

## PRESS RELEASE

Which writer will succeed Elnathan John, winner of 2019 Prix Les Afriques ?

The Reading Committee has shortlisted the 5 novels for 2020 Prix Les Afriques.

They are:

- **Amour, patrie et soupe de crabes** by Malagasy writer, Johary Ravaloson, Editor Dodo Vole
- **Reste avec moi** by Nigerian writer, Ayòbámi Adébáyò, translated from English by Josette Chicheportiche, Editor Charleston,
- **Rouge impératrice** by Cameroonian writer, Léonora Miano, Editor Grasset,
- **Les Confessions de Frannie Langton**, by Jamaican writer, Sara Collins, translated from English by Charles Recoursé, Editor Belfond,
- **Kintu** by Ugandan writer, Jennifer Makumbi, translated from English by Céline Schwaller, Editor Métailié.

Since 2016, Prix Les Afriques awards the most significant literary work recently published by Africans and Afro-descendants writers. It is awarded annually by vote from an independent jury presided over by Professor of Literature, Ambroise Kom.

Prix Les Afriques comprises

- A sum of 6'000 Swiss francs
- An art work by Momar Seck
- The purchase of 100 copies of the award-winning book
- The purchase of copyrights of the award-winning book for Francophone Africa, if the publisher consents.

The Reading Committee of Prix Les Afriques 2020, presided over by Madame Christelle Ngoulou was made up of Aurore Foukissa, Heloïse Haden, Florence Colinette Haller, Nicole Mikolo, Grâce Minlibe, Flore Agnès Nda Zoa, Marina Ntsonga, Alain Atouba Edjeba, Philippe Bonvin, Cédric Moussavou Koumba and Alain Tito Mabilia.

The Reading Committee wishes good continuation to the 23 novels which were not selected in this short list.

The winner of Prix Les Afriques will be announced on October 30, 2020.

The management committee of LA CENE LITTERAIRE  
Christelle Ngoulou, Director of the Reading Committee of Prix Les AFRIQUES

Done on August 12, 2020.