

Review of: "The Future of Malaysian SMEs in the Digital Economy"

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Dear authors,

Although the title of the article refers to Malaysian SMEs, the article does not present information on the current state of adoption of digital technologies in Malaysian SMEs. What is the current state in terms of the digital transformation of Malaysian SMEs?

In general, the article's content is not related to the title, so I suggest reviewing the document's purpose, which is also unclear, as well as the research questions proposed. Specifically, the research questions are general and do not consider Malaysian SMEs. More detail is needed when writing the research questions.

Defining key terms such as digital economy, digital transformation, and digital skills remains. I would like to know what "intelligent of the SMEs" means.

When reading the document, adjectives are identified, for example, "tremendous". Review the wording of the article, so that the information presented is more academic.

In the introduction section, the authors present ideas that are not supported by data, and do not have citations. For example:

"Certain technologies in the digital economy provide businesses with several significant advantages." It is necessary to develop the ideas and cite them. What technologies? What are those advantages?

"Today, over half average company's workers use Internet-connected devices." What companies? Figures? Source?

There is no methodology section. What were the criteria for including and excluding documents in the literature review?

It is recommended to separate the discussion section from the conclusion section.

In the literature review section, the authors present a source from 1999. Review the works included because what is presented in the section is not clear.

Improve the quality of the figures.

