

Review of: "A Review of Informal Employment Research"

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The study has merit as it focuses on an important aspect of economic growth and the role of the informal market. It also positions the profiling of more vulnerable populations within the type of available employment.

The challenge currently is that there are some sweeping statements as if all contexts relating to the potential reasons (globally and in different contexts) for under-employment, the lack of access to formal employment, the issue of employability, global market forces, globalization and effects on markets within different sectors (agriculture) are not considered.

The structuring of content seems to be repetitive, and several sources are outdated. The issue of youth unemployment/under-employment and related to the SDGs should be considered. What are the industries that could absorb or link the informal economy to the formal employment. What about the issue of employability and educational profiles. Subsistence farming and survival of households are key to this argument.

Consider a major restructuring and refer to the NEET to EET phenomenon and nuances in terms of contextual differences. You cannot jump from Europe to Africa to China with a similar argument.

What are the global factors and what are contextual issues?

All the best with considering these recommendations and with concise writing to build an argument and present it as a golden threat to contribute to the existing body of academic knowledge.

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