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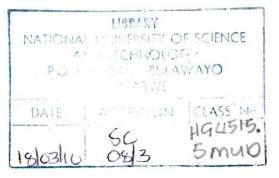
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TOPIC 'An investigation into the roles Sovereign Wealth Fund can play to Zimbabwe's economic stability.'

This research is done in partial fulfillment of the Bachelors of commerce honours degree in Finance.





ABSTRACT

Zimbabwe's potential main exports are lucrative minerals such as diamonds and platinum. These can generate revenues needed for funding a SWF amongst other sources for the country to achieve economic growth and stability and have better run State Owned Enterprise (SOEs). Creation of a SWF can be a way of acquiring an extra tool of managing the economy, creating wealth for the citizens and decreasing the fiscus burden.

It is the researcher's conviction that the this research will benefit various stakeholders in the broader scope of sustainable management of natural resources, inducing growth and stability in Zimbabwe's economy. The stakeholders encompass the central government, fiscal and monetary policy makers, business sector, the academia and the general citizens at large. The fiscal and monetary authorities will get valuable insight on how they can increase the returns of currency reserves and integrate the SWF in the fine-tuning of the domestic economy.

The research was able to uncover challenges that the country may face in the creation of a Sovereign Wealth Fund, the justification of having such an investment vehicle and the roles it may play in the fine-tuning of the domestic economy. Policy consistence, transparency and disclosure issues were found to be the sticking challenges in the creation of Zimbabwe's Sovereign Wealth Fund.