

INSTITUTIONAL PRESENTATION NOTE

Journal of African Geopolitics, Governance and Security (JAGGS)

(An academic Journal of Alafarika for Studies and Consultancy)

1. General presentation

As part of its mission to promote research, expertise and the production of strategic knowledge on the African continent, **Alafarika for Studies and Consultancy** lance an international academic journal, multilingual and peer-reviewed, **specialized in the fields of African geopolitics, governance, and security.**

This journal constitutes a structuring tool to strengthen the scientific visibility of African research, encourage dialogue between researchers and practitioners, and contribute to the development of public policies based on rigorous and contextualized analyses.

2. Context and justification

The African continent is facing complex and multidimensional challenges: persistent armed conflicts, terrorism and violent extremism, governance crises, fragile political transitions, regional and international geopolitical reconfigurations, as well as new threats related to climate change, migration and digital technologies.

If institutional reports and economic analyses are numerous, there is still a deficit of structured African academic journals, multilingual and meeting international standards, capable of articulating: scientific rigor, knowledge of the terrain and strategic and political relevance.

The journals of **Alafarika** respond to this need by positioning itself as a space for the production, validation and dissemination of African scientific knowledge, **open to comparative and interdisciplinary approaches.**

3. Vision and mission

Vision: to become a **leading African academic journal**, recognized internationally for the quality of its analyses in geopolitics, governance and security.

Mission

- Produce and disseminate original and high-level scientific research on Africa.
- Promote exchanges between academics, experts, policymakers and practitioners.
- Promote African perspectives in global academic debates.
- Contribute to the development of research-informed public policies.

4. Thematic fields

The journal covers in particular:

- African geopolitics and regional dynamics,
- governance, the State and public policies,
- security, armed conflicts and peace,
- terrorism, radicalization and the prevention of violent extremism,
- African regional organizations and international cooperation,

- cross-cutting issues: gender, youth, climate, digital and security.

5. Target audience

The journal is mainly aimed at:

- researchers and academics,
- PhD students and postdocs,
- experts, consultants and practitioners.
- political and diplomatic decision-makers,
- think tanks and international organizations.

6. Organization and editorial governance

The journal is structured around a clear and transparent editorial organization, including:

- a scientific direction,
- an editorial committee,
- a scientific committee
- international advisory.

It operates according to rules formalised in the detailed Guide for authors, the Ethical Charter and editorial policy and the Rules of procedure.

7. Scientific quality and ethics

The journal applies in a double-blind peer review, strict standards against plagiarism, principles of scientific integrity and academic independence, also, a clear policy of corrections and retractions. The articles published commit only their authors and respect academic freedom.

8. Languages and accessibility

- Languages of publication: **English, French and Arabic**. With multilingual summaries encouraged. Also, in open access, **promoting a wide dissemination of scientific knowledge**.

9. Periodicity and dissemination

The publication is **semi-annual during the launch phase. In digital publication via a dedicated academic platform. Endowed with a DOI assignment for each item.**

A progressive indexing strategy is planned (Google Scholar, AJOL, DOAJ, then international databases).

10. Institutional added value

The journal allows **Alafarika to consolidate its positioning as a pan-African academic and strategic actor**, structuring a network of researchers and experts, strengthen the scientific impact of its work and contribute sustainably to African and international debates on security and governance.

Through this academic journal, **Alafarika** intends to offer a credible, inclusive and rigorous platform dedicated to the production and dissemination of strategic knowledge on Africa. It is part of a long-term dynamic aimed at strengthening African scientific excellence and its international influence.