

Opening the curtains: Religion, African Customary Law and the state in Sub-Saharan Africa. Challenges of indigenization of liberation and contextualization of spirituality.

The paper will look at the perspectives in which the concept of 'Religion' is used in relation to the perceived role that it played in the liberation of South Africa. In drawing up the Constitution, which is the Supreme Law of the country, it will be important to draw some parallels between the indigenous law of the people of the land and the 'new' Supreme law of the country which is supposedly inclusive of all the people who stay in the country. Some few policies aiming at implementing the Bill of Rights in the Country's Constitution will be briefly analysed so as to assess if they are in favour of the Customary law of the country and whether they actually fulfill the holistic liberation of the oppressed.