

Review of: "From Silicon to Services: How Intellectual Capital Shapes Taiwan's Economic Transformation"

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Thank you very much for inviting me to review the paper.

I consider it a good effort; however, it can be further improved. I would be precise and to the point and would request you to please look for a systematic review paper in a good quality journal that is WOS-Q1. Since this article mentions its methodology as a systematic review, the methodology is very important to be followed.

If you look at this article in its present state, you can clearly find that you haven't mentioned anything regarding the methodology; in fact, the methodology section is completely missing. How did you come across this literature? What method did you adopt? What keywords and screening process did you adopt? What was the criteria, the coding or themes, and so on? Therefore, the most important part of this article is its methodology, which is missing. So please include that.

Secondly, this seems to be a descriptive study; as such, I do not see any analytical literature. Simply, the literature has been synthesized. So, if you submit this to some good journal, they will reject this paper immediately. Please try to add something in a different manner and style that is not published earlier or that the style is not so common that it is ignored.

Thirdly, it seems you are not clear about the exact theory that should be applied. The arguments in the paper were without theoretical underpinning and support. You have just mentioned several theories and described them, but the theoretical disposition and linkage with the study variables is completely missing.

Fourthly, intellectual capital is no doubt a very important variable nowadays; however, your write-up is unable to find any logical and appropriate relationship between your independent variable and dependent variable. The write-up needs to be stronger and in line with the theoretical foundations of the study, which is completely missing. How does IC lead to financial performance? What is the underlying mechanism? How can organizations use their IC to gain higher performances? Ask yourself such questions and then answer accordingly.

In conclusion, I would again suggest you please have a look at a recent review paper and follow its methodology and pattern for learning and improvement.

Hope this helps you. Good luck with your future projects.

