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THE QUEST FOR UNITY: AN APPRAISAL OF REGIONAL INTEGRATION IN AFRICA

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## **ABOUT THE BOOK**

Rooted in the Pan-Africanist ideals that animated the struggle against colonialism, regional integration has been in the mainstream agenda in Africa for six decades. As soon as they attained their political independence in the 1960s, African countries were quick to embrace the regional integration imperative because of its compelling, if obvious, strategic value. This book offers a comprehensive and incisive review of Africa's quest for regional integration from the 1960s to the present-day. Despite concerted efforts towards its realization, regional integration remains elusive. In retracing the journey towards regional integration thus far, the book reveals lessons that can guide regional integration efforts going forward and hopefully lead to better outcomes.

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