



***Editor's note***  
**Women, liveability and empowerment in Sub-Sahara Africa**

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This special theme focuses on issues and challenges surrounding women, liveability and empowerment in Sub-Sahara Africa, in line with the scope of this journal of extending coverage to as many areas and societies of the developing world as possible.

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