

## REVIEWER'S REPORT

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**Title:**THE EFFECTS OF E-TENDERING PRACTICES ON PERFORMANCE OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT AUTHORITIES IN TANZANIA: A CASE OF IRINGA MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

### Recommendation:

**Accept as it ItYES**

Accept after minor revision.....

Accept after major revision .....

Do not accept (*Reasons below*).....

| Rating         | Excel. | Good | Fair | Poor |
|----------------|--------|------|------|------|
| Originality    | YES    |      |      |      |
| Techn. Quality | YES    |      |      |      |
| Clarity        | YES    |      |      |      |
| Significance   | YES    |      |      |      |

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### Detailed Reviewer's Report

The paper "The Effects of E-Tendering Practices on Performance of Local Government Authorities in Tanzania: A Case of Iringa Municipal Council" presents a well-articulated and methodologically sound study that effectively demonstrates the positive impact of digital procurement practices on local government performance. The abstract clearly outlines the research focus on e-advertisement, e-evaluation, and e-award practices, linking each practice to tangible improvements such as reduced fraud, enhanced transparency, increased supplier participation, and improved efficiency. The use of a convergent mixed-methods approach, combining quantitative descriptive statistics with qualitative thematic analysis, strengthens the reliability and credibility of the findings. The sampling strategy, data collection methods, and analytical tools are adequately described, reflecting careful research design. The study provides clear and actionable recommendations, emphasizing investment in ICT infrastructure, user-friendly systems, and regular upgrades, while also identifying areas for future research such as long-term impacts on cost efficiency, project quality, supplier diversity, and cross-regional comparisons. The abstract is concise, coherent, and sufficiently detailed, making it suitable for **acceptance without any revision.**