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FINAL EXAMINATION PAPER: MAY 2011

TITLE OF PAPER: POLITICAL ECONOMY OF BOTSWANA,  
LESOTHO AND SWAZILAND (BLS STATES)

COURSE CODE: PA 303

TIME ALLOWED: THREE (3) HOURS

INSTRUCTION: ANSWER FOUR QUESTIONS, TWO FROM  
EACH SECTION

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### SECTION A

1. What in your view accounted for Lesotho's policy changes toward South Africa?
2. Examine the reasons behind BLS States dependency status.
3. Evaluate the industrialization programme in the BLS States in the 1970s and 1980s.
4. Assess the performance of the Southern African Development Coordinating Conference (SADCC).

### SECTION B

5. Evaluate Botswana, Lesotho and Swaziland's relations with the European Union.
6. Regionalism entails social contestations over how capital accumulation proceeds in southern Africa. Identify the actors opposed to neo-liberal integration and examine the reasons behind their discontent.
7. How might the regional states build an order anchored in interdependence and mutual gains?
8. Show how the regional order in southern Africa can be made to serve the interests of ordinary people.