

Fall 2016 Editorial

Osondi Owendi (triumph and heartbreak). This is how an Igbo-American describes the mood of the American people after yesterday's presidential election which ushers in Donald Trump into the White House. Television loud-mouths got it wrong in their predictions including Larry Sabato, the so-called expert in American national politics. American government has changed forever and it is still too soon to feel its effects.

In this post-electoral edition, we publish two pivotal peer-reviewed essays. Uniquely, Curtis Smith takes up a discussion of his perspective on the work of Morteza Ardebili, a highly revered scholar and former Provost of KCKCC. Morteza has developed a seemingly viable method for evaluating the three competing philosophies under study. His heuristic is called the Structure of Scientific Practice.

Ewa Unoke's work is radical and unapologetic. "This essay explores three bloody but epochal phases in West Africa's political transitions with the objective to reconcile and heal a terribly fractured past and to determine why the Euro-American transitional justice model has failed in the region." One peer-reviewer comments, "You have chosen an attractive title...your paper deals with an issue I believe is very relevant to...transitional justice in West Africa...but..." Another comments, "There are a lot of interesting points made in this paper...but..." Enjoy the essays, as we look forward to a new American future recreated with a conservative ideology in the White House, Senate and House of Representatives. America has changed!!

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