Dear readers,

In this edition we have articles that analyze innovation from an international perspective and different industries. The article “Battery global value chain and its technological challenges for electric vehicle mobility” focus on research identifying the main characteristics of the global value chain battery for electric vehicles in southern Korea and Japan. The work “Product, process, marketing and organizational innovation in industries of the flat knitting sector” is a study that aimed to identify the innovations in the flat mesh industry that occurred between 2008 and 2011. In the article “Characteristics of Brazilian Scientific Research on Diffusion of Innovations in Business Administration” the authors analyze the characteristics of the Brazilian scientific research in the diffusion of innovations in the administration. The article “Intellectual Property and Patent Prospecting as a Basis for Knowledge and Innovation – a Study on Mobile Information Technologies and Virtual Processes of Communication and Management” brings how inventive actions can be collected and correlated with a source of information and knowledge for a given subject. The objective of the work “Influence innovation in small business activities that participate in the LIA (Local Innovation Agency) Program in Rondônia (Amazon, Brazil)” is to present the cognitive factors that are the most relevant factors that contribute to the development of the innovation process in the Amazon region (Amazon, Brazil). Finally, the article “An Analysis of Industrial Districts and Triple Helix of Innovation – A Regional Development Experience in the South of the State of Rio de Janeiro” consolidates a research effort to analyze 70 years of economic development in the Paraíba do Sul river region in the southern state of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

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