

## REVIEWER'S REPORT

Manuscript No.: IJAR-55885

**Title:** Corporate Governance Policies and Regulatory Adaptation in Circular Economy Transition

**Recommendation:**

Accept as it is .....

Accept after minor revision.....

Accept after major revision .....

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

Rating	Excel.	Good	Fair	Poor
Originality		√		
Techn. Quality		√		
Clarity		√		
Significance		√		

Accept after minor revision : Repetitive statements, and typographical errors

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### *Detailed Reviewer's Report*

The paper titled “Corporate Governance Policies and Regulatory Adaptation in Circular Economy Transition” presents a comprehensive and timely review of the role of corporate governance in ensuring regulatory compliance during the transition to a circular economy. The topic is relevant and aligns well with current global sustainability and ESG-focused research agendas, particularly in the context of emerging economies such as Ghana.

The study is well structured, with a clear abstract, logical flow of arguments, and an extensive literature review that covers conceptual, theoretical, and empirical perspectives. The use of secondary data through a systematic literature review approach is appropriate for the research objectives, and the methodology is adequately justified. The integration of Agency Theory and Stakeholder Theory strengthens the theoretical foundation of the study and provides clarity on governance mechanisms and accountability frameworks.

The paper demonstrates strong originality by linking corporate governance practices with circular economy compliance across multiple sectors, including finance, manufacturing, and energy. The discussion of digital governance tools, ethical leadership, and stakeholder engagement adds contemporary relevance. The findings section is insightful and identifies important research gaps, particularly concerning enforcement mechanisms, SME governance models, and digital adoption challenges.

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However, the paper requires minor revisions. Certain sections contain grammatical inconsistencies, repetitive statements, and typographical errors that affect clarity. Some paragraphs, particularly in the literature review and findings sections, are excessively long and could benefit from concise restructuring. Additionally, the conceptual framework explanation would be clearer with a more explicit linkage between variables and outcomes. Reference formatting should be standardized according to the journal guidelines.