

Peer Review

Review of: "Strategic Synergies: The Untold Interactions Between Global Competitiveness and Logistics Performance in Sub-Saharan Africa"

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The study looked at how the 12 pillars of the Global Competitiveness Index (GCI) interact with Logistic Performance in SSA.

The abstract is well-written, with information on what the problem is, the techniques employed to solve the problem, the findings, the conclusion, and the recommendations. The introduction mentions the theory the study is underpinned on and some review of empirical literature.

However, the author(s) should note the following:

1. Under the abstract section, the statement "We reveal a significant positive relationship between most of the pillars of the GCI." should be deleted, as we are interested in key findings from the study.
2. Countries were selected, but there was no mention of the number of countries involved in the study.
3. The relationship of the new trade theory and the current study should be well explained.
4. The motivation for the choice of SSA should be well articulated. The reasons behind the choice of study setting need to be well written, with some strong justifications.
5. On the relationship between TAN-BN models and PLS-SEM, is the author(s) suggesting that TAN-BN models are necessary before PLS-SEM? What would have happened if the author(s) concentrated on only the PLS-SEM methodology?

Declarations

Potential competing interests: No potential competing interests to declare.