Gender studies have not received great attention in Africa as has been the case in other parts of the world. There is still shortage of relevant books and research materials on gender in Africa, and students and staff in African Universities are made to do with very few materials. This book *Gender and Sustainable Development in Africa* seeks to fill this veritable academic gap. Lack of relevant materials has created ambivalence and serious lapses in understanding of the subject and creates all manner of interpretations of the subject of gender. Gender is often conflated with women and feminist studies by the uninitiated, leading to dislocation and confusion in the African academy. The chapters in this book demonstrate that gender studies should be about the efforts and activities of men and women in society placed in a comparative matrix in order to understand what each contributes to societal development or underdevelopment, in order to improve. The chapters provide extra lenses and parameters in understanding gendered development on the continent. Many experts such as interdisciplinary and multidisciplinary researchers, policy formulators and makers, development experts, research students as well as scholars of gender and development will find this book useful. The chapters provide useful and new knowledge which should be able to assist societies in mainstreaming and narrowing gaps in development between men and women.

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