

# The Inclusivity and Exclusivity of Gramsci in Today's World: A Comparative Analysis

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## 1 Introduction

### 1.1 Brief Introduction of Gramsci, Marx and Lenin

This section will provide a concise introduction to Antonio Gramsci, Karl Marx, and Vladimir Lenin, outlining the focus of the paper on their ideologies and influences. The trilogy of Marxist thoughts, consisting of these three influential figures, presents a complex and rich framework for understanding various socio-political dynamics. This paper seeks to explore their thoughts within the context of historical developments and their relevance in contemporary socio-political landscapes, particularly in Africa.

### 1.2 The Trilogy of the Marxist Thoughts

In this part, the historical context in which Gramsci, Marx, and Lenin evolved will be presented. The socio-political understanding of their writings will be explored, with a specific focus on the events and movements in Africa during their time. This comparative contextual analysis will delve into the similarities and differences between the emergence of the trilogy's Marxist thoughts and the concurrent socio-political developments in Africa.

### **1.3 Theoretical Framework**

The theoretical framework section will examine the core ideas of Karl Marx's Historical Materialism, Vladimir Lenin's theories on imperialism and the vanguard party, and Antonio Gramsci's critical concepts like hegemony and organic intellectuals. Additionally, the post-colonial power and state thoughts from Achille Mbembe will be integrated to provide a comprehensive understanding of the trilogy's theoretical foundations.