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BACHELOR OF SCIENCE HONORS DEGREE IN PUBLISHING

PART I SECOND SEMESTER JULY 2011 SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATIONS

IPU 1201 PUBLISHING STUDIES II: THE BOOK SECTOR IN AFRICA

TIME: 3 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- 1. ANSWER QUESTION 1 AND ANY THREE OTHER QUESTIONS.
- 2. QUESTION 1 CARRIES 40 MARKS AND OTHER QUESTIONS CARRY 20 MARKS EACH.
- 3. IMPORTANCE IS ATTACHED TO ACCURACY, CLARITY AND LEGIBLE HANDWRITING.
- 1. Compare and contrast the book developments after independence in:
 - a) Anglophone Africa,
 - b) Francophone Africa, and
 - c) Lusophone Africa giving examples.

[40 Marks]

- 2. African upcoming publishers face many formidable obstacles and challenges in establishing their businesses in the publishing industry. Evaluate the entry barriers and challenges that characterise the industry.
- 3. Walter Bgoya contends that "Behind the backwardness of the publishing industry in Africa is a history of inappropriate ...policies". Critique this view.
- 4. Discuss the effect that the following aspects have on sustainable book development, production and marketing in Africa:
 - a) Donor support
 - b) Financial constraints
 - c) Management and staff skills
 - d) Plans and strategies.
- 5. Compare and contrast the sources of funding available to African publishers and related book industries. Use examples from Anglophone and Francophone Africa.

6. Evaluate the challenges and /or threats to sustainable book development in Africa and discuss the collective efforts that have been made in trying to overcome them, giving examples.

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