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This volume's articles illustrate the extensive research on the Niger Delta, encompassing the economic ramifications of oil extraction and the psychological effects of kidnapping on families. Additional subjects examined encompass service quality within the telecommunications sector, the adoption of internet commerce, and conflict resolution via counselling practices.

The Niger Delta region is a complicated location, and this journal seeks to offer a venue for scholars to explore its various features. We anticipate that the articles published in this edition will enhance our understanding of the region and inform policies and practices that promote long-term prosperity and well-being of the region.

We wish to express our profound appreciation first, to the Vice Chancellor, Delta State University, Abraka, Professor Samuel Ogheneovo Asagba, who graciously approved and supported this noble and novel project of the Centre for Niger Delta Studies (CENDS). We also wish to appreciate the editorial team, authors, and reviewers for their diligent efforts and commitment to the success of this volume. We anticipate forthcoming volumes that will further investigate the numerous aspects of the Niger Delta region. Enjoy your reading!

**Prof. Peter O. O. Ottuh (Ph.D)**

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