

TRANSDISCIPLINARY RESEARCH AT THE CENTRE FOR HOUSING AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT, UNIVERSITY OF LAGOS

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ABOUT THE CENTRE

Centre for Housing and Sustainable Development, University of Lagos

- Founded in 2013, as one of six **centres for housing** research across six African Universities.
- Initial funding support from the African Development Bank, brokered by the Nigerian-UK Housing Society with the Chartered Institute of Housing
- Focus on engaging policy makers, communities of practice, academia and local communities **Research; Post Graduate Studies; Capacity Building; Expert Group Meetings; Housing Regeneration and Advocacy**
- Awarded **CoE in Urbanization and Habitable Cities** in December 2017 after successful grant application instituted by ARUA
- Hosts ARUA Research Network on Urbanisation and Habitable Cities



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Centre for Housing and Sustainable Development, University of Lagos

- Research centre within a Nigerian Public Higher Education Institution, hence governed and supported by the institutional structure of the University of Lagos regarding partnerships, funding and best practices
- Funded through grants and endowments, primarily from international funders
- Relative autonomy in research and advocacy engagement
- Public facing in capacity development, policy engagement and advocacy



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Research Clusters

- Sustainable Cities and African Urbanisation Dynamics
- Housing and Regeneration
- Urban Health
- Urban Design and Infrastructure
- Land Management and Administration
- Construction and Construction Skills Development
- Pro-poor Development .
- Spatial Data Infrastructure
- Digital Built Environment

Working Groups

- Urban Mobility and Transport
- Urban Resilience

Academic Programmes

MSc, Mphil & PhD Sustainable Urbanization

M.Sc.Housing Studies

Post-doctoral, research and visiting fellowships



Research methodologies grounded in decoloniality, trans-disciplinarity, co-production, citizen science and ethnography

Programmes

- Annual Land Conference
- Cluster led webinars and workshops
- Centre led training programmes
- Urban Action Forum
- Ideal Habitat Housing Cooperative

Some Research Projects

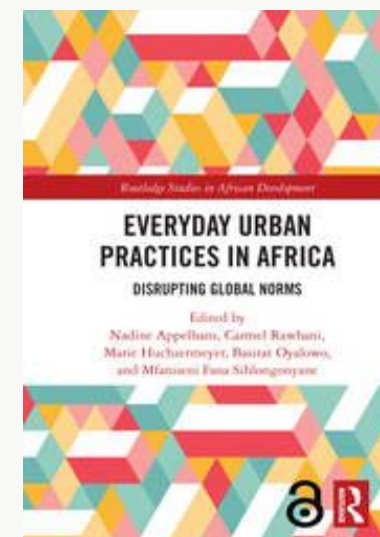
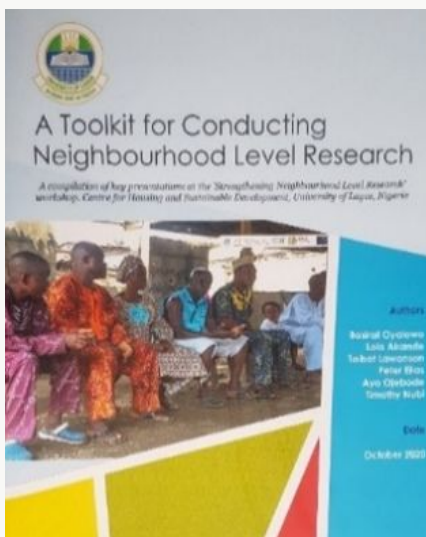
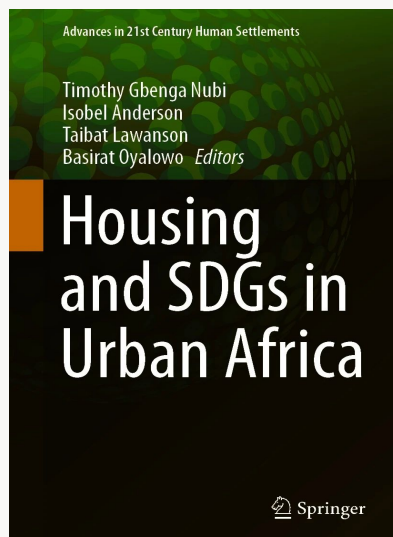
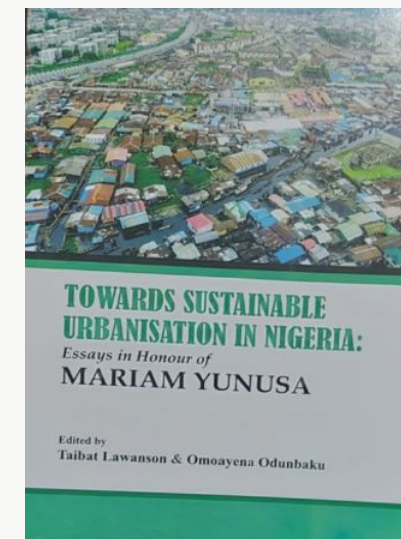
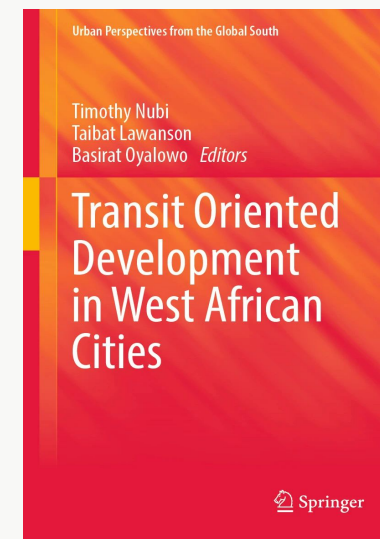
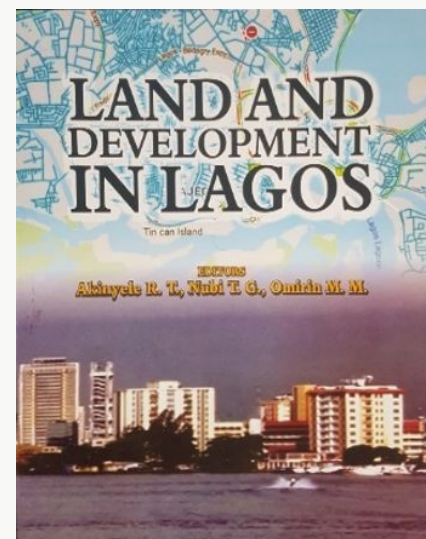
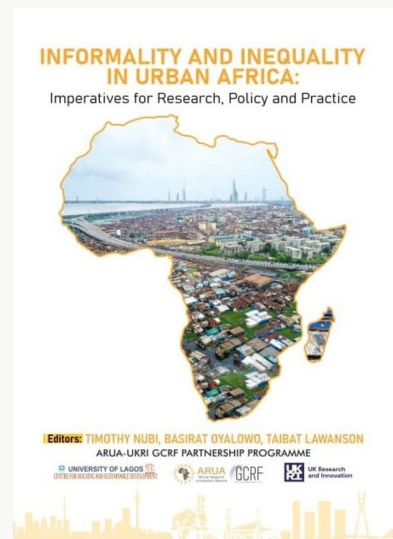
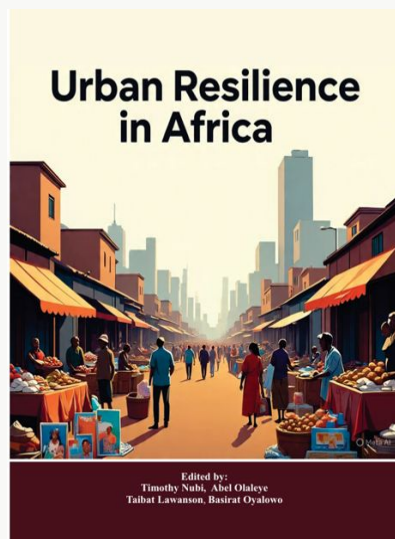
- Inclusive Poverty Reduction: in search of a policy framework to support individuals operating in the Informal Economy in Lagos, Nigeria
- Applying transdisciplinary and youth-driven citizen science for a healthy and climate resilient Lagos.
- Action Research for Climate Resilience
- Strengthening Community-Led Innovations for Climate Resilience through Formal Planning Systems
- Strengthening water access and quality in selected African countries
- Livelihood Vulnerabilities and Empowerment opportunities of Lagos Sanitation

Workers

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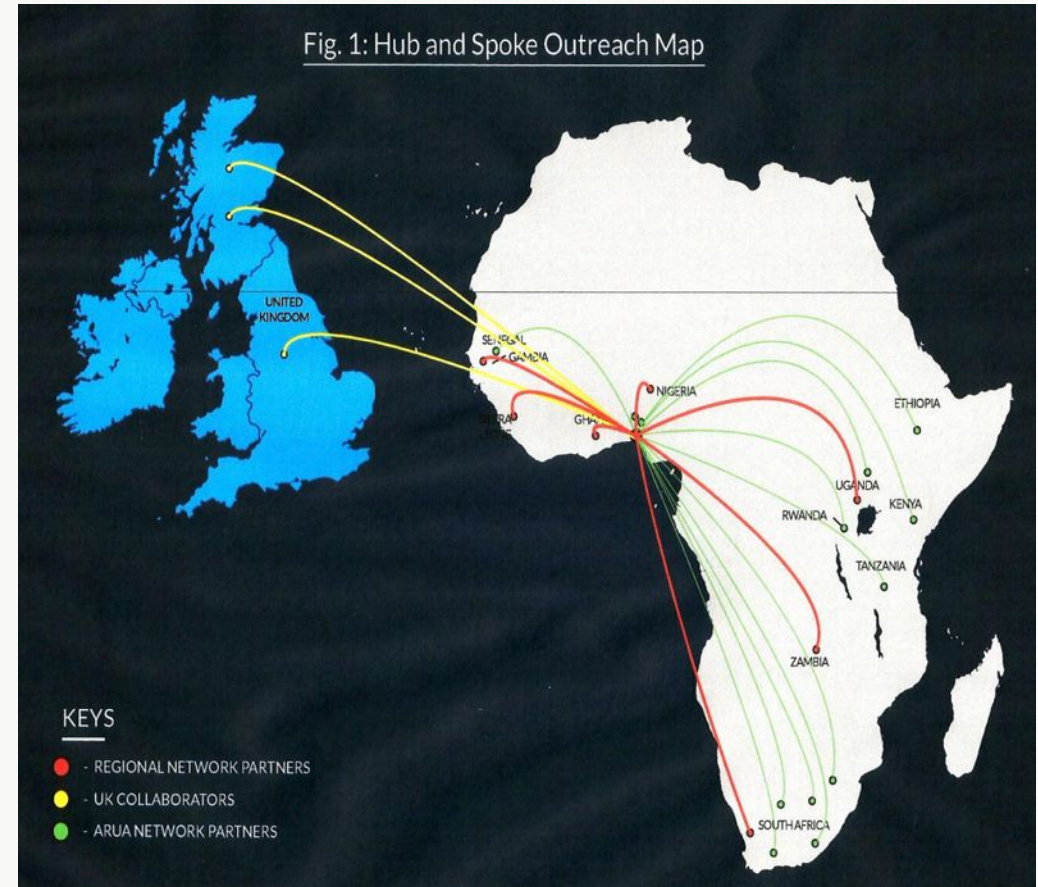


PARTNERS AND ASSOCIATES

AFRICAN RESEARCH NETWORK ON URBANISATION AND HABITABLE CITIES

Network Partners

1. American International University of West Africa, The Gambia
2. Federal University of Technology, Nigeria
3. Obafemi Awolowo University, Nigeria
4. Sierra Leone Urban Research Centre of the Njala University, Sierra Leone
5. Uganda Martyrs University, Uganda
6. University of Cape Town, South Africa
7. University of Ghana
8. University of Lagos
9. University of Nairobi, Nairobi Kenya
10. University of Zambia



Research

- African Research Network on Urbanisation and Habitable Cities
- WITS-TUB-UNILAG Urban Lab
- African Cities Research Consortium
- Afretec Network
- Citizen Science Research Network
- Association of Commonwealth Universities

Civil Society and Professional Bodies

- Heinrich Boell Stiftung
- Urban Better
- Real Estate Developers Association of Nigeria
- Nigerian Institute of Town Planners
- Nigerian Institution of Estate Surveyors and Valuers
- UK-Nigeria Housing Society
- Rethinking Cities

Public sector

- Federal Ministry of Housing and Urban Development
- Lagos State Ministry of Housing
- Lagos State Resilience Office

FUTURE OF CHSD

- Research
- Advocacy
- Education
- Partnerships



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