

## Review of: "Digitalization of research: do ICT improve scientific production in developing countries?"

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The authors present a very interesting study in which they analyze, as they write, the effects of the diffusion of ICTs in general and Internet penetration in particular on "scientific production" in developing countries. The use of the term ICT is too broad in relation to this article, as the authors focus on examining the impact of the Internet on "scientific production". Therefore, I suggest that the aim of the article should be clarified and the research hypothesis should be clearly formulated.

The authors formulate accurate conclusions that are consistent with common knowledge, assuming that the existence of efficient institutions favors economic development. However, they do not provide specific recommendations for economic policy.

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