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The theme of the paper is very important because Coronavirus is not only affecting the health of the populations, but also the economy of all States around the world.

UnfortunatelyI have to ask that it be revised with the formula "Return for major revision and resubmission".

This is because at the page 8 (of 26) there is this sentences:

"The article presentation is done like following, section II provides the theory, section III, the main results, section IV, the impact of the shock among connected countries and transmission risks generated, section V, studies risk impact on the international economy, section VI, provides the public policy promotion, section VII highlights numerical experiments of the theory elaborated and the conclusion is provided in section VIII."

Instead, the chapters of the paper are:

- II. The theory
- III. Sudden shocks in connected countries and transmission risks
- IV. Risk impact on the international economy
- V. The social planner's intervention
- V. Numerical experiments of the theory
- VI. The macro-economics' empirical view of the theory
- VI. Conclusion

Therefore, it makes the paper unclear and, as mentioned above, not easy to read and understand.



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| The title is fine. I might prefer something like The corona virus pandemic and stochastic growth: Implication Developing and Emerging Economies | s for Developed, |
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| Minor re-wording needed | | | |
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| Careful editing needed. Abbreviations need checking i.e. not i.e | | | |
| Peak not pic, etc. | | | |
| Legends for figures are too brief. Need explanation of x-axis, y-axis, and scales | | | |
| 4. The study methods are explained clearly. | 5 | | |
| Nice mathematical presentation of methods | | | |
| 5. The results are clear and do not contain errors. | 4 | | |
| Results are clear. Updating statistics on the corona virus pandemic would be preferable through January 2021. The use of the possessive such as countries' is distracting. Try to rewrite without use of possessive. | | | |
| 6. The conclusions or summary are accurate and supported by the content. | 4 | | |
| The conclusion needs re-wording to be clearer. The main finding that the corona virus pandemic will affect developed economies more than emerging economies needs to be stated clearly. The finding that emerging economies will not lose ground on developed economies due to the pandemic needs to be explicitly stated. | | | |
| 7. The references are comprehensive and appropriate. | 5 | | |
| References seem fine | | | |

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This is a scholarly piece of work. The author is likely multi-lingual with a good working knowledge of English and French. Some French words have crept into the text and need removal. Figures can be improved by addition of descriptive captions that explain the x-axis, y-axis, and trend lines. A few of the figures are too low resolution to be readable.