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Editorial

Rarely has the threat of disease occupied so much of our thinking. For weeks, almost every newspaper has stories about the coronavirus pandemic on its front page; radio and TV programmes have back-to-back coverage on the latest death tolls; and depending on who you follow. Social media platforms are filled with frightening statistics, practical advice or gallows humour. As others have already reported, this constant bombardment can result in heightened anxiety, with immediate effects on our mental health. But the constant feeling of threat may have other, more insidious, effects on our psychology. This first edition in 2020 makes our Volume Twenty Eight Number One published in March. We have fourteen articles on variegated topics in the field of Applied Psychology in societies, organizations and personalities.

No gain saying, the threat of contagion can twist our psychological responses to ordinary interactions, leading us to behave in unexpected ways. As the world battles with the scourge of the Covid-19, psychologist as a frontier of knowledge will continue to proffer solution to the common problems encountered in societies. Surely, we are reaching the zenith of applied psychology in this millennium through our Journal – *Ife Psychologia*. All the articles are insightful for practice, research and teaching.

We thank all stakeholders dearly for their unrelenting support through their contributions and patronage. I hope that you will enjoy this Edition of the Journal.

Happy reading!

Yours Sincerely,

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