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**He is also the recipient of the Ashridge Business School/Guardian Media Group Essay Prize (Best Overseas Category) with his essay on the challenges confronting public-sector leaders in Nigeria’s oil-rich Niger-Delta region, among other awards.**