

# Editorial

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Dear esteemed readers,

Huria, Journal of The Open University of Tanzania, has come of age. Its popularity is spreading fast - partly because of its flexibility in publishing articles of diverse themes and the unwavering support it gets from the management of The Open University of Tanzania. This encouraging success story of Huria Journal comes at a time when Journal publishing in Tanzania is passing through difficult times - mainly due to financial constraints facing many research and academic institutions in Tanzania, leading to several journals failing to meet printing and other associated costs.

In addition, other factors such as lack of publishing culture among the learned community and lack of motivation to reviewers and editors exacerbate the problem. It is my hope that the recently launched Consortium of Academic Publishers (CAP) will address these problems and come up with solutions to improve the current situation of Journal publishing in Tanzania.

I am happy that the Editorial Board of Huria Journal has come out again with this Volume 20 which covers a wide range of interesting themes including environmental sciences, health and gender issues, agricultural economics, an overview of transnational crimes and what basic education should achieve.

Dear readers, I hope you will enjoy reading articles published in this issue and continue to contribute articles to this Journal.

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