

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

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Having conducted similar research for my doctoral studies, I can see the value of a digital economy and the need for SMEs to adopt technologies to maintain a competitive advantage.

This work makes some important points about a changing digital ecosystem and the need for SMEs to stay ahead of the curve.

I identified some aspects that I thought would provide a more rigorous case.

Introduction

Define what is meant by 'digitalisation' and 'economic digitalisation' for the uninformed reader. Is there a difference between digitalisation and digitisation?

General Comments

More references recommended for robustness and academic rigour.

I recommend a schema to outline IR4, IoT etc and their relationships.

Also, editing in terms of grammar is suggested. For example 'Having a present online', should read 'Having a presence online'.

Overall, I can see the value this research has for Malaysian SMEs and further research should build on this.