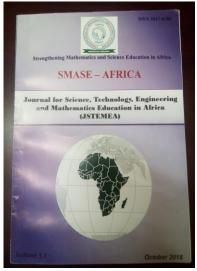
## "First journal launched in a historic event"

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SMASE Africa launched its first journal on Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics in Africa (JSTEMEA) during COMSTEDA 16 forum held in November, 2018 in Maun, Botswana. The event was graced by the Minister of Basic Education for Botswana, Hon Bagalatia Arone. The journal details research papers presented during COMSTEDA 15 held in 2017; Lusaka, Zambia. The Journal is peer reviewed and bearing the International Standard Serial Number ISSN 2617 - 6300 registered in Paris, France.

The publication contains twenty one scientific research papers under four thematic strands as follows;



Cover view of the SMASE-Africa Journal, JSTEMEA

SMASE Africa is in the process of publishing research papers that were presented during the COMSTEDA 16. The upcoming COMSTEDA 17 will be held in November, 2019 in Maputo, Mozambique and prospective paper presenters are encouraged to submit their research papers for review and inclusion in COMSTEDA 17 Journal edition.

**Strand One**: Teacher Professional Development in Africa: Towards lifelong practices. Papers under this strand focus on how to deliver teaching and learning effectively. **Strand Two**: Teaching, learning & Curriculum: Best Practices in STEM Education. The focus was on how to interpret policy and curricular into meaningful learning experiences. **Strand Three**: STEM Culture and Learning Environments. This comprehensively examined how to create a supportive learning environment.

**Strand Four:** Resources for Teaching and Learning STEM subjects, which focused on how to deliver STEM knowledge in an effective manner.



Hon. Bagalatia Arone (left) officially launches the JSTMEA flagged by Benson Banda- President, SMASE Africa (right)