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Biography/Memoirs

A Journey : My Life, Speeches and Writings / Juma Volter Mwapachu Dar es Salaam: E&D Vision Publishing, 2023 640p. 9789976579444 \$ 100.00/ HB 1078gm.

Juma Volter Mwapachu (JV) has gifted us with a truly remarkable autobiography wherein he has introduced all of us to himself, his family, friends and colleagues in a compendium spanning seven decades and touching on many important personal, societal, national, regional and international events and processes. We are thus introduced to the antecedents of his family, from his clan's origins among the Wadigo ethnic group of present-day Kenya, to his grandchildren, passing through the indefatigable activism of father Hamza Kibwana and deeply caring mother Juliana Volter, to his own children and their no-nonsense mother, Rose Omari. It is a steady and engaging account of a life full of effervescence, excitement, and stellar achievements, including the heady pre-independence days when Father Hamza and other nationalist colleagues were identifying and moulding a younger Julius Nyerere as a vital force in the nascent independence movement, to JV's own development into a critical part player in national and regional political and diplomatic interventions that have left indelible marks. JV pays glowing tributes to those who he encountered in life and who have gone before him leaving him with deep emotions of irreparable loss, notably his beloved elder brother Harith Bakari-- evidently his soulmate and lifelong confidante, who leaps from the pages of this book as a sorely missed presence. Others include his younger brother Wendo Mtega, his son Harith-- gone way too early-- and older colleagues, Amon James Nsekela, and Reginald Abraham Mengi, as well as his illustrious brother-in-law, Mark Danhi Bomani. Vivid accounts of these personages afford the reader an appreciation of the strong filial and professional ties that the author entertained with those who were close to him and who immensely impacted his life. The reader also gets a taste of the special relationship JV had with J K Nyerere, who treated him as a doting father would treat a son, no less. These are flesh-and-blood pages written by a real person about real persons. They provide a peek into the colourful life of one of the most interesting Tanzanians - the future chief executive of the East African Community was at one stage a cop! -- who went hither and thither, basically leading a memorable life and teaching as much as learning, all along clearly enjoying every moment to the full. 'My Journey' is truly an unputdownable book -informative, reflective and at times hilarious. I declare it must-read. - Jenerali Ulimweng http://www.marvmartin.com/web?pid=856290

Joan Wicken : A Lifelong Collaboration with Mwalimu Nyerere / Aili Mari Tripp (Foreword) Anna Mwansasu Special Edition Dar es Salaam: Mkuki Nyota Publishers Ltd, 2023 232p. 9789987753857 \$ 35.00 / PB 134gm.

Many people have wondered about the life-long relationship between Joan Wicken and Julius Nyerere, Tanzania's stalwart and founding president. This book provides the first in-depth window into the life of this British woman, who was in many ways Nyerere's staunchest and most loyal supporter. She was his personal assistant, speechwriter, confidant, sounding board, and friend.

Finally in her own words, Wicken tells us about getting to know Nyerere and their decades' long collaboration. Readers will find out how she came to play such a significant role in Nyerere's life and, in essence, the building of Tanzania. She tells us much about the man as a person and how he experienced events in the country after Independence and leading up to his death.

In this interview with Aili Mari Tripp, Wicken talks about her early life and how she became Nyerere's personal assistant. Tripp shows us a side of Joan Wicken that very few would have seen. Her wit and dry humour is on display as she discuss the Mwalimu she served for almost 40 years and the country she called home for most of her adult life.

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Economics

Africa Magufuli and Change : An Integrated Approach in Abolishing Africa's Modern Economic Slavery / Malango Chinthenga Tanzania: Skillsway Books, 2023 490p. 9725272730706 \$ 75.00/ PB 892gm. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=856294

Oil and Gas in Tanzania : How It All Started / Sylvester Barongo Dar es Salaam: Mkuki na Nyota Publishers Ltd, 2023 xvi, 134p. ; 229x152mm. 9789987084753 \$ 25.00 / PB 196gm.

Meet the Founder of Tanzania Petroleum Development Corporation (TPDC) as he takes you on a journey through his career in the oil and gas sector, and how important events and wars in the industry impacted Tanzania in the 1970s. He describes the actual events on the field, the challenges faced from the founding of TPDC to the beginning of exploration in Tanzania, the global trans- formation of oil and gas in real time, how it was dealt with, and how the Tanzanian economy has benefited greatly from the gas discovered during his tenure. Mr. Barongo presents an honest account of why various actions were made despite the fact that the outcome was unpredictable. The government trusted him and his strong team because of their faith, confidence, and belief, and they were left alone to make the vital decisions that led to Tanzania's oil and gas boom. Since then, Tanzania has attracted a slew of investors looking to engage in oil and gas, including the current Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) project, which is valued at \$30 billion. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=856296

Law

Harmonization of Cybercrimes Legal Frameworks Within the East African Community / (Eds) Majamba, H.I & Mwiburi, A.J. Dar es Salaam: University of Dar-es-Salaam School of Law, University of Dar-es-Salaam, 2020 xviii, 158p. Includes Bibliography 9789976563504 \$ 45.00/ PB 270gm.

The development of a harmonized legislative framework in as far as regional integration is concerned is fundamental in order to maximize the benefits and potential of generating economic development gains for Members States. The study that led to this publication was prompted by, among others issues, the fact that despite initiatives and directives of the relevant organs of the East Africa Community (EAC), Member States have continued to experience challenges in harmonizing their legislative frameworks in order to combat cybercrimes in their jurisdictions. The study focused on select countries in the EAC. The chapters herein bring to the fore the extent to which these States have harmonized their legal, policy and institutional frameworks on cybercrimes as required by the Treaty Establishing the EAC. Factors that have made it difficult for the States to harmonize their legislative framework in line with the EAC call have also analyzed. The overall findings reveal that States are at different levels in terms of harmonizing the cybercrime related laws to reflect the EAC directive. It has also noted that different challenges still abound. Common ones relate to lack of funds and existence of a multitude of uncoordinated institutions dealing with cybercrimes. Conflicting and duplication of mandates and lack of clear understanding by personnel charged with enforcement of cybercrimes in the select States have also been noted.

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