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The book analyses the Keiyo–Tugen (KETU) indigenous communities’ peace pact as a model of successful peace agreement that has led to sustainable peace among neighbouring ethnic communities in Sub-Saharan Africa. The book outlines factors responsible for the establishment of sustainable peace between two communities who had a history of bitter rivalry and conflict over resources. Through analysis of the communities’ indigenous political and social systems, the book reveals the causes of conflicts and KETU’s indigenous peace management systems.

The study found that the KETU peace pact was based on very strong shared communal values, norms, traditions, religion, and taboos which were acquired by all members of the community through socialization. The peace pact involved rituals and oaths which had deep meanings for the communities and was renewed periodically to coincide with age set cycles and when need arose. The study recommends some aspects of the indigenous KETU peace management practices to be incorporated into contemporary peace structures.

The book is recommended for Social Science Researchers and Practitioners, University students in Education and Social Sciences and Administrators in Government and Non-Governmental Organizations.

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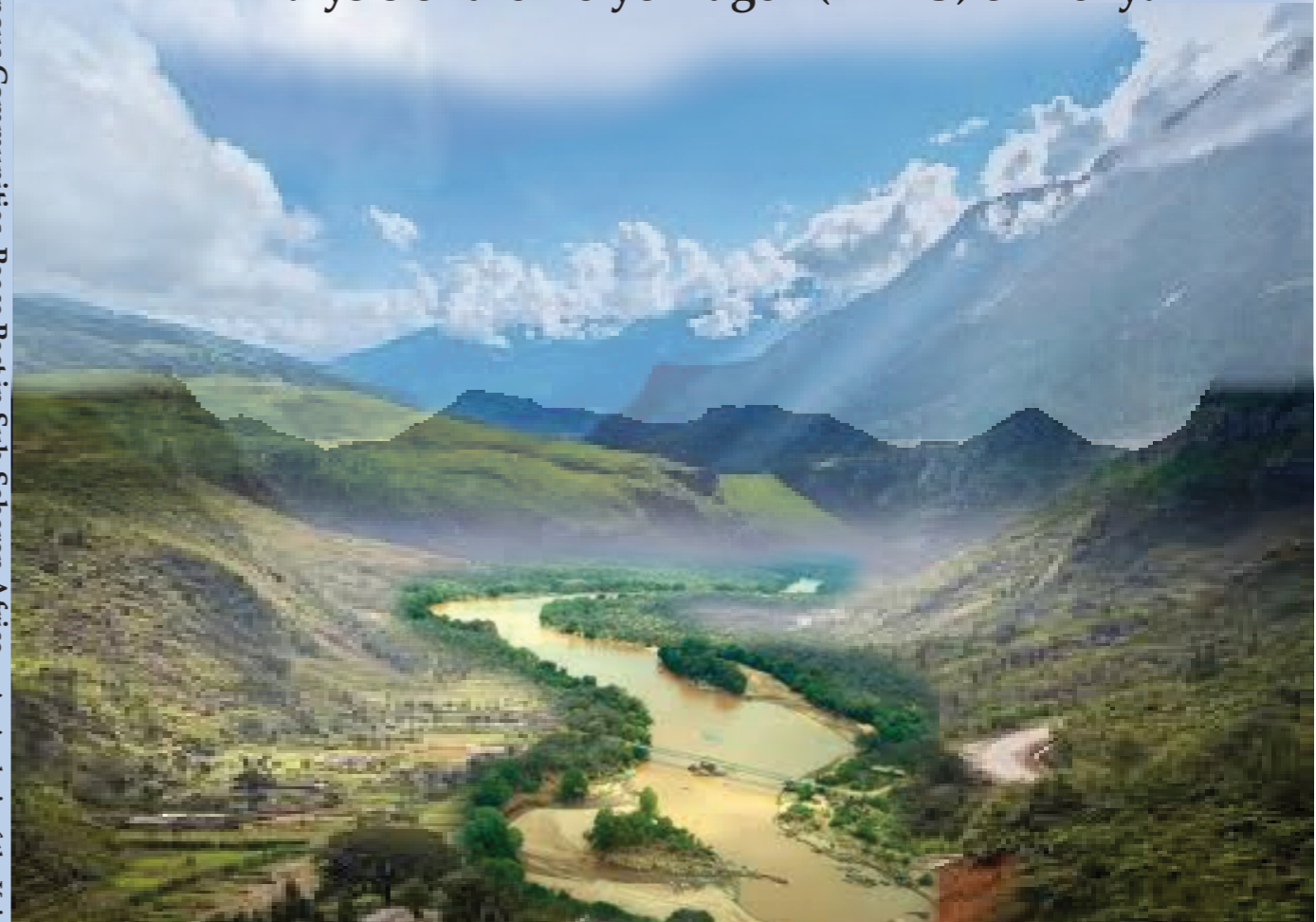
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