



Constitutional Review Processes and Democratic Consolidation in Ethiopia,

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Abstract

This study examines constitutional review processes in Ethiopia, focusing on their impact on democratic consolidation. Qualitative research methods were employed to conduct interviews with key stakeholders including judges, lawyers, political figures, and civil society representatives. Document analysis was also used to examine official documents related to constitutional amendments. A significant proportion (70%) of respondents perceived the recent constitutional review as enhancing democratic governance by improving legal clarity and accountability mechanisms. The findings suggest that while there have been notable improvements, further reforms are needed to fully realise Ethiopia's potential for robust democracy. Policy recommendations include strengthening oversight bodies and promoting public participation in future reviews to ensure broader support and legitimacy.

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