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Abstract

Cyberlaw and data protection have become critical areas of concern in Southern Africa, particularly as technological advancements expand internet access and usage. The analysis employs a comparative legal framework approach, examining existing cyberlaws in other Southern African countries as a reference point. Secondary data from official government documents and relevant international standards will be analysed to provide insights into Cameroon's specific context. Cameroon's current frameworks show significant alignment with regional best practices but exhibit notable deficiencies in enforcement mechanisms and public awareness campaigns, necessitating targeted policy interventions. While Cameroon has made strides towards robust cyberlaw and data protection, there is a need for enhanced legal implementation strategies and broader societal engagement to ensure compliance and user protection. The government should prioritise the development of comprehensive enforcement policies, increase public education initiatives, and harmonize with international standards such as GDPR (General Data Protection Regulation).

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