

Review of: "The “Africa Rising”: An Exploratory Analysis with the Gross Domestic Product Data"

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Despite the improvements of this new version, the model estimated still has too many explanatory variables that could be duplicating information and therefore, compromising the validity of the model. It would be convenient to include tests to rule out this possibility or estimate an alternative dynamic model to check the robustness of the results. Additionally, as mentioned in the previous version, the limitations of panel models that assume that all African economies share the same growth function and that this function is relatively stable over time, should not be overlooked: when conclusions are drawn from a panel analysis, those must be done prudently.