

Fighting Corruption in tactical procurement

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Vast amount of public resources are spent on procurement. Effective public procurement yields additional budget space, hence it ought to be conducted with due diligence. However, public procurement most especially tactical procurement in local governments in Uganda is vulnerable to corruption.

In this thesis we analyze how tactical procurement can be managed to fight corruption and promote integrity in the decentralized context in local governments in Uganda. Specifically, we identify the most vulnerable areas to corruption in tactical procurement in municipalities in Uganda, analyze the suitability of the existing rules and regulations for preventing corruption, establish and examine strategic interventions that can be undertaken to curb corruption and empirically examine organizational designs in supplier selection to curb corruption.

The findings establish a positive relationship between compliance with procurement rules and regulations and anti-corruption, implying that the better the rules are followed, the less corruption seems to be present. The thesis provides an addition to the strategies, policies and practices already undertaken to curb corruption and promote integrity in public procurement and in local governments in particular.