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PART 1: Review Comments

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment (if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)
<u>Compulsory</u> REVISION comments		
<u>Minor</u> REVISION comments	Overall the paper is a good description of WAEMU's economic and monetary positions. But my wariness is the motivation and the research gap of the study is not well articulated at the introductory part. The citations are too old and few; infant the author failed to present adequate reviews of previous studies on this matter and as such the research gap could be identified. Thus, there is need for the author to do a robust literature review on the key areas of this study. The findings of the study are not clearly stated especially in the abstract, at least in a concise form. The author should check out for tautology and other grammatical errors, for examples in line 111 and 112 the word win is supposed to be wins and more collocate with than, in line 33 and 34 but yet can not go together, the same thing in line 281(but also and). All these should be corrected and some words are wrongly merged together for example in line 261 where you have intensivein. The conclusion of the study is not presented in way to oppose or stand in tandem with other previous studies on the subject matter.	This article analyzes the determinants of economic growth in the WAEMU. We emphasize the importance of competitiveness to support sectors of economic activity. We show the importance of price, exchange rate, exports, governance and economic patriotism for economic growth. Reviewer's remarks are taken into account.
<u>Optional/General</u> comments	There is lack of consistence in the referencing style and the inside text is in few cases poorly referenced for example the initial of the author cited in line 229 is included, this wrong. I think the author should be informed about the style considered appropriate for the journal. The study period stops	Some data is updated.



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	at 2008; it is like the author is living in the past. In my opinion the period should be updated. If any ethical issues please clarify. If any competing interest please clarify.	
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