

Special Issue

Low-Cost Inventions and Patents

Message from the Guest Editors

Low-cost technologies are expected to be easy to build, have little or no energy consumption, and be easy to maintain and operate. The use of sustainable technologies is essential in order to move towards greater global coverage of technology, and therefore to improve human quality of life. It is a consensus in all industrialized countries that patents have a decisive influence on the organization of the economy, as they are a key element in promoting technological innovation. Patents must aim to promote the technological development of countries, starting from their industrial situation. Usually for the proposal of a patent, a review of the state of technology on that particular issue must be made. This type of study is not often published in scientific journals, despite the technological value they have. This is why this Special Issue aims to include research works reviewing the state of the art in low-cost technologies used for patent applications. This Special Issue aims to cover low-cost inventions that have given rise to patents, or those that have not been able to be registered as such because they are considered to be utility models.

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