

## Review of: "Determinants of Women Entrepreneurs' Business Performance: Evidence from Micro and Small-Scale Enterprises in Arba Minch Town, Southern Ethiopia"

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This paper constitutes a valuable contribution to the comprehension of factors influencing women's business performance in the specified context. The research employs a well-defined methodology, including a thorough reliability test of the variables, and utilizes a mixed research approach that integrates both quantitative and qualitative methods. The study's conceptual framework provides a lucid understanding of the factors influencing women's business performance, while the descriptive statistics offer a comprehensive overview of the attitudes and beliefs of the individuals involved.

The reliability test of the variables demonstrates the robustness of the study's measurements, and the incorporation of Likert scale responses for measuring attitudes and beliefs adds depth to the analysis. The study's focus on individual, legal, economic, and technological factors provides a holistic view of the determinants of women's business performance, offering valuable insights for policymakers and stakeholders aiming to support women entrepreneurs in Southern Ethiopia.

In summary, the study is well-structured, methodologically sound, and offers meaningful implications for both academia and practical applications. It contributes significantly to the existing body of knowledge on women's entrepreneurship and provides actionable insights for fostering an enabling environment for women entrepreneurs in the specified region.

There are a few suggestions:

- 1. The study could benefit from a more in-depth discussion of the limitations and potential biases of the research methodology, such as the potential for response bias or sampling bias.
- Additionally, the study could benefit from a more detailed discussion of the implications of the findings for policymakers
  and stakeholders. This includes specific recommendations for policy and programmatic interventions to support
  women entrepreneurs in Southern Ethiopia.
- 3. Moreover, the study could consider incorporating additional variables beyond those examined in the current study as determinants of women entrepreneurs' business performance. This would leave room for exploration of other potential influences.
- 4. Lastly, the study could also consider conducting a comparative study between women entrepreneurs and their male counterparts in the same area to yield insightful results.

