**Globalization and Regional Integration: An East African Perspective**

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**Abstract**

This Paper Focuses On Globalization As A Very Important Aspect In Both The National And International Arenas. It Plays A Major Role As Far As Regional Blocs Are Concerned, East Africa Included. This Study Anchors On A Pivotal Role This Phenomenon Plays In The East African Nation States Through A Demand For Each Other’s Endowed Resources Resting On Their Comparative Advantages. Globalization Creates A Binding Structure Amongst The East African Economies. It Encourages Cross Border Movements Following The 20th November 2009 Signing Of The Common Market Protocol(CMP) Agreement Yet This Attracts And Creates Dissatisfaction And Suspicion Among Nationals Of These Countries, Economic Threats Notwithstanding . The Developed East African States Finally Exploit The Less Developed Ones Hence Marginalizing A Few.

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