## **ABSTRACT**

Procurement is a basic function for most organization in Tanzania and the rest of the world. However with the advancement in technology, introduction of electronic procurement is a necessary for achieving fast, accurate, and simple procurement process especially to the public organization.

The study assessed the challenges facing adoption of e-procurement in public sector in Tanzania. It was conducted at Tanzania National Parks (TANAPA) as a case study. This research report has been presented in six chapters.

First three chapters are basically introductory covering the background to the study and the problem, literature review and methodology. The problem under investigation, the study objectives and research questions are defined and introduced to the reader in chapter one; The literature review covering various concepts used by the researcher to explain the problem is in chapter two and chapter three provides the methodology employed by the researcher as a structured guide to this study.

Before the concluding remarks and recommendations in chapter five, the findings of this study are presented in chapter four. These include the likely procedures involved in adopting e-procurement, the likely challenges involved in adopting e-procurement, assessing the impact of e-procurement in the overall procurement performance and finally the solutions towards the challenges that were encountered.

The lesson learned from this study are due to the continue increase of the use of information technology especially in the world of purchasing, the Tanzanian public organization must also change and adopt the methods of purchasing electronically and furthermore the Public Procurement Regulatory Authority (PPRA) of Tanzania must review the Public Procurement Act to include rules and regulations upon purchasing electronically

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