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This book brings together a collection of Hon. Prof. Kariuki Muigua's papers under the theme: 'Delivering Justice for Sustainability'.

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He was appointed as a member of the Protem Committee for the Asian International Arbitration Centre (Malaysia) (AIAC) Court of Arbitration. Chambers and Partners Global Guide 2024 ranked him in Band 1 of Dispute Resolution (Arbitrators), the ranking which recognizes the Top 6 Arbitrators in Kenya noting that he is "highly recommended as a leading lawyer". He was awarded the 'Academic Champion of ADR' at the inaugural Women in ADR Awards 2024. He was also awarded the Outstanding Mentor Award by his mentees

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in recognition of his guidance, care and support. He was recognized and awarded for his role as the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CIArb) Africa Trustee from 2019 to 2022 by CIArb Kenya Branch at the CIArb Kenya Branch ADR Excellence Awards 2022. Chambers and Partners Global Guide 2023 ranked him in Band 1 of Dispute Resolution (Arbitrators), the ranking which recognizes the Top 6 Arbitrators in Kenya noting that he is "highly recommended as a leading lawyer". His book, Settling Disputes through Arbitration in Kenya,4th Edition; Glenwood publishers 2022, was awarded the Publication of the Year Award 2022 by CIArb Kenya Branch at the CIArb Kenya Branch ADR Excellence Awards 2022. He is the winner of ADR Practitioner of the Year Award at the AfAA Awards 2022. He is also the winner of the African Arbitrator of the Year 2022 award at the 3rd African Arbitration Awards held at Kigali Rwanda beating other competitors from Egypt, Mauritius, Ethiopia, Nigeria and Kenya. In 2022, Chambers and Partners ranked him in Band 1 of Dispute Resolution (Arbitrators) noting that "He has been involved ground-breaking arbitrations," "has understanding of arbitration" and "is respected for litigation." He was awarded the Inaugural CIArb (Kenya Branch) ADR Lifetime Achievement Award 2021 as well as the ADR Publication of the Year Award 2021 by the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (Kenya Branch). He also received the ADR Practitioner of the Year Award 2021 by the Law Society of Kenya, Nairobi Branch at the Nairobi Legal Awards. He is a recipient of the 8th C.B. Madan Prize of 2020 for commitment and outstanding scholarly contribution to constitutionalism and the rule of law in Kenya.

Hon. Prof. Muigua PhD. has on various occasions been appointed by leading arbitral institutions including the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CIArb-Kenya), the Nairobi Centre for International

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Arbitration (NCIA), the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) and the London Court of International Arbitration (LCIA) among other institutions, as both a sole arbitrator and a member of an arbitral tribunal in arbitrations involving commercial disputes.

Hon. Prof. Muigua PhD. also serves as the Editor in Chief of three leading peer reviewed journals in East Africa, the *Alternative Dispute Resolution Journal*, the *Journal of Conflict Management and Sustainable Development* and *Journal of ADR & Sustainability*.

He notes that Justice is at the heart of the Rule of Law. It means many things but at the very least it connotes fairness to all. He further notes that Justice must be accessible. In the realm of the environment, it connotes both Procedural Justice and Substantive Justice.

This work widens the concept of Environmental Justice to include fair and just treatment of the environment itself. The discourse is both anthropocentric and ecocentric in approach.

Justice in this work is discussed in the context of Sustainability. Sustainability is a social goal for people to coexist on Earth over a long time.

Hon. Prof. Kariuki Muigua has demonstrated his prowess and sound understanding of Sustainability. He posits that Sustainability is a social goal for people to coexist on Earth over a long time. He points out that it can also be looked at as the notion of meeting our own needs without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs.

The papers covered in this volume mainly focus on delivery of Environmental Justice; Sustainability; Environmental Governance; Book Review: Delivering Justice for (2024) Journal of Common Volume 11(4)

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Conflict Management; Climate Justice; Sustainable Development; Energy Transition and Energy Justice; Green growth and Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG).

This book is a must read for researchers, students and academicians who have an interest in Delivering Justice for Sustainable Development.

Hon. Prof. Kariuki Muigua PhD; Ch. Arb; OGW offered the book for free download in his law firm Kariuki Muigua & Co. Advocates website in a quest to realize the key objective of its publication, promoting knowledge on Delivering Justice for Sustainable Development.

