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**BACHELOR OF ARTS (SOCIAL SCIENCE) YEAR 3**  
**FINAL EXAMINATION PAPER, MAY 2013**

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

**COURSE CODE:** PA 303

**TIME ALLOWED:** THREE (3) HOURS

**INSTRUCTION:** 1. ANSWER FOUR QUESTIONS ONLY, TWO  
FROM EACH SECTION

2. ALL QUESTIONS CARRY EQUAL MARKS  
OF TWENTY FIVE EACH

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## **SECTION A**

1. Discuss South Africa's vision of the region before 1994 and the steps taken to further this goal.
2. Give reasons for the low economic exchanges between members of the Southern African Development Coordination Conference (SADCC).
3. Critically examine the views of the Interdependence School on the BLS States economic interactions with South Africa.
4. Discuss the rationales behind changes in Swaziland's policy behaviour towards South Africa in the period 1979-1982.

## **SECTION B**

5. Discuss the BLS States expectations in a post-apartheid Southern African Customs Union (SACU).
6. Identify actors opposed to the neo-liberal turn of integration in Southern Africa and discuss their discontent.
7. Examine the power dimensions in the European Union's relation with the BLS states.
8. Discuss the role of the State in a regional integrative process.