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EDITORIAL

Dear readers!

The recent issue of the journal is devoted to several governance and regulation issues.

Ashenafi Beyene Fanta examines how the manufacturing SMEs reacted to acute shortage of formal credit. Author found that SME owners actively react towards financial restraint by resorting to alternative schemes such as iqqub (variant of rotating saving and credit association), customer advances, and trade credit.

Daniel Chigudu aims to undertake a reflective inquiry on the ethical conduct in the Zimbabwean public sector through content and process analysis in order to provide intervention mechanisms to the problem. Statistical analysis of corruption level is made to benefit the study. Results indicated some legislative gaps and an incapacitated Anti-Corruption Commission which has been unable to execute its mandate fully.

Malla Praveen Bhasa reviews the growth and development of corporate governance literature over the past eight decades. In doing so, author studies 1789 published research papers to track how literature organized itself to build the corporate governance discourse.

Sly Newton Mutiro and Stanley Fore establish the perceptions of the corporate services directorate in the South African Metropolitan municipality on King III good governance compliance by interviewing some employees orally and through a questionnaire. The responses were captured and analysed using IBM SPSS software. Problems were identified in governance training and understanding in general. Another major finding was poor communication internally and externally. To overcome these shortfall recommendations were made. Communication models, communication plan, governance models and training were recommended.

Nandi Lubbe and Dave Lubbe provide an exposition of how business ethics links with philosophy. Referral is also made to how professional ethics of the concerned professions fit into the comprehensive discipline of philosophy. The second aspect addressed by the authors is regarding one of the main challenges in presenting business ethics courses. Reasons are mentioned that may result in business ethics courses being irrelevant and impractical and therefore possible solutions to this problem are also suggested.

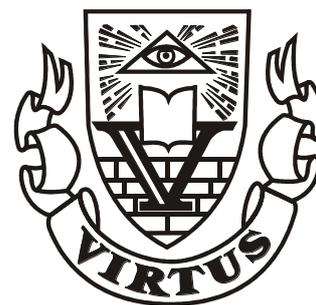
Queen Sarah Khetsi and Itumeleng Pleasure Mongale investigate the impact of capital markets on economic growth in South Africa from 1971-2013. The results indicated that there is a positive relationship between economic growth and capital markets in South Africa. Furthermore, the country should focus on factors that contribute to the development of capital markets, such as the development of financial institutions. The study contributes to the existing body of empirical literature with regards to economic growth and capital markets, especially with reference to stock markets as South Africa has one of the largest stock markets (JSE) in the world.

We hope that you will enjoy reading the journal and in the future we will receive new papers, outlining the most important issues in the field of governance and regulation.

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