



A meta-analysis of agricultural enterprises and entrepreneurship researches

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This research aimed to analysis content of published research in area of agricultural enterprise and entrepreneurship development. This research was done using content analysis and meta-analysis. The content analysis of the papers focused on methodological and subject (conceptual and theoretical) perspective. Units of analysis was consisted all published papers in Journals and scientific seminars and conferences during the 1998–2012 period which indexed in scientific databases in subject area of agricultural enterprise and entrepreneurship development. Bibliometric methods were used to describe the trend of publication activity, the theoretical and conceptual approach, the methodologies applied, and the content of the articles in order to explore the main themes researched. These analyses enable the identification of potential opportunities for future research that could be meaningful to advance in the consolidation of the agricultural entrepreneurship as an interdisciplinary. Findings of this research describes the structure and trends of the agricultural entrepreneurship literature The findings revealed that must researches focused on students and graduates as statistical population. Most researches were done using primary data. The majority of researches applied quantitative research paradigm and a few of researches used qualitative and mixed methodology which seems more suitable with nature of entrepreneurship. Form view point of time period, mainly of survey was cross-sectional one. According to findings of this meta-analysis, some remarks were suggested in order to enhance research in area of agricultural enterprise and entrepreneurship development.

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