

# Abstract

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## **ERP IN EGYPT: REAL HOLLOW SYSTEMS?**

Are the implemented Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) systems in developing countries a hollow ones? Is there a real implementation of ERP systems in such countries? What are the factors leading to a successful ion &#97;&#110;&#100; implementation of ERP systems by industrial sectors in developing countries? Although there is a trend toward ERP adoption, &#97;&#110;&#100; a common acknowledgment of its great impact on business, developing countries are facing several challenges to implement ERP. As a consequence, several companies are forced to roll back to their legacy systems. Most ERP studies focus on the benefits, the motives, &#97;&#110;&#100; the importance of adopting ERP regardless of the barriers that might face ERP implementation. Few studies investigate the supporting factors that might exist while implementing such systems. Since there is a significant failure rate for ERP adoption especially in developing countries, there is a need for further studies concentrating on the causes behind such failure shedding the light on the role of organizational culture &#97;&#110;&#100; surrounded environment. Therefore, this paper examines the issues that might face key players in different Egyptians industrial sectors before while implementing ERP systems. Cross-industry case studies were conducted on both ERP adopters &#97;&#110;&#100; non-adopters to measure the perception of decision makers about ERP implementation.