

Dear Dr. Jim Jansen

Thank you for your consideration, and for reading my manuscript. I have taken this chance to make changes to the manuscript according to your suggestions and comments.

- I rewrote my abstract to better highlight the specifics of my findings as you suggested.
- I added an explicit Research Objective section to the manuscript.
- I updated my references to newer and more specific research, as well as devling into the relation with information field as you suggested.
- After checking the Guide for Authors for IPM in Elsevier, I was under the impression that the section **Your Paper Your Way** meant that the formatting was left for after the reviewing process. Nevertheless, I have complied and formatted the document by using the available LaTeX template.
- Since I used the LaTeX template, the formatting of my references are all in order now as well.
- I removed all technical reports from the references and cited them as footnotes when necessary. I believe all the references are either articles in journals or proceedings.
- I highlited the theoretical and practical implications of my research a bit more on the related work, introduction and abstract of my paper, as they were mostly shown in the discussion part of the article.

On the recommendation of reviewers, I believe I will recommend the following people, because of their expertise in use of information science methodology for management applications:

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I hope this satisfies the requirements for formal review.

Regards,

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