

CONGO RIVER AND ITS CHALLENGES

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ABSTRACT

Europeans entry into the Central African region had been through the tracks of slave trafficking and most especially by waterways of which the most important was the Congo River in the east. The Direct contact between the European colonial powers and African societies would make Central Africa one challenge of these powers in competition of which the Congo River will play the leading role in the future of this region. Policies and strategies were applied for monitoring and submitting called inferior races and the possession of their lands while ensuring the benefits and economic interests that had called each of their colonies. The Congo River remains a natural geographic data of great importance both for the economic development in trade and transport of goods, as in the sub-regional and regional integration throughout Central Africa.

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