# **Review Form 2**

Book Name:	Economics and Entrepreneurship
Manuscript Number:	Ms_BPR_ 3336.2
Title of the Manuscript:	AN EXPLORATORY STUDY ON SUPPORT TO SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES: EVIDENCE FROM SEDA BUSINESS ADVISORS
Type of the Article	Book chapter

## **PART 1:** Review Comments

Compulsory REVISION comments	Reviewer's comment	Author's Feedback (Please correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)
Please write a few sentences regarding the importance of this manuscript for the scientific community. Why do you like (or dislike) this manuscript? A minimum of 3-4 sentences may be required for this part.	We know how SMEs in different countries play a significant role and contribute to their respective economies. This article is valuable in informing readers about the importance of government agencies' support for SMEs, particularly in terms of helping them succeed and sustain their businesses.	
Is the title of the article suitable? (If not please suggest an alternative title)	Please highlight in the title SMEs from in which countries?	
Is the abstract of the article comprehensive? Do you suggest the addition (or deletion) of some points in this section? Please write your suggestions here.	The abstract title is understandable for readers and effectively summarizes the study	
Are subsections and structure of the manuscript appropriate?	Introduction: Please highlight your definition of SMEs in South Africa and specify which sectors contribute the most to the GDP.  Methodology: Which SME industry did you focus on for the interviews?  Results: This is an interesting study. However, it would be helpful to provide a summary of the results in table form, showing the responses of the 10 SME participants. This would be informative for the readers and allow others to reference or quote your interview questions in future research.	
Please write a few sentences regarding the scientific correctness of this manuscript. Why do you think that this manuscript is scientifically robust and technically sound? A minimum of 3-4 sentences may be required for this part.	The use of qualitative methods, particularly semi-structured interviews with SEDA business advisors, provides an in-depth understanding of the challenges SMEs face. The data analysis process, utilizing Tesch's method, ensures that the findings are systematically coded and categorized, enhancing the reliability of the results. Overall, the methodology is sound, and the conclusions are well-supported by the data collected.	
Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestions of additional references, please mention them in the review form.	-	

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Minor REVISION comments  Is the language/English quality of the article suitable for scholarly communications?	There are repeated words in the manuscript, for example, in the results section of the abstract, the phrase 'to small businesses' appears twice. Additionally, there is a missing period in one of the sentences. It is recommended to send the manuscript for professional proofreading after finalizing.
Optional/General comments	Please highlight what business support SEDA do provided to the SMEs, in terms of financial and non-financial support.

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