



## **Economic empowerment of businesswomen in fragile and conflict affected states: a case study of Yemen**

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***Abstract:** In patriarchal societies, women are particularly vulnerable and targeted in many ways during armed conflict. This is mainly due to persistent gender inequality. However, conflict can also be a time to empower women due to changes in their traditional roles and new responsibilities that they must shoulder in the absence of men fighting far away in conflicts. The role of businesswomen in conflict and affected state cannot be denied, so this research is intended to highlight on the noticeable participation of businesswomen in the economic development and need for suitable interventions that would lead to economic empowerment of Yemeni businesswomen during the conflict period, by looking at the major obstacles.*

