

Review of: "Factors Affecting the Social Outreach of Microfinance Institutions: Evidence from Ethiopian Microfinance Institutions"

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A thorough and perceptive investigation of the several factors impacting the social outreach of microfinance institutions (MFIs) in Ethiopia can be found in this article. Examining a crucial facet of financial inclusion, the research illuminates the complex interplay between MFIs and their capacity to influence and reach a wide range of social groups.

The research in this article has deployed an empirical approach, which draws support from Ethiopian microfinance institutions, is one of its strongest points. The incorporation of empirical data lends validity to the results, constituting a significant addition to the body of knowledge on microfinance. Through the use of both quantitative and qualitative approaches, the research offers a comprehensive understanding of the various aspects that impact social outreach.

The comprehensive literature analysis places the study in the larger perspective of microfinance. The writers provide a strong framework for their research by deftly incorporating accepted theories and notions. Both academics and professionals in the field can easily understand the study's conceptual foundations thanks to the theoretical framework.

The methodology section is well-written, providing a detailed explanation of the research design, data collection methods, and analytical strategies used. This openness makes the study more replicable and enables readers to evaluate the reliability of the conclusions. Incorporating both external and internal elements that impact social outreach enhances the analysis's breadth and highlights how intricate Ethiopia's microfinance scene is.

The study's conclusions are presented in a logical and well-organized way to aid in understanding. For policymakers, practitioners, and scholars interested in financial inclusion and social development, the study provides insightful information on the major factors influencing Ethiopian MFIs' social outreach.

Though the paper offers a thorough analysis, its impact might be increased with a longer discussion of the consequences of the results and possible suggestions for stakeholders. A discussion of the study's shortcomings and potential directions for further investigation would also advance the academic conversation about microfinance in Ethiopia.