

# **Dimensions That Characterize and Mechanisms That Cause the Misuse of Information Systems for Corrupt Practices in the Nigerian Public Sector**

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## **Abstract**

The study would exhumed the Dimensions and Structural Mechanisms that can foster the misuse of information systems (IS) for corrupt practices. Using the abductive-retroductive strategy native to critical realism. The paper would present a Realist conceptualization of why the misuse of IS for corrupt practices occurs in the Public Sector. Morphogenetic Model of Emergent IT Use and Routine Activity theories would be adopted as theoretical lenses. Danermark et al.'s six stage explanatory framework embedded with a single case-study would be adopted as the methodology. Semi-structured interviews would be used as primary sources of data, while archival documents and press media reports will be used as secondary data sources. From the empirical data analysis, the core causal structures, mechanisms and conditions generating the events of IS misuse for corrupt practices in the context, will be identified. The proposed study will contribute to theory, practice, and the methodology of critical realism.