

UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND
DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY
SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION PAPER JULY 2013

TITLE OF PAPER : **ECONOMIC HISTORY OF WEST
AFRICA SINCE 1900**

COURSE CODE : **H316/IDE H316**

TIME ALLOWED : **Two (2) Hours**

INSTRUCTIONS : **1. Answer any two (2) questions**
2. All questions carry equal marks

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Question 1

Discuss the main features of the economic policies implemented by the British and French in their West African colonies between 1900 and 1939. [25 marks]

Question 2

Discuss the role of European trading companies in the colonial economy in West Africa. [25 marks]

Question 3

Analyze the different strategies adopted by independent West African states to achieve economic and social development. [25 marks]

Question 4

Assess the performance of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) in promoting development among member states. [25 marks]

Question 5

Do you subscribe to the view that colonial economic policies in West Africa between 1900 and 1960 led to regional underdevelopment and dependency on European capitalism? [25 marks]