Abstract

This research assesses the impact of Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) on the economic development of host countries, exploring both the positive and negative effects of FDI inflows on local economies. As global investment flows continue to increase, understanding the role of FDI in shaping economic growth, employment, and infrastructure development in host countries is critical for policymakers and businesses. The study aims to provide a comprehensive evaluation of how FDI contributes to or hinders economic development in different regions and sectors.

Using a multi-method approach, the research combines quantitative data analysis and qualitative case studies to offer a nuanced perspective on the impact of FDI. The quantitative component examines macroeconomic indicators such as GDP growth, employment rates, and productivity levels in host countries that have received significant FDI. It also explores the relationship between FDI inflows and the development of key industries, such as manufacturing and services. The qualitative aspect includes interviews with local business leaders, policymakers, and foreign investors to gather insights into the real-world effects of FDI on economic opportunities, technological transfer, and capacity building in the host country.

By integrating both quantitative and qualitative data, this study provides a well-rounded analysis of FDI's role in economic development. The findings aim to offer valuable recommendations for policymakers to maximize the benefits of FDI while addressing challenges related to dependency and inequality.