Africa are \$25.00 for individuals and \$50.00 for institutions. Subscriptions outside Africa are \$35.00 for individuals and \$50.00 for Institutions. All rates are inclusive of the cost of postage for individuals and institutions outside Nigeria.

Department of Linguistics, African and Asian Studies

University of Lagos, Nigeria

Ihafa
A Journal of African Studies

Ihafa: A Journal of African Studies

Volume 8 Number 2

December 2016

Friday Aworawo	Nigeria and ECOWAS since 1999: Continuity and Change in Multilateralism and Conflict Resolution 1 - 16
KọlawọleAdeniyi	An Outline of Ìgáṣi Tone System 17 - 35
AlabaAkinwotu	Rhetoric in Selected Speeches of Ọbafemi Awolọwọ and Moshood Abiọla 36 - 58
Constantine Yuka & Osaigbovo Evbuomwan	On the Reality of the Adjectival Category in Edo 57 - 76
Ayodele Shotunde, Chiedozie Okoro, & Godwin Azenabor	An Analysis of the Nature of Spirit in Ifa Literary Corpus 77 - 107
Oluwafẹmi Bamigbade	Language Shift and Lexical Merger: a Case Study of Ilàjẹ and Apọi 108-123
Fọlọrunṣọ Ilọri	Categorial Status of Yoruba Attributive Modifiers 124 - 152
Adeiza Isiaka	De-evolution of Urban Markedness in Nigerian English Accent(s) 153 - 170
EvaristaIkoyo-Eweto	Lexical Derivation Strategies in Esan 171-186
Isaiah Aluya	<i>Still in the Woods</i> : a Stylistic Reading of Osundare's Essays 187 - 208
Obiageri Solomon-Etefia	A Pragma-Semiotic Analysis of <i>Ikọ Aka n'uzọ</i> (Knocking-on-the-Door) Traditional Marriage Ceremony of Awgbu in Igboland 209 - 228

Department of Linguistics, African, and Asian Studies
University of Lagos, Nigeria

Ihafa: A Journal of African Studies
Volume 8 Number 2 December 2016

All rights reserved. No reproduction, copy, or transmission of this publication may be made without written permission

University of Lagos
Akoka, Lagos, Nigeria
Website: <http://www.unilag.edu.ng>

ISSN: 1117-5257