

# Review of: "Determinants of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) Sustainable Development in Africa"

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The article could have been expanded to included:

How the following challenges affect MSME growth and development in Africa?

- Skills challenges, and why this challenge exist in the MSMEs?
- Market access challenges, and why this challenge exist in the MSMEs?
- Infrastructure challenges, and why this challenge exist in the MSMEs?
- Access to production technology, and why this challenge exists in the MSMEs?
- Excessive government regulation, and why this challenge exists in the MSMEs?
- High exposure to corruption and bureaucracy, and why this challenge exists in

the MSMEs?

The Covid-19 pandemic came with severe disruptions to economic activity in Africa and beyond. MSMEs that have generally been marred by poor support were, thus, faced with yet another survival threat. In particular, the pandemic resulted in various operational restrictions, supply chain disruptions, loss of staff, and cash flow and financial challenges for MSMEs. General economic activity declines also led to market shrinkage which, in and for many MSMEs, resulted in low or unsustainable service or product provision to markets. Consequently, several MSMEs were forced to close down. Your paper does not address this issue. How do MSMEs remain sustainable during a pandemic?

Address some of the spelling errors in the paper.

