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## **Managing Paradoxes: The Political Economy of Côte D 'Ivoire Crisis**

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**ABSTRACT** This study addresses the protracted militaro-political crisis in Côte D'Ivoire that has adversely disarticulated the Ivorian economy which is now prostrate. The crisis and the economy slump are having corrosive effects on the land-locked countries in West Africa, especially Burkina-Faso. The identity crisis that engulfed the country subsequently resulted in "ethnic consciousness" and waves of xenophobia is inimical to the economic growth of the country. Thus, The study concludes that it is imperative for the Ivorian political elite to embrace genuine reconciliation that will pave the way for national rebirth in order to give the national economy the much needed new lease of life as well as a credible rehabilitation within the International Financial Institutions (IFIS).