

The editors have chosen work by a wide range of African scholars to explain the roots, routes, regimes and resolution of African conflicts and how to re-build post-conflict societies. The contributors offer sober and serious analyses, avoiding the sensationalism of the western media and the Afropessimism of some of the scholars in the global North. The search for peace is too important to be left to outsiders, however well intentioned. The editors find it encouraging to see that a growing number of African scholars are interested in exploring and engaging with this crucial subject.