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The Resilience of Entrepreneurs in Developing Economies: Implications for Organizational and Regional Effectiveness

Despite the importance of entrepreneurship for the economic development of African countries, and the prevalence of events that undermine the stability and security of business ventures, very little empirical research has examined the resilience of entrepreneurs. This project aims to understand the causes of entrepreneurs' resilience and its effects on entrepreneurs, their businesses, and their communities. We are particularly interested in entrepreneurial resilience in developing economies because it is there where entrepreneurship is most needed and most difficult. We will test our model of entrepreneurial resilience via a longitudinal study of entrepreneurs in Africa.

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