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INTERROGATING DEMOCRATIC GOVERNANCE IN TRADITIONAL YORUBA (NIGERIA) POLITICAL INSTITUTION

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ABSTRACT

This work attempt to interrogate the traditional Yoruba political system in other to find out whether there were any traces of democratic governance in their institutions. Effort had been made by various scholars and researchers in various area of human endeavor to discredit traditional African political institutions in a way that arouse the emotion of many other scholars to look into at least one of this institutions, interrogate their doings through the pre-colonial era and see whether or not there are any traces of democratic governance in their institutions. The paper is theoretical in nature basically; it draws its argument from secondary data including textbooks, journals, articles, and publications. The work concludes that traditional Yoruba institutions had some rubrics upon which a modern democratic structure can be built.

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