Research on the relationship between scientific and technological innovation and corporate social responsibility

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Abstract: Scientific and technological innovation plays an important role in contemporary society, and it also poses new challenges to the social responsibility of enterprises [1]. This paper aims to study the relationship between technological innovation and corporate social responsibility, and to explore how to fulfill corporate social responsibility while promoting technological innovation. Scientific and technological innovation has brought more opportunities and challenges to enterprises [2]. By introducing new technologies and innovative products, companies can improve efficiency, reduce costs and meet the changing needs of consumers. However, technological innovation may also bring some negative effects, such as layoffs and environmental pollution. Therefore, enterprises need to fully consider their social responsibility when carrying out scientific and technological innovation. Scientific and technological innovation and corporate social responsibility are inseparable. Enterprises should be aware of the opportunities and challenges brought about by scientific and technological innovation and actively fulfill their social responsibilities [3]. The government should strengthen supervision and guidance, promote enterprises to assume more social responsibility in scientific and technological innovation, and jointly promote the sustainable development of society.

1. Introduction

What is the relationship between technological innovation and corporate social responsibility? As an important source of enterprise competitiveness, scientific and technological innovation is of great significance to the operation and development of enterprises. However, the social impact of scientific and technological innovation has become increasingly prominent, and enterprises need to bear corresponding social responsibilities while carrying out scientific and technological innovation. This paper will try to explore the relationship between scientific and technological innovation and corporate social responsibility, the impact of scientific and technological innovation on corporate social responsibility, and how enterprises should fulfill social responsibility in scientific and technological innovation.
2. Literature Review

2.1 Relationship between scientific and technological innovation and CSR

Corporate social responsibility (CSR) and technology innovation activity can be a crucial intangible asset or resource that allows firms to develop competitive advantages for sustainable growth and value [4], in the complex business field, there are inextricably linked between two factors, both CSR and technology innovation activity help enhance a firm’s reputation and know-how to substantially increase its sales, thereby eventually upgrading the firm’s value [5], to achieve a virtuous circle, we need to understand more about the application of artificial intelligence and corporate social responsibility. Scientific and technological innovation is one of the foundations of enterprise development. In order to cope with the changing demand, the internal production and management and external marketing and products of enterprises are covered by scientific and technological innovation. Newly adopted technology can also act as an enabler of product or service innovations from the perspective of the adopter if it is successfully used to offer a new service or to deliver products to customers in a way that is new to the enterprise [6]. In the operation of enterprises, social responsibility is also one of the inevitable elements. CSR is “a process with the aim to embrace responsibility for the company’s actions and encourage a positive impact through its activities on the environment, consumers, employees etc., CSR is a worldwide issue, i.e., Singapore supermarkets stop selling shark fin products and environmental groups welcome, “Korean luxury goods companies lack awareness of social responsibility” etc., was critic in international news [7]. The two factors are intertwined and influenced by each other. It is hard to say that the development of either side has no impact on the other. Enterprises will need effective scientific and technological innovation in the pursuit of profits, but social responsibility cannot be ignored in the long-term strategy.

2.2 Existing and underlying risks

With the emergence of new things, it often brings corresponding adverse effects, especially the science technology with a wide range of applications. It is easy to be used to achieve things that violate morality and institution, especially for business and politics, recent events illustrate how AI can be “weaponized” to corrupt elections and poison people’s faith in democratic institutions. Yet, as with many disruptive technologies, the law is slow to catch up [8]. Even if the relevant laws are followed up, some negative effects brought by technological progress cannot be eliminated, in terms of fairness, sustainability and balanced development, it is often difficult to make up quickly, some of these problems are unique to AI; others are shared with many other postindustrial technologies [9]. One of the most concerning issues is that if the unregulated advancement of intelligent technology continues, it could result in further chaos as it conflicts with social responsibility, this loss of control is a significant risk, perhaps an existential risk for humanity [10].

3. Analysis

3.1 Internal relationship between scientific and technological innovation and corporate social responsibility

Scientific and technological innovation refers to the development of new products, services or production methods through the progress and application of science and technology, so as to improve production efficiency and quality of life. Scientific and technological innovation can not only bring economic growth and competitive advantage, but also solve social problems and promote sustainable development of society.
Connotation and objectives of corporate social responsibility.

Corporate social responsibility refers to the responsibility of enterprises to society and environment in the process of operation, including economic responsibility, environmental responsibility and social responsibility. The goal of corporate social responsibility is to have a positive impact on stakeholders (employees, consumers, investors, communities, etc.) and contribute to society through the business activities of enterprises on the premise of respecting laws and regulations.

Relationship between scientific and technological innovation and corporate social responsibility.

Scientific and technological innovation is closely related to corporate social responsibility. First of all, scientific and technological innovation is one of the important ways for enterprises to fulfill their social responsibility. Through scientific and technological innovation, enterprises can develop more environmentally friendly, efficient and energy-saving products and services to reduce the impact on the environment. Secondly, technological innovation can also solve social problems, provide solutions and meet people's needs. Finally, scientific and technological innovation can also promote the sustainable development of enterprises and improve the competitiveness and innovation ability of enterprises.

3.2 Impacts of technological innovation on corporate social responsibility

3.2.1 The role of scientific and technological innovation in promoting social development

Scientific and technological innovation can promote the development and progress of society. By introducing new technologies, products and services, scientific and technological innovation can improve production efficiency and quality and promote economic growth. At the same time, scientific and technological innovation can also improve people's quality of life and meet people's needs for health, education, transportation and so on. The role of scientific and technological innovation in promoting social development is also a manifestation of enterprises fulfilling their social responsibilities.

3.2.2 The impact of scientific and technological innovation on environmental protection [11]

Technological innovation can provide environmentally friendly solutions that reduce pollution and damage to the environment. For example, by developing clean energy technologies and promoting energy conservation and emission reduction measures, enterprises can reduce carbon emissions and reduce the impact on climate change. At the same time, scientific and technological innovation can also improve the way waste treatment and resource utilization, realize circular economy and promote sustainable development.

3.2.3 Scientific and technological innovation's solution to social problems

Technological innovation can provide solutions to social problems. For example, through the development of information technology and the Internet, enterprises can launch innovative products and services such as intelligent medical treatment and distance education, improve the efficiency of the allocation of medical and educational resources, and solve social problems such as population aging and educational inequality. The power of technological innovation can transform society and improve people's quality of life.
3.3 Realize the common development of scientific and technological innovation and corporate social responsibility

3.3.1 Strengthen the cultivation of scientific and technological innovation ability of enterprises

Enterprises should strengthen the training and introduction of scientific and technological innovation ability and improve their own scientific and technological innovation level. Through the establishment of R&D teams and cooperative research institutions, we should strengthen cooperation with scientific research institutions and universities and carry out scientific and technological R&D projects. At the same time, enterprises can also introduce advanced scientific and technological achievements and talents to promote cross-border cooperation in scientific and technological innovation.

3.3.2 Strengthen the enterprise combination of technological and AI innovation and social needs

Companies should pay close attention to social needs and combine technological innovation with social issues. Through market research and user feedback, we can understand people's needs for products and services and carry out scientific and technological innovation. At the same time, enterprises can also cooperate with the government and social organizations to solve social problems and promote the social value of scientific and technological innovation.

3.3.3 Improve transparency and security of scientific and technological innovation within corporates

In the process of scientific and technological innovation, enterprises should improve transparency and security. Transparency can enhance social trust and support for scientific and technological innovation, and security can protect the interests of users and society. Enterprises should strengthen the protection of intellectual property rights and protect their own scientific and technological innovations. At the same time, we should strengthen information security and data privacy protection to ensure the security of scientific and technological innovation [12].

Technological innovation and corporate social responsibility are two closely related concepts. In today's era of rapid development, scientific and technological innovation is crucial to the development of enterprises, but enterprises must also assume corresponding social responsibilities. This article will explore the impact of corporate social responsibility on scientific and technological innovation, the requirements of scientific and technological innovation on corporate social responsibility, and how to balance scientific and technological innovation and social responsibility.

(1) The impact of corporate social responsibility on scientific and technological innovation

Corporate social responsibility means that enterprises should not only pursue economic interests, but also assume responsibility for society, environment and employees. In terms of scientific and technological innovation, corporate social responsibility can have a positive impact on scientific and technological innovation.

First, corporate social responsibility can promote corporate innovation. In the process of assuming social responsibility, enterprises will pay more attention to the protection of society and the environment, which will help to improve their corporate image and reputation. Such a good image can attract more consumers and investors and provide more resources and opportunities for enterprise innovation.

Secondly, corporate social responsibility can promote the sustainable development of scientific and technological innovation. Scientific and technological innovation requires a lot of resources and financial support, if enterprises only focus on short-term interests and ignore the impact of long-term sustainable development, it may lead to waste of resources and environmental damage. The concept
of corporate social responsibility can help enterprises achieve sustainable development and provide a more stable development environment for scientific and technological innovation.

(2) Requirements of scientific and technological innovation for corporate social responsibility

In the process of scientific and technological innovation, enterprises must assume corresponding social responsibilities. Specifically, scientific and technological innovation puts forward the following requirements for corporate social responsibility:

Companies need respect intellectual property and privacy. In the process of scientific and technological innovation, enterprises need to respect intellectual property and privacy rights and not infringe on the rights and interests of others.

Management hierarchy focus on social and environmental issues. When carrying out scientific and technological innovation, enterprises should consider its impact on society and the environment, and take corresponding measures to reduce the negative impact.

Management department provide fair and transparent information. When promoting scientific and technological innovation, enterprises should provide fair and transparent information to avoid misleading consumers and investors.

(3) How to balance technological innovation with social responsibility

In order to achieve a balance between technological innovation and social responsibility, enterprises can take the following measures:

Corporates need strengthen the awareness of corporate social responsibility. Enterprises need to strengthen their understanding and understanding of social responsibility and integrate social responsibility into their development strategies.

Enterprises set dual goals of scientific and technological innovation and social responsibility. When carrying out scientific and technological innovation, enterprises should formulate the dual objectives of scientific and technological innovation and social responsibility, and incorporate them into the performance appraisal of enterprises.

Development strategies promote the combination of scientific and technological innovation and social needs. When carrying out scientific and technological innovation, enterprises should fully understand social needs, promote the combination of scientific and technological innovation and social needs, and maximize social benefits of scientific and technological innovation.

4. Policy Recommendations

The relationship between technological innovation and corporate social responsibility is an important and complex research field. Through a comprehensive analysis of relevant literature and empirical research, we draw the following conclusions:

There is a close relationship between technological innovation and corporate social responsibility. Scientific and technological innovation is an important engine to promote social progress and economic development, and corporate social responsibility is the obligation of enterprises to society, environment and stakeholders in the process of operation. Technological innovation can provide more opportunities and resources for enterprises, but also bring more social impact and responsibility. By actively participating in scientific and technological innovation, enterprises can improve the effect of fulfilling their social responsibilities and obtain better social reputation and competitive advantages.

Scientific and technological innovation can promote the performance of corporate social responsibility. Scientific and technological innovation can improve the production efficiency and product quality of enterprises, reduce environmental pollution and waste of resources, and improve the social responsibility awareness and action ability of enterprises. For example, by promoting innovation in clean energy technologies, companies can reduce their dependence on fossil fuels and reduce carbon emissions, thus mitigating the impact of climate change. In addition, technological
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Third, corporate social responsibility can also promote scientific and technological innovation. Enterprises actively fulfill their social responsibilities, which can not only win the support and recognition of society, but also obtain resources and cooperation opportunities from the government, academia and the public to promote enterprises to carry out more innovative activities. For example, some enterprises cooperate with universities and research institutions to carry out scientific research projects to achieve scientific and technological innovation and knowledge transformation. In addition, in the process of fulfilling social responsibility, enterprises can also obtain more information and feedback to help enterprises better grasp market demand and improve the success rate of innovation [13].

Scientific and technological innovation requires cooperation between enterprises and all sectors of society. Enterprises should establish good cooperative relations with the government, universities and research institutions to jointly promote the development of scientific and technological innovation.

Enterprises should pay attention to humanistic care in the process of scientific and technological innovation. Scientific and technological innovation should not only pursue economic benefits, but also consider people's needs and welfare, and promote the combination of scientific and Technological Development and social progress.

Enterprises should pay attention to environmental protection while innovating in science and technology. Through scientific and technological innovation, enterprises should reduce resource consumption and environmental pollution and promote sustainable development.

Enterprises should actively participate in social public welfare undertakings. By fulfilling social responsibility, enterprises can give back to society and enhance their social image and reputation. Enterprises should actively participate in scientific and technological innovation and make scientific and technological innovation one of their social responsibilities. Companies must constantly innovate to meet changing market needs while bringing more benefits to society.

Educational institutions should pay attention to scientific and technological innovation and the cultivation of social responsibility in order to improve the quality and sense of social responsibility of talents. Educational institutions should cultivate innovative and socially responsible people to contribute more to social and economic development [14].

To sum up, there is a close relationship between scientific and technological innovation and corporate social responsibility. By actively participating in scientific and technological innovation,
enterprises can improve the performance of their social responsibility and obtain better social reputation and competitive advantage. At the same time, corporate social responsibility can also promote the development of scientific and technological innovation [15]. In the future development, we should further strengthen the research on scientific and technological innovation and corporate social responsibility, promote the virtuous circle of scientific and technological innovation and social responsibility, and make greater contributions to the sustainable development of society.

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