

## Ensuring the economic security of the functioning and development of small/medium-sized enterprises using institutional mechanisms

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### Abstract

**Purpose.** The purpose of this article is the scientific justification of theoretical and methodological approaches, methodological foundations and the development of practical recommendations for the formation of a mechanism for managing the economic security of small / medium enterprises. **Materials and methods.** The methodological basis of this article is research in the field of formation and ensuring the economic security of the functioning and development of small / medium enterprises. In the presented article, methods such as analysis and synthesis, systematization and comparison are applied. **Results.** Based on the analysis of literary sources, the state of the domestic sector of small and medium-sized enterprises is analyzed and the main trends of its development in modern conditions are considered. The works of domestic and foreign scientists are generalized and the totality of external and internal threats that are inherent in small and medium-sized enterprises is highlighted. **Conclusions.** Based on literary sources, the article analyzes the threats and dangers of the economic security of small and medium-sized enterprises, presents their general classification. If any of the components of the enterprise's functioning is weakened, there is a danger that it will directly exert a negative influence on it, which is why the enterprise management process is inextricably linked to its security issues. **Application.** The scientific conclusions obtained as a result of the study can be used by government bodies of state power, as well as by the business community in forming the basis for business development and solving complex socio-economic problems of the Russian Federation.

**Keywords:** *small and medium enterprises, economic security*

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