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HISTORY OF MIICEMA

After successful the Malaysia-Indonesia International Conference on Economics, Management and Accounting 2010 (MIICEMA 2010) hosting by the Faculty of Economics and Business, Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia, this year 2011, Universitas Bengkulu will host the same conference for the third time. At 12th conference with theme “Borderless Economy: opportunities and challenges for Enterprises in Southeast Asia”, new members, Universitas Padjajaran, Bandung and Universitas Malikussaleh take part on the collaboration.

Here the list of detail history of MIICEMA from 1993 until 2010:

1993	The first conference was co-organized by the Faculty of Economics and Faculty of Business Management (UKM) and Universitas Syiah Kuala Banda Aceh. With a theme “Economics and Business Issues (Isu-isu Ekonomi dan Perniagaan)”, the conference was held on 5 – 6 June 1993 at Universitas Syiah Kuala Banda Aceh.
1994	The second conference was co-organized by the Faculty of Economics and Faculty of Business Management (UKM) and Universitas Syiah Kuala Banda Aceh. The conference theme was “Economics Prospects and Challenges in Industrial Development (Prospek dan Cabaran Ekonomi dalam Pembangunan Industri)”. The conference was held on 19 – 20 July 1994 at Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia.
1995	The third conference was co-organized by the Faculty of Economics and Faculty of Business Management (UKM) and Universitas Syiah Kuala Banda Aceh. The conference theme was “Strengthening Malaysia and Indonesia Cooperation: To Succeed the 2020 IMT-GT (Memperkuat Kerjasama Malaysia dan Indonesia: Mensukseskan IMT-GT Tahun 2020)”. The conference was held in August 1995 at Universitas Syiah Kuala Banda Aceh.
1996	The fourth conference, which was upgraded to an international level, was again co-organized by the Faculty of Economics and Faculty of Business Management (UKM) and Universitas Syiah Kuala Banda Aceh. The conference theme was “Globalization Issues in Economics and Business (Isu-isu Globalisasi dalam Ekonomi dan Perniagaan)”. The conference was held on 12 – 13 November 1996 at Puri Pujangga, Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia.
1997	The fifth conference was co-organized by the Faculty of Economics and Faculty of Business Management (UKM), Universitas Syiah Kuala Banda Aceh and a new member university, Universitas Bengkulu. The conference theme was “Managing Growth and Changes”. The conference was held on 23-25 June 1997 at Universitas Bengkulu.
2002	The sixth conference was co-organized by the Faculty of Economics and Faculty of Business Management (UKM), Universitas Syiah Kuala Banda Aceh and Universitas Bengkulu. The conference theme was “The Role and Harmonization of Economics and Business Disciplines in Global Competitiveness”. The conference was held on 14-15 October 2002 at Universitas Syiah Kuala, Banda Aceh.
2003	The seventh conference was co-organized by the Faculty of Economics and Faculty of Business Management (UKM), Universitas Syiah Kuala Banda Aceh and Universitas Bengkulu. The conference theme was “Sustainable Economics and Business Development in an Era of Globalization”. The

	conference which was hosted by the Faculty of Economics and Faculty of Business Management (UKM) was held on 13-14 October 2003 at Equatorial Hotel, Bangi.
2004	The eighth conference witnessed the collaborative effort of the trio universities was further strengthened by the involvement of Brunei Darussalam. The conference theme was "Asian Competitiveness in Economics and Business Sector Towards an Era of Globalization". The conference was held on 2-6 October 2004 at Universitas Bengkulu.
2005	The ninth conference was welcome another new member university, Universitas Muhammadiyah Surakarta, as the co-organizer of the conference. The conference theme was "Empowering Economic and Business in the Free Trade Era". The conference was held on 13-14 December 2005 at Universitas Muhammadiyah Surakarta.
2008	The tenth conference was co-organized by the Faculty of Economics and Business Management (UKM), Universitas Syiah Kuala Banda Aceh, Universitas Bengkulu and Universitas Muhammadiyah Surakarta. The conference theme was "Developing Regional Economy through Networking: Role of Small Medium Enterprises (SMEs)". The conference was held on 27-28 October 2008 at Universitas Syiah Kuala Banda Aceh.
2010	The eleventh conference was co-organized by Faculty of Economics and Business, Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia, National University of Malaysia, Universitas Syiah Kuala Banda Aceh, Universitas Bengkulu, Universitas Muhammadiyah Surakarta, and Institut Pertanian Bogor. The conference theme was "Regional Development in an Era of Global Innovation Economy". The conference was held on 25-26 October 2010 at Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia.

Greeting from the Rector



Assalamu'alaikum wr.wb. dan salam sejahtera

Dear participants, guesses and colleagues

First of all, I would like to express my gratitude to each and every one of you for your participation on this 12th Malaysian-Indonesian International Conference on Economics, Management and Accounting 2011 here in Bengkulu. I also would like to give my highly appreciation to

the organizing committee, the faculty of Economics, University of Bengkulu, in cooperation with Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia, Universitas Syiah Kuala Aceh, Universitas Muhammadiyah Surakarta, Institut Pertanian Bogor, and Universitas Padjajaran, Bandung. With their strong will and hard work, this conference can be successfully held.

Since it began in 1993, MIICEMA has been a huge success, providing a great opportunity to develop our knowledge on Economics, Managements and Accounting through networking, studies and researches - not to mention the opportunity to make new friends, meet old acquaintances and discover new places in both countries, Indonesia and Malaysia. And with this year's theme "Borderless Economy: Opportunities and Challenges of Business in Southeast Asia", It is my sincere expectation that there is also borderless collaboration between Indonesia and Malaysia and other countries as well in the future.

I hope that you will find the conference both enjoyable and valuable and also enjoy the cultural and natural beauty of Bengkulu. For all our guesses, national and international, may you have a pleasant stay in Bengkulu.

Wassalamu'alaikum wr.wb.

Sincerely,

Prof. Ir. Zainal Muktamar, M.Sc.

Greeting from the Dean

First and foremost, I wish to express my utmost gratitude to God for bestowing upon us His blessing to successfully organize the 12th Malaysia-Indonesia International Conference on Economics, Management and Accounting 2011. Welcome or *Selamat Datang* to Bengkulu and welcome to the Land of Rafflesia. Rafflesia is the biggest flower in the world existing in Bengkulu. I would like to express my gratitude to the Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia, Universitas Syiah Kuala Banda Aceh,



Universitas Muhammadiyah Surakarta, and Universitas Pertanian Bogor for graciously co-organizing this International Conference. In the future, there some other universities will join as co-organizers in this conference.

The main objective to hold this seminar is to exchange ideas and information, and to promote the understanding and cooperation among participants from various countries. Hopefully friendship and understanding can be achieved through this seminar. The theme of this conference is “Borderless Economy: Opportunities, Challenges for Business in Southeast Asia.” This theme is highly appropriate to assist regional development to ensure the success of business in the region. The thought share in this conference would benefit policies for the future.

Last but not least, my greatest appreciation goes to all who have contributed to the success of this conference, in particular the presenters, participants, sponsors, the organizer and its committee members. I wish you all have a fruitful discussion. To our special guests from Malaysia, Thailand, UK, Iran, India, and Australia, I hope you have a pleasant stay in Bengkulu the home of Rafflesia Arnoldi.

Warmest regards,

Dr. Ridwan Nurazi, SE., M.Sc., Akt

Greeting from the Conference Chair



Welcome to the 12th Malaysia-Indonesia International Conference on Economics, Management, and Accounting 2011 (**MIICEMA**) in the University of Bengkulu, Indonesia. It is the third time the Faculty of Economics of the University of Bengkulu proudly hosts the conference. It is the first time that participants are coming from seven countries around the world such as Malaysia, Thailand, Australia, India, Iran, United Kingdom, and Indonesia. It seems that the conference has attracted researchers around the globe to share their ideas in our conference.

The theme of “Borderless Economy: Opportunities and Challenges for Businesses in Southeast Asia” was chosen to anticipate the impacts of volatility in the recent global economy trends toward South East Asia economy. I believe that the theme is relevant since the world economy is becoming borderless and what happen in other parts of the world to some extent will greatly influence our regional business and economy.

One hundred and twenty three papers from thirty seven universities and seven countries will be presented by academicians and researchers. The researchers will exchange ideas derived from their studies and practices. It is expected that the conference would provides significant contributions to policy makers in the region.

I would like to thank the Director of Center for Central Banking Education and Studies of Bank Indonesia, Mr. Rizal A. Djaafara, and Vice President of RMUTSV Thailand, Prof. Aswin Promsopa for becoming our keynote speakers. My deepest appreciation goes to the deans of the conference co-organizers: Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia, Universitas Syiah Kuala Banda Aceh, Universitas Muhammadiyah Surakarta, Institut Pertanian Bogor, and Universitas Padjajaran. I would like to express my gratitude to our sponsors: Bank Indonesia, Bank Bengkulu, Telkomsel, Pemda Provinsi Bengkulu, Pemda Kota Bengkulu, Bengkulu Ekspres, and ISEI Cabang Bengkulu who have provided endless support for the conference. Last but not least, I thank all committee members for their effort and commitment to the success of the conference. I hope all participants have sweet memories of visiting our city, Bengkulu. Thank you very much.

Sincerely yours,

Prof. Lizar Alfansi, PhD

Conference Program

Date	Time	Program	Place
12 October 2011	18.30-23.00	Opening Dinner Party	Governor of Bengkulu Place (Resident)
13 October 2011	08.00-10.00	Keynote Speaker 1 Keynote Speaker 2	Rektorat (Main Building)
	10.00-11.00	Coffee Break	Rektorat (Main Building)
	11.00-12.20	Concurrent Session 1	FE-UNIB
	12.21-13.29	Lunch Break	FE-UNIB
	13.30-14.50	Concurrent Session 2	FE-UNIB
	14.51-15.29	Coffee Break	FE-UNIB
	15.30-16.50	Concurrent Session 3	FE-UNIB
	18.30-23.00	Dinner Party	Rektorat (Main Building)
14 October 2011	08.30-09.50	Concurrent Session 4	FE-UNIB
	10.00-13.00	Lunch Break	FE-UNIB
	13.00-18.00	Free Time (City Tour)	
	18.30-23.00	Farewell Dinner Party	City Hall Bengkulu

Concurrent Program

Concurrent Session I (Room MM 1)

Day I

Thursday, 13 October 2011

Track : Accounting - Public Sector

Chairman : Reschiwati

Time	Paper Code	Title	Presenter (s)
11.00-11.20	Non_29	The Influence of Understanding Financing Staff and Personnel Preparation of Financial Statements Based on The Governmental Accounting Standards of Quality Financial Report (Studies in Satuan Kerja Perangkat Daerah (SKPD) Bengkulu City)	Fachruzzaman and Leni
11.20-11.40	Non_30	The Effect Of Effectiveness Taxes Against Increased Revenue Bengkulu City	Rini Indriani and Daniel Kristian
11.40-12.00	Miicema Unib-30	What Makes People Pay Taxes in Self Assesmet System?	Mohd Rizal Palil, Ahmad Fariq Mustapha
12.00-12.20	Miicema Unib-61	The Relationship Between Religiosity and Tax Morale	Maryam Eslami and Mohd Rizal Palil

Concurrent Session II (Room MM 1)

Day I

Thursday, 13 October 2011

Track : Accounting – Education And Management

Chairman : Mohd Rizal Palil

Time	Paper Code	Title	Presenter (s)
13.30-13.50	Non_7	Perception of Accounting Community About Creative Accounting	Lismawati and Desy Nathalia
13.50-14.10	Non_13	Antecedents and Consequences of Comfort Participating in Class Discussion in Management Accounting Course	Paskah Ika Nugroho and Agung Lestari
14.10-14.30	Miicema Unib-3	Perceptions Of Accountants, Users, Organizers, And Students on Indonesian Education Standard For Professional Accountants	Reschiwati
14.30-14.50	Non-54	The Influence Of Pollitical Factors and Organizational Culture to Utilization Information Performance	Robinson

Concurrent Session III (Room MM 1)**Day I****Thursday, 13 October 2011****Track : Accounting - Management****Chairman : Maryam Eslami**

Time	Paper Code	Title	Presenter (s)
15.30-15.50	Miicema Unib-15	Budgetary Participation and Managerial Performance: A Study in Ministry of Home Affairs (Moha), Malaysia	Ida Haryanti Binti Mohd Noor
15.50-16.10	Miicema Unib-39	A Conceptual Framework for Characterizing Strategic Management Accounting and its Implementation	Denny Iskandar Tjandrawan and Utoyo Widayat
16.10-16.30	Non_6	Trends in Management Accounting Research Topics of Bengkulu University Students	Lisa Martiah Nila Puspita and Herawansyah
16.30-16.50	Non_8	Managerial Performance and Performance Measurement System	Lukluk Fuadah

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08.50-09.10	Non_20	The Effect of Budgetary Participation on Managerial Performance Through The Organizational Commitment and Work Motivation as The Intervening Variables	Nila Aprila And Siti Aisyah
09.10-09.30	Non_24	The Impact of Cost Management Knowledge on The Relationship Between Participation Budget and Managerial Performance	Halimatusyariah
09.30-09.50	Non_32	The Effect of Delegation of Authority Between Budget Participation and Managerial Performance on Private University in Indonesia	Isma Coryanata

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Track : Accounting - Financial
Chairman : Daw Tin Hla

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11.00-11.20	Miicema Unib-45	Earnings Management Practices in Companies Listed In Jakarta Islamic Index-Indonesian Stocks Exchange	Wiyadi and Nanang Prasnowo
11.20-11.40	Miicema Unib-46	Earnings Management Practices: The Comparative Studies Between Shariah Index (Jii) And Conventional Index (Lq-45) In Indonesian Stock Exchange	Rina Trisnawati and Sidiq Permono Nugroho
11.40-12.00	Miicema Unib-81	Pecking Order Theory of Capital Structure: Empirical Evidence From Panel Generalized Method of Moments	Matemilola B.T, Bany Ariffin A.N and Azman-Saini W.N.W
12.00-12.20	Miicema Unib-96	Financial Behavior and Financial Position: A Structural Equation Modeling Approach	Roza Hazli Zakaria, Noor Ismawati Mohd Jaafar and Sabitha Marican

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Chairman : Roza Hazli Zakaria

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13.30-13.50	Miicema Unib-83	Early Warning Model of Financial Distress	Triyono
13.50-14.10	Non_16	Response Asymmetries in The Mena Stock Markets	Bakri Abdul Karim, Zulkefly Abdul Karim, and Samsul Ariffin Abdul Karim
14.10-14.30	Miicema Unib-29	The Influence of Capital Structure and Growth of Company to Firm Value at Company in Indonesian Stock Exchange	Sri Hermuningsih and Dewi Kusuma Wardani
14.30-14.50	Miicema Unib-85	Simultaneous Relationship Between Managerial Ownership, Institutional Ownership, Debt Policy and Dividend Policy in The Agency Problem Mechanism	D. Agus Harjito , and Dewi Hadiyanti Ningsih

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15.50-16.10	Miicema Unib-40	Pengaruh Leverage, Pertumbuhan Aktiva, Dan Ukuran Perusahaan Terhadap Risiko Sistematis	Sri Retno Indrastanti and Agus Endro Suwarno
16.10-16.30	Miicema Unib-68	Identification of Earnings Management on The Company Listed on The Index LQ 45 in Indonesia Stock Exchange	Noer Sasongko and Emi Fauziah
16.30-16.50	Miicema Unib-128	Effecting Price Oil and Variable Moneter to Composite Stock Price Index	Darmawan Ahmad

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08.30-08.50	Non_2	A Comprehensive Review of Trading Strategies: In Search an Exellent Strategy For Traders in The Indonesia Stock Exchange	Iskandar Zulkarnain
08.50-09.10	Non_38	Exchange Rate-Interest Differential Relationship: Evidence From Selected East Asian Countries.	Hawati Janor, Mohamed Hisham Yahya, and Abdul Razak Abdul Hadi
09.10-09.30	Miicema Unib-79	Comovements and Stock Market Integration In Asia: Post Financial Crisis 1997	Siti Muliana Samsi and Zarinah Yusof
09.30-09.50	Miicema Unib-122	Financial Stress, Agility And Multiple Crises: Preliminary Study on Aim	Rahana Abdul Rahman, Chamhuri Siwar, Abdul Ghafar Ismail, and Norlida Jaafar

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Chairman : Rosfazila Binti Abd Rahman

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11.20-11.40	Non_10	Career Anchors and Job Satisfaction: The Mediating Effect of Psychological Empowerment	Meiliani, Samuel Garrett-Jones, and Mario Fernando
11.40-12.00	Non_11	Examining The Effects of Transformational Leadership in Indonesia and Australia	Michael K. Muchiri and Meiliani
12.00-12.20	Non_33	The Role of Work Motivation as Mediating Variable on The Relationship Between Leadership Styles and Job Satisfaction at Regional Office Bengkulu Province	Nova Delastri and Fahrudin Js Pareke

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13.30-13.50	Miicema Unib-20	Quality Management in PT. Consobiz Ventures	Dhiya U Syahidah and Gatot Yudoko
13.50-14.10	Miicema Unib-75	Exploring The Relationship Between Job Satisfaction and Nurse Performances	Supratman and Wiyadi
14.10-14.30	Miicema Unib-42	Modelling The Causal Relationship of Organizational Justice, Job Satisfaction, and Organizational Citizenship Behavior	Fahrudin Js Pareke and Sugeng Susetyo
14.30-14.50	Non_12	The Role Of Leadership in Managing Individuals' Career Anchors: A Theoretical Perspective	Michael K. Muchiri and Meiliani

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15.50-16.10	Miicema Unib-116	The Role Of Cognitive Processes and Social Capital as Determinants of Opportunity Recognition and Evaluation Amongst Entrepreneurs	Nigama K and P David Jawahar
16.10-16.30	Miicema Unib-48	The Impact of Transformational Leadership on Absenteeism: Mediating Role of Psychological Empowerment	Fozi Ali Belhaj, Fais Ahmad and Husna Johari
16.30-16.50	Miicema Unib-119	Tri Dharma Phylosophy Upon Budi Santoso	Hadziq Jauhary and Ahyar Yuniawan

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08.50-09.10	Miicema Unib-109	Do Human Resource Practices Influence Employees to Engage in Deviant Work Behavior? an Empirical Investigation in Malaysian Companies	Faridahwati Mohd, Shamsudin, Chandrakant an Subramaniam and Hadziroh Ibrahim
09.10-09.30	Non-46	Examining Relationships Among Leadership, Innovation Competencies And Operational Effectiveness	Michael K. Muchiri
09.30-09.50	Non-50	Identification of Training Effect on Small Business Performance	M. Farid Wajdi

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Track : Management – Finance/Strategic
Chairman : Rahana Abdul Rahman

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11.20-11.40	Miicema Unib-69	Critical Review on Measuring Financial Constraints: Multicriteria Approach	Dr. Saeed Fathi, Farnoosh Moghaddas and Kaveh Shahraki
11.40-12.00	Miicema Unib-27	Resilience of Islamic and Conventional Stock Markets of Indonesia During The 2007 Global Financial Crisis: A Comparative Empirical Examination	M. Shabri Abd. Majid
12.00-12.20	Non_9	Structure of Formality as Moderating on Relationship Between Strategy Implementation And Firm Performance in Indonesia	Mahdani

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Chairman : Zaitul

Time	Paper Code	Title	Presenter (S)
13.30-13.50	Miicema Unib-19	Malaysian Code of Corporate Governance: The Impact on Quality of Reported Earnings of Kuala Lumpur Composite Index (KLIC) Components	Rizwana Md Yusof
13.50-14.10	Non_19	The Effect of Good Corporate Governance Practices and Bond Rating on Bond Yield to Maturity	Isnuhardi, Dwi Yanti
14.10-14.30	Non_21	Effect on Corporate Governance Audit Qualification	Novita Sari
14.30-14.50	Non_27	The Factors Influencing of Equity Risk Premium of Indonesian Public Listed Companies	Saiful

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15.30-15.50	Miicema Unib-97	Board of Directors, Audit Committee, Audit Characteristics and Timeliness of Financial Report in Listed Companies in Indonesia	Zaitul and Fuadziah Hanim Hj. Fadzil
15.50-16.10	Miicema Unib-104	Director Diversity and Company Performance: A Review of Literature	Desi Ilona, Shamharir Abidin and Nurwati Ashikkin Ahmad Zaluki
16.10-16.30	Non_28	The Influence of Corporate Governance and Risk Factors on Equity Risk Premium of Indonesian Public Listed Companies	Husaini and Saiful
16.30-16.50	Non_26	Analysis of Effect of Investment Opportunity Set, Free Cash Flow, Corporate Governance and Firm Size on Debt Policy	Saiful, Baihaqi, and Alnita Iriani

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Time	Paper Code	Title	Presenter (S)
08.30-08.50	Non_25	Impact of Risk Evaluation on Auditor-Auditee Negotiation Outcome	Nurna Aziza, Andi Agus Salim, and Fransiskus Eduardus Daromes
08.50-09.10	Miicema Unib-88	Factors Associated With Auditor Choice: The Case of Kingdom of Saudi Arabia	Khaled Salmen Aljaaidi and Dr. Shamhrir Bin Abidin
09.10-09.30	Non_35	Seasoned Equity Offerings: Between Agency Theory, Windows Of Opportunity, and Firm Performance	Ridwan N, Fitri Santi, and Liana Deswita
09.30-09.50	Miicema Unib-22	The Effect of Capital Structure on Profitability: The Extended Analysis of Biotechnology Companies Listed on The Bursa Malaysia	Zuraidah Sipon And Nur Liyana Mohamed Yousop

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Track : Management - Marketing
Chairman : Nor Shahrul Nizam Binti Muhamad Nor

Time	Paper Code	Title	Presenter (S)
11.00-11.20	Miicema Unib-87	The Effect of Consumer Materialism Behavior Toward Consumer Purchase Decision on Private Label Products	Oliandes Sondakh, Amelia
11.20-11.40	Miicema Unib-100	A Cross-Cultural Testing The Applicability of Status Consumption In Indonesia and Malaysia	Arief Budiman and Aron O'cass
11.40-12.00	Miicema Unib-41	Investigating The 'Goldilocks Phenomenon' in Branding: What Size and What Place?	Jonathan A. J. Wilson and Jonathan Liu
12.00-12.20	Miicema Unib-12	Consumer Perception Towards Online Shopping: Case Study of Online Store in Bandung	Alia Widyarini Hapsariniaty, R. Aswin Rahadi, Siti Kania Mevianti, Siti Larissa Sarasvati and Tara Putri Paramitha

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Track : Management - Marketing
Chairman : Effed Darto Hadi

Time	Paper Code	Title	Presenter (S)
13.30-13.50	Miicema Unib-112	Branding Malaysia as 'Halal Hospitality': A Conceptual Paper	Nor Shahrul Nizam Bin Muhamad Nor and Norzaidi Bin Mohd Daud
13.50-14.10	Non_3	Consumer Etnocentrism on High Involvement and Low Involvement Products	Ferry Tema Atmaja, Lizar Alfansi, and Nova Astarina
14.10-14.30	Miicema Unib-76	Dilemma of Business Ethics: The Solution	Mohd Nor Bin Yahaya and Mr Azizul Hakim Bin Mashkuri
14.30-14.50	Non_40	Faktor-Faktor Yang Mempengaruhi Pengunjungan Pasar Raya Besar: Suatu Tinjauan di Sebuah Pasar Raya Besar di Melaka	Maisarah Ahmad, Leylawati Joremi, and Lim Eng Jiau

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Track : Management - Marketing
Chairman : Arif Budiman

Time	Paper Code	Title	Presenter (S)
15.30-15.50	Non_43	The Impact of Internal Marketing and Customer Orientation to Service Quality on Hospital Service Management	Effed Darta
15.50-16.10	Non-44	Consumers's Perception and Brand Image in Creating Brand Loyalty	Deni Pratama and Sularsih Anggarawati
16.10-16.30	Non-47	Marketing Study of Fisheries and Marine Products on Sea Coastal Management of Bengkulu City	Seprianti Eka Putri

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Track : Management - Marketing
Chairman : Jonathan A. J. Wilson

Time	Paper Code	Title	Presenter (S)
08.30-08.50	Miicema Unib-67	Effectiveness of Inventory Management of Minute Maid Pulpy Orange at Coca Cola Bottling Indonesia West Java Operation	Muhamad Luthfi Adi Prakosa
08.50-09.10	Non_56	The Influence of Customer Orientation Competitive Orientation, and Coordination Function of Cross Product Innovation (Case Study on Small and Medium Craft Aceh Industries.	Refa Ajrina Subhatin and Iskandarsyah Madjid
09.10-09.30	Non_57	An Analysis of Prospective Collegians Perception to Develop Marketing Opportunities of Higher Education in South Sumatera	Dewi Fadila
09.30-09.50	Miicema-98	How are China Fruit Perceived by Indonesia Consumer	Heny K Daryanto and Maryono
09.50-10.10	Miicema Unib-44	Consumer Ethnocentrism and Attitude Toward Domestic Product in Pekanbaru	Julina

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Track : Economics - Agriculture
Chairman : Roza Hazli Zakarya

Time	Paper Code	Title	Presenter (S)
11.00-11.20	Non_17	Factors Affecting Indonesian Potato Farmers Contracting Decision	Suprehatin
11.20-11.40	Non_23	How Indonesian Crude Palm Oil Export Demands Respond to Exchange Rate Volatility?: An Error Correction Model Approach	Ketut Sukiyono
11.40-12.00	Miicema Unib-82	Technical Efficiency And Input Productivity of Small and Medium Enterprises in The Malaysian Food Processing Industry	Yodfiatfinda, Mad Nasir Shamsudin, Zainalabidin Mohamed, Zulkornain Yusop, Alias Radam and Hanifah N. Lioe
12.00-12.20	Non_34	Development of Forest Area Society Participation In Business Activity Based on Environmental Conservation	Slamet Widodo

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Track : Economics - Social
Chairman : Ketut Sukiyono

Time	Paper Code	Title	Presenter (S)
13.30-13.50	Miicema Unib-11	How Instant Messaging Improves Real Life Interaction: Case Study of Blackberry User Group	R. Aswin Rahadi, Tara Putri Paramitha, Siti Larissa Sarasvati, Siti Kania Mevianti and Alia Widyarini Hapsariniaty.
13.50-14.10	Miicema Unib-95	Household Debt Decision: The Role of Aspiration, Social Comparisons and Attitude Towards Debt	Roza Hazli Zakaria and Noor Ismawati Mohd Jaafar
14.10-14.30	Non-55	Empowering Macro Business: Program Effectiveness Assessment of KPN in Lhokseumawe	Jasafat and M. Rida
14.30-14.50	Miicema Unib-56	Dampak Ekonomi Sektor Pariwisata di Provinsi Kepulauan Bangka Belitung	Ahmad Yani Hazir , Redzuan Othman, and Aulia Dedy Sayogo

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Track : Economics - Social
Chairman : Siti Mariam Ali

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15.30-15.50	Miicema Unib-23	Analysis of Life Insurance Demand in Malaysia	Zuraidah Sipon and Mohammad Izzat Farhan Che Hashim
15.50-16.10	Miicema Unib-28	Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises Development in The First Malaysia Plan Through The Tenth Malaysia Plan	Mohd Khairuddin Hashim and Sa'ari Ahmad
16.10-16.30	Miicema Unib-91	Studies on The Performance of Microfinance: Local Diversity	Retno Agustina Ekaputri
16.30-16.50	Non-53	The Challenges of Sustainable Transportation: Malaysian Experience	Rosliati Ramli

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Track : Economics
Chairman : Zuraidah Sipon

Time	Paper Code	Title	Presenter (S)
08.30-08.50	Miicema Unib-108	Empowering Women to Reduce Poverty Through Microfinance	Sulaeman Rahman Nidar
08.50-09.10	Non-45	An Integrated Model Proposed for Entrepreneurship Education and Development for Students in Bengkulu University	M Abduh
09.10-09.30	Non-48	Spatial Concentration of Manufacturing Industry in Java Island	M. Wahyuddin
09.30-09.50	Non-49	Strategy Behavior in The Economies of Coffee Farmers Using Protected Forests: Case Study in Protected Forest Bukit Pedinding Hill and Serdang Hill in Sub District Lebong	Praningrum

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Track : Economics - International Trade
Chairman : R. Aswin Rahadi

Time	Paper Code	Title	Presenter (S)
11.00-11.20	Miicema Unib-131	The Implementation of Export Subsidies Elimination by Developed Countries and It	Haryadi and Syaparuddin
11.20-11.40	Miicema Unib-135	Trade Flows of Agricultural Commodities of Indonesia Between Malaysia and China	Niken Larasati A, Abdhu Rochman Soleh and Qiki Qilang Syachbudy
11.40-12.00	Non_15	Determinants of Foreign Trade: A Comparative Study Between Indonesia and Malaysia	Zulkarnain Ishak
12.00-12.20	Miicema Unib-4	Bilateral Trade Relations of Malaysia and Saudi Arabia - an Analysis	Siti Mariam Ali and Norhalawah Ahmad

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Track : Economics - Moneter
Chairman : Retno Agustina Ekaputri

Time	Paper Code	Title	Presenter (S)
13.30-13.50	Miicema Unib-105	The Impact Fiscal Deficit and Macroeconomic Variables on Inflation in Indonesia	Marlina Widiyant, Mansor Jusoh, Md Zyadi Md Tahir, and Abdul Ghafar Ismail
13.50-14.10	Miicema Unib-64	Implication of SBI Interest Rates on Banking Industry in Indonesia	Ida Musdafia Ibrahim and Harries Madiistriyatno
14.10-14.30	Miicema Unib-17	An Optimal Model of Monetary and Fiscal Policy Interaction	Haryo Kuncoro and Dianta Sebayang

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Time	Paper Code	Title	Presenter (S)
15.30-15.50	Miicema Unib-52	Searching for Monetary Policy Indicators in Islamic Financial System	Zuriyati Binti Ahmad and Abdul Ghafar Ismail
15.50-16.10	Miicema Unib-117	Firm-Level Investment and Monetary Policy in a Small Open Economy: Evidence from Malaysia	Zulkefly Abdul Karim
16.10-16.30	Miicema Unib-132	Fiscal Sustainability, Public Debt, and Economic Growth	Haryo Kuncoro
16.30-16.50	Non_41	Foreign and Domestic Shocks: Macroeconomic Responses of Asean-3 Countries	Mohd Azlan Shah Zaidi, and Zulkefly Abdul Karim

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08.30-08.50	Miicema Unib-73	An Empirical Application to Regionalism on Asean Trade: A Temporal Cross-Section and Panel Analysis With The Gravity Model	Putu Mahardika A. Saputra
08.50-09.10	Non_18	Political Influence On Economic Decision-Making in Government-Owned Companies: A Qualitative Assessment	Mohd Fairuz Md. Salleh
09.10-09.30	Non_42	Public Spending and Health Service Performance in Indonesia	Yefriza
09.30-09.50	Non_22	The Disparity of Economic Development Among Provinces in The Region of South Sumatra in The Era of Regional Autonomy	Bambang Agoes Hermanto, Sri Hartika, and Moch. Ridwan

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Time	Paper Code	Title	Presenter
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11.20-11.40	Miicema Unib-7	Keberkesanan Menyeluruh Agihan Zakat: Kes Bantuan Modal Kepada Asnaf Fakir dan Miskin	Sanep Ahmad, Rosbi Ab Rahman and Hairunizam Wahid
11.40-12.00	Non-52	Islamic Bank Practices; Idealism and Reality	Imronudin
12.00-12.20	Non_39	A Conceptualization of The Cost of Equity of Islamic Banks	Radziah Abdul Latiff and Noreha Halid

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Track : Economics - Gender
Chairman : Zuriyati Binti Ahmad

Time	Paper Code	Title	Presenter (S)
13.30-13.50	Miicema Unib-129	Socioeconomic and Gender Differences in Access to Health Care in Malaysia: A Non-Linear Decomposition Approach	Zurina Binti Kefeli
13.50-14.10	Non_1	Female Workers Migration and Mistreatment in Malaysia: A Case of Housemaids from Central Java	Tjipto Subadi
14.10-14.30	Non_4	Gender Role Allocation in Selected Coffee Postharvest Activities in Rejanglebong and Lebong District, Bengkulu Province.	Handoko Hadiyanto
14.30-14.50	Non_31	Female Participation in The Labor Market in Bengkulu City	Roosemarina A. Rambe

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Track : Economics - Human Resources
Chairman : Handoko Hadianto

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15.50-16.10	Miicema Unib-120	Performance Comparison Civil Servants Region Before and After Expansion in The Province Riau	Jumiati Sasmita
16.10-16.30	Miicema Unib-50	Short and Long Run Causality Relationship Between Indonesian Human Resources and Investment Since 1985 until 2007	Agung Riyardi
16.30-16.50	Miicema Unib-53	Pengumpulan Modal Manusia dan Kesannya Terhadap Pertumbuhan Ekonomi	Nik Rayan Bt Nik Mat and Abdul Ghafar Ismail



Keynote Speech¹

“BORDERLESS ECONOMY: OPPORTUNITIES AND CHALLENGES FOR BUSSINESS IN SOUTHEAST ASIA”

Bengkulu, October 13th, 2011

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*Bismillahirrahmanirrahim,
Asslamu'alaikum warahmatullahi wabarakatuh,
Distinguished Guests, Ladies and Gentlemen,*

I am honored to be here today having a very rare opportunity to speak in this very special conference with the theme: *“Borderless Economy: Opportunities and Challenges for Business in Southeast Asia”*.

Borderless economy which is come from globalization was developed after the end of Cold War and accelerated through every country in the world. What was happened in economy of one country is no longer affect the country itself; it could affect another country both in positive and negative aspects.

The globalization term was acquired rapidly in the 1980s, but the concept is an old one that increasing known after World War II. Globalization means an increasingly integrated world economy, due to the systematic reduction of obstacles in worldwide trade as well as rapid advances in technologies and communcations. The globalization has not only covered international trade in goods and services, but also in exchanges of currencies, in capital movements, in technology transfer, in people moving through international travel and migration, and in international flows of information and ideas. National economies are rapidly being integrated into the world economy. The process can also take place through regional co-operation such NAFTA, AFTA, EU and ASEAN Economic Community (AEC).

Distinguished Guests, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Before I discuss, the oppotunities and challenges fof borderless economy, let me briefly touch the current economy situation. I would like to use the IMF words in describing the world economic situation. It says that the world economy has entered a dangerous new phase, despite all measures taken by advance economies in mitigating the world financial crisis in 2008.

According to September 2011 IMF World Economic Outlook that released revised projection, the projection of world economic growth in 2011 and 2012 have been cut by 0.3 percent and 0.5 percent respectively. This Outlook also revised down the economic growth for advanced in 2011 by 0.6 percent and b 0.7 percent in 2012. The bleak world economy

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projection also confirmed by Concensus Forecast. It estimates that the probability of stagnancy or double-dip scenario increase to 60 percent in September 2011, compared to 30-40 percent in July 2011. Moreover, the prospects of advanced economies and the world also face downside risks, depending on how euro area resolve the their financial crisis and whether the softening activity of US economy endure further blows, for example, a weak housing market.

With the back drop of current advanced economy situation and intensified of the crisis in US and Euro, prospects of emerging economies have become more uncertain although their growth rates remain considerably strong. The Fund has cut the growth projection of emerging economies in 2011 is slightly revised down by 0.2 percent and by 0.3 percent in 2012. The growth rate of ASEAN is also revised down by 0.1 percent in both years.

The weaker economic growth, for sure, press down the growth of world trade volume. The IMF outlook in September 2011 cut the growth rates of world trade volume by 0.7 percent in 2011 and 0.9 percent in 2012.

Distinguished Guests, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Globalization has made trade between countries more openness and trade linkage between countries event stronger. This cause the measurement impact of worsening economy in one country not only base on direct trade but also depend on input between countries. As we are aware, EU and US tradings play important role in world tradee volume. Therefore, discouraging economic situation in US and Euro zone will put huge challenges to emerging economies, including ASEAN, since demand of US and Euro zone for goods and services from emerging economies will decline. But, this challenging environment have also give opportunity for ASEAN countries to escalate the trade among them. This opportunity is widely opened due to by the fact that share intra trade ASEAN continues to grow from 23 percent in 2005 to 26 percent in 2008.

With these backgrounds, the need of regional cooperation and the most actual issues in ASEAN so called ASEAN Economic Community become more relevant. ASEAN economic integration will bring all of us to a more open economy intra regionally.

There are two broad reasons of the need to integrate ASEAN market. First, the economic links between ASEAN countries are strong and can be stronger through greater market integration. Around 24.5 percent of total ASEAN trade is done between ASEAN members, and 11.2 percent of ASEAN Foreign Direct Investments are intra-ASEAN. We believe that the integration of ASEAN will able to boost the region's GDP and also reduce the operating costs, so it will improve global competitiveness of ASEAN market compare to other regions. In addition, it will also prevent marginalization of individual markets. The second reason, it will induce greater efficiency through increase in economies of scale, and strengthen stability through diversity of players. Moreover, greater market will attract attention of global investors. Thus, local companies can use this advantage to issue more securities to finance their business; it will enhance economic growth. On the other side, local investors will have more choices of investment portfolios. Therefore, the benefits of ASEAN market integration are clear.

Distinguished speakers and chairpersons, Honorable guests, Ladies and Gentlemen

With the increasingly interlinking world economy, there are almost no boundaries between countries, as results competitiveness increase rapidly and it generates complexities of products especially in financial products. Besides giving benefits, the integration of financial markets also give a challenge for ASEAN countries, especially in the current situation when massive capital flows enter the emerging countries. Normal capital inflow is something that should be welcomed by emerging countries, but there are cases when excessive short-term capital flow could disturb sound economic management. Nowadays, capital inflow has been one of the major concerns of emerging market economies since it

affects both macroeconomic management and financial stability. Many emerging markets are facing difficulties to cope with large capital inflows.

Massive capital inflows give significant pressure to currency appreciation and deteriorate competitiveness of export. For instance, as of September 2011, Thailand Bath appreciated around 0.9 percent (*ytd*), while Malaysian Ringgit 3.2 percent, Singapore Dollar 6.1 percent, Philippine Peso 4 percent, and Indonesian Rupiah 5 percent. Capital inflows also give a considerable impact to the capital market as reflected in the spectacular rally of stock prices index in the last several months. This situation is fuelling fears of speculative bubbles in the capital markets of the region.

In respond to those situations, both the government and central bank of each country are trying to introduce some policies to manage capital inflows and its exchange rate. For example, it delivers by imposing withholding tax, intervening foreign exchange market, and other administrative restrictions. From this point, ASEAN countries need to collaborate in managing excessive capital inflows. Policy coordination among the authorities will minimize the negative impact of capital inflows. Therefore, financial system stability in the ASEAN countries remains manageable and the region's economic recovery will continue.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

How about the banking system? Empirical evidence shows that financial sector development, especially banking sector, has a strong correlation with economic development. From this sense, the ASEAN economic or market integration will promote banking sector development in the region through banking globalization. Until the early 1990s, most banks only have national operational activities, afterwards globalization of the banking industry grows rapidly, including to emerging countries. The globalization of the banking industry can be in the form of cross border ownership, operation, and market shares. Nowadays, we can easily find foreign banks not only from developed countries but also from ASEAN countries in our big cities.

The globalization of the banking industry certainly has several positive impacts on the banking industry in each country. Those can be in the form of long term capital inflow, improve intermediary's capacity, and promote better competitiveness and efficiency of the banking industry through the implementation international best practices, transfer of knowledge and technology. Meanwhile, globalization of banking industry would also pose some challenges that need to be addressed, not only by each individual country but together as a region such as ASEAN Countries. The main challenges will be the need of adequate bank supervision for cross border activities banks to protect each nation and regional economies from the adverse impacts from financial crises.

We realize that under banking globalization, adverse shocks that hit one country will affect other countries, yielding business cycle synchronization on both the real sector and financial system. To address those challenges, we need to focus on strengthening banking supervision function for banks with cross border ownership and business activities, through both internal supervision by owner or parent bank as well as cross border supervision by the host and parent banking supervisory authorities. Thus, we need to strengthen cross border supervision among ASEAN Countries. Moreover, in order to avoid the pro-cyclical nature of financial crises, financial authorities need to adopt correct prudential regulations, encourage larger liquidity and capital buffers.

In order to strengthen and reform the banking and financial sector, Bank Indonesia is in the process of reformulating the policies to lay strong foundation for Indonesia's banking system, with the objectives: (a) Strengthening banking system resilience through improving regulation, enhancing banking supervisory practices, reforming competition, and deepening financial markets, (b) Strengthening banking intermediation role through reformulating regulation and provision of supporting infrastructure, including reserve requirement and credit information, (c) Enhancing the role of shariah banking in the economy and its resilience, including provision to encourage capital raising and measures to address the shortage of skilled human resource, and (d) Enhancing the role of rural credit bank in micro financing and its resilience, including provision to encourage the strengthening of capital and addressing the shortage of skilled human resources.

Distinguished Guests, Ladies, and Gentlemen,

I am certain that through commitment, active participation, and strings of coordination among ASEAN countries, we are able to face the various risks and challenges mentioned.

Before closing, allow me to express my appreciation and sincere gratitude to all speakers for their willingness to share their expertise and knowledge. I would also like give my utmost appreciation to Organizing Committee of Malaysia – Indonesia International Conference on Economic, Management, and Accounting to make this conference and meeting possible.

Finally, let me wish you all good health and prosperity, and I hope that you find this conference interesting and beneficial.

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TOURISM INDUSTRY IN SOUTHEAST ASIA

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Excellencies,
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Ladies and gentlemen,

It is indeed a great honor and pleasure of mine to address this significant international gathering. First of all, I would like to extend my sincerest gratitude to Prof. Lizar Alfansi, chair of organizing committee and University of Bengkulu for inviting me to share my perspective with you regarding to Tourism Industry in Southeast Asia.

Ladies and gentlemen, I would like to start my presentation with a short yet meaningful statement of the third president of United States of America, Thomas Jefferson. He said,

“Traveling makes a man wiser. . .”

I strongly agree that to be wise enough we have to get out of our little boxes, and take the chances to explore things around us, and take advantages of the opportunity that we have to widen our knowledge through others' experiences, cultures, living and learning. We could just be able to achieve that through travel and tourism.

According to the history, wealthy people have always traveled to distant parts of the world, to see great buildings, works of arts, learn new languages, experience new cultures, and taste different cuisines. Nowadays, traveling is not just for wealthy people, but anyone could experience it, all of us, and it is one of the most important components of our lives.

Tourism is defined as a composite of activities services, and industries that delivers a travel experience to individuals and groups traveling fifty (50) miles or more from their homes for purpose of pleasure.

IMPORTANCE OF TOURISM

Nowadays, tourism has become a popular global leisure activity. It is vital for many countries such as France, Egypt, Greece, United States, Spain, Italy, and Southeast Asian countries. Recently bringing together all the countries of Southeast Asia and getting them to cooperate in securing the region's peace, stability and development, Association of Southeast Asian Nation (ASEAN) has been founded. It involves 10 countries such as Thailand,

Indonesia, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Vietnam and Laos PDR. With my presentation, I would just inform you that when I mention Southeast Asia and ASEAN, I am pertaining in the same thing, the Southeast Asian countries.

Tourism industry has experienced a rapid growth and gained an importance in the economy. It is a large exchange earner after manufacturing. Travel and tourism plays an important role in economic activity in most countries around the world.

Southeast Asian countries are all blooming; there are lots of beauties and amazing spots to be proud of when it comes to tourism industry, like **Brunei** that almost seventy percent of the country is covered by grand mosques, river journeys and virgin rainforests but becoming amazing spots. We have **Cambodia** as a well-preserved country. It has a rich culture dating back many centuries when the Angkor Civilization was the region's most developed. The Angkorian temples have attracted archaeologist and fascinated tourists. Indonesia also offers the blend of scenic beauty, flora and fun, culture and marine parks. The naturist beauty and hospitable people of **Indonesia**, also captivates people. The mountainous country of **Laos PDR** retains a remarkable serenity and timeless charm. In the heart of Southeast Asia also lies one of the world's most enhancing lands-**Malaysia**. **Myanmar** also has a rich culture and historical heritage with great places to visit. The **Philippines** as a bejeweled archipelago with over 7,107 islands-sun-drenched islands, beautiful beaches, and magnificent landscapes. **Singapore** as a dynamic city, rich in contrast and colour where you'll find a very harmonious culture, cuisine, arts and architecture. The rewarding country of **Thailand** offers lot of opportunities of sightseeing, accommodations, dining and shopping; the travelers will find plenty to appreciate. **Vietnam** attracts travelers with its cool upland, mountains, untouched coastal stretches, thriving cities, and the relaxed capital Hanoi. We already have resources, well-preserved cultures, beautiful and head turner natural resources, and interesting history. I could even say that we already have the main ingredients in increasing our Tourism Industry, but what we need now is "Strategies"

Currently, tourism is the most important sector and major source of foreign exchange earnings in every country. Tourism has played a significant role to economy and also leads to the expansion in some linking industries such as hotels, restaurants, transportation, retails, shops, and souvenirs and so forth. All of these contributions cause the growth of employment, export, investments as well as the government expenditure.

Tourism remains a global industry. In 2008, tourism arrivals totaled 922 million, and it was in year 2009 when the World Tourism Organization projected modest growth. In its first meeting last January 28, 2009 in Madrid the WTO Resilience Committee declared that tourism could play a major role stimulus programs because of "its immense capacity for creating jobs and its recovery potential."

Many developing countries perceive tourism as a fast track to economic growth. They assume that tourism development requires less investment than other industries. Indeed, tourism is very important to our people simply because of the followings.

First, it's a major job generator as a labour-intensive industry. It can boost the economy by generating jobs. Today the travel and tourism industry with 1.4 million jobs accounts 4.1 percent of jobs in the economy. This includes employment by hotels, travel agents, airlines and other passenger transportation services; it also includes the activities of restaurants and leisure industries directly supported by tourists. By 2021, Tourism will account for 12.1 million jobs directly, an increase of 3.2 million and its 35.3 percent over the next ten years. *(World Travel and Tourism Council-2011 Key Facts)*

Table 1. Travel and Tourism's Total Contribution to Employment 2011
(World Travel and Tourism Council League Table Extract)

1 North East Asia	71,839,000.8
2 South Asia	45,595,000.3
3 Southeast Asia	25,853,000.7
4 North America	22,618,000.9

Southeast Asia ranked 3 with 25, 853,000.7 contributions to world's employment at present. (2011). Looking at this closely we could say that ranked 1-3 are just within the boundaries of ASIA.

Second, it increases foreign exchange income. Tourism is a major dollar earner and every dollar we earn from tourism is classified as exports in the country's book of accounts. Malaysia was using \$100 million and it's producing \$14 billion and Indonesia was using \$15 million to produce \$5.35 billion. According to the data from UN in 2009, the profit gained from tourism in Asia Pacific region was \$2.6 billion. *(Source: October 28, 2009, Bali News Editor)*

In year 2009 Indonesia received 6.5 million visitors. It's a growth of 0.4 percent compared to 2008, and during the period of January-December of 2010 it reached the total revenue of 7.6 billion dollar. Bali received a total 2.3 million foreign visitors who, together are estimated to have contributed US\$ 2.7 billion in foreign exchange to Bali's economy. *(Source: February 8, 2010, Tourism Indonesia)*

Table 2. Travel and Tourism's Total Contribution to GDP 2011
(World Travel and Tourism Council League Table Extract)

1 North America	US \$1,569,000.68
2 European Union	US \$1,248,000.03
3 Northeast Asia	US \$1,071,000.52
4 Latin America	US \$ 329,000.62
5 Other Europe	US \$ 287,000.29
6 Southeast Asia	US \$ 223,000.53

This data provides ranking highlighting comparisons with competing destinations; Southeast Asia ranked 6 with 223,000.53 US billion dollars in terms of its total contribution to the world's GDP.

Third, tourism benefits all places, specifically Southeast Asian countries once they are integrated by adequate infrastructures into the loop of tourism development. Tourism enables us to become more competitive in this vital global industry. This importance pertains to the improvements of different corners, certain countries in connection to infrastructure improvement, accommodations and tourist spots maintenance and it also benefits other nearby Southeast Asian countries especially when we promote an easy travel from one Southeast Asian country to another, for example, travelers of Indonesia could also visit and travel to Malaysia, and could also visit the nearby country such as Thailand and so forth.

CURRENT TOURISM INDUSTRY IN SOUTHEAST ASIA

We are all aware that tourism is a long established economy activity in Southeast Asia, dating back to the turn of the nineteenth and twentieth century, though mass tourism is a relatively recent phenomenon that largely began in the 1970's. The industry grew slowly for decades, but by the 1980's East Asia, Southeast Asia and the Pacific were experiencing the most rapid growth in tourism arrivals in the world, averaging 9.2 percent per annum. *(June 2008, Nordic Institute of Asian Studies Press, p.368)*

Southeast Asia is rich in culture, nature, history and tradition. Tourism has become a significant source of revenue for countries throughout Southeast Asia. Millions of travelers from North and South America, Europe, Australia, New Zealand, and other parts of Asia visit the nations of Southeast Asia each year.

Table 3. Estimated Number of Tourist Annually
(Selected information from Southeast Asia countries)

Year Destination	Number of Visitors (Million)			
	2007	2008	2009	2010
Malaysia	21	23.6	23.7	24.5
Thailand	14.5	14.2	14.1	15.9
Singapore	10.2	10.1	9.6	11.6
Indonesia	5.5	6.4	6.5	7.0

Source: From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

Malaysia is the top tourist destination in Southeast Asia. About 24.5 million foreign visitors spent \$16 billion in Malaysia in year 2010. Thailand has the second largest tourism industry in Southeast Asia. About 15.5 million foreign visitors spent 19.5 billion dollars in Thailand in the same year. Singapore comes next, followed by Indonesia.

The development of Southeast Asia's tourism is clearly manifested throughout the years, ASEAN tourism performed an outstanding growth in 2010 with the total international arrivals of more than 73 million an increase of 11 percent compared to 2009. Intra-ASEAN travel was the major source market for the region with share of 47 percent in 2010.

Let's take a look in the tourism industry of Malaysia in terms of INTRA-ASEAN Travel. Malaysia received **11.87 million** visitors in 2010; Singapore remains the key source of tourist visitors to Malaysia with 6.29 million visitors followed by Indonesia with 1.25 million, next is Thailand with 712,410 travelers, next to it is Brunei with 578,636 visitors and China including Hong Kong and Macau sent 516,160 tourists and India with 359,461.

Table 4. Total Number of Visitors Arrived in Malaysia in 2010

RANK	COUNTRY	Total No. Of visitors
1	SINGAPORE	6.29 M
2	INDONESIA	1.25 M
3	THAILAND	712,410
4	BRUNEI	578,636
5	CHINA (inc. Hong Kong and Macau)	516,160
6	INDIA	359,461

Source: Oct.2010, Malaysia Tourism report Q4 2010, Business Monitor Intl, pp.5

Singapore, Indonesia and Thailand are important sources of visitors for the country of Malaysia. Even in Indonesia, Singapore is well known for its efficiency to send most tourists to country of Indonesia, followed by Japan and Malaysia.

So far in 2010, there is a rapid growth in tourism industry and it is the reflection of the region's blooming and diversified economies. When it comes to tourism industry we have to consider the impression of our main client, the people. We have to consider the big question "What do tourists look for?" When we are deciding about where to go, either a trip overseas or within the country. We consider how impressive the countries are, with regards to environments which includes scenic coastal lines, alpine or heritage, also the climate cultures, type of accommodation, societies and different activities that catch visitors' attention such as walking in a scenic area, hiking in the green and famous mountains, observing art works and also architectures, sports, livelihood experiences such as farming and fishing. When we talk about the interest and impression of the people, somehow we are also pertaining to the kind of tourism that we want to offer to the people.

We have the **Healthcare Tourism** that attracts people to visit our country, especially when there is significant price difference among countries for a given medical procedure. **Creative Tourism** is also a kind of tourism, which is related to the active participation of the culture of the host community, through informal learning or interactive workshops, like farming, fishing, and producing specialty products of a certain place. We could also have the **Educational Tourism**, wherein the focus of the tourists here aside from visiting another country is learning. Learning about the culture such as in Student Exchange Programs and Study Tours, or any work that requires the application of the skills learned inside the classroom in a different and real environment. We should consider also the **Ecotourism**, this kind of tourism is committed in promoting natural and cultural conservation, and it aims to inspire visitors through having interesting activities that are related to ecotourism involving activities such as scuba diving, hiking, cave visitation, mountaineering, cultural and historical site visitation.

Strong economic growth in Asia is attributed to a focus on market reforms. Billions of dollars are being poured into the tourism infrastructures to accommodate the Asian tourism industry.

Technological developments have significantly impacted the travel industry in the Southeast Asia region and will continue to do so over the next decade.

In light of the increasingly competitive situation in the Southeast Asia region, traditional methods of marketing a destination to masses has yielded to more focused marketing segmentation strategies and themed campaigns.

For example, Philippines with its “**WOW Philippines**” campaign, Indonesia with the tag line “**Wonderful Indonesia**” Malaysia with the slogan “**Malaysia is Truly Asia**” and even Thailand started the trend towards international and nationwide events when it launched “Visit Thailand Year 1987” to celebrate the Thai King’s 60th birthday. The new marketing slogan which was adopted in mid 2009, “**Amazing Thailand, Amazing Value**” seemed to help the trend for 2009 and the first few months of 2010 up to the present.

TOURISM INDUSTRY GROWTH IN THAILAND

Thailand is very famous of its impressive historical sites, its beautiful beaches, its scenic countryside, with gentle, polite, and genuinely friendly people. That is why sales promotion activities are used at present for tourism marketing; such as, Thai Tourism Festival, Amazing Two Coasts, Amazing Isan Fair, and One Night One Price Campaign. The target for tourism in 2010 was 90 million trips, an increase of 3.38 percent with income of 430,000 million baht, an increase of 5.5 percent. (Source: *Thailand Tourism overview for 2009 and Tourism goals and trends for 2010, Wednesday, January 27, 2010*)

Nowadays, compared to the last decade, Thai tourism accounts for nearly 7 percent of Thailand’s GDP. **Thailand is the 18th most visited country in the world with 15 million tourists annually.** How tourism industry in Thailand develops its strategy? If you have this question in mind, I could share Thailand’s experiences in terms of tourism industry. It was in year 2008; Thailand experienced a global crisis and political turmoil that resulted the inbound tourists, with a decrease of 16 percent in the first half of 2009. The greatest decline included visitors from Northeast Asia, followed by Americas and Oceania. In August 2009, tourism in Thailand has been showing clear signs of recovery. The decline of 5 percent in August, has switched to a growth of more than 10 percent in September and October. From the month of September, there were clear signs of recovery and normalization in all adversely affected markets. Here are some factors that support the recovery of Thai tourism; **First** is the stability of Thai political situation. **Second** is the less-than-feared severity of the flu outbreak. **Third** are the economic stimulus measures such as the exemption of visa fees and take-off and landing fees. **Fourth** is the marketing campaigns implemented by Tourism Authority of Thailand (TAT) since July, 2009, this includes the restoration of Thailand’s image, promotions regarding Value-for-Money visits to Thailand, provisions of accurate information about the situation in Thailand, partnerships in terms of travel programs and sales promotional advertisements.

In 2010, TAT promoted tourism in a way what would create the trend for travel and tourism all year-round, and brought revenue to the country from both domestic and overseas

tourist market. The focus to be promoting Thailand as **“a quality tourist destination that offers good varieties, memorable and impressive experiences”** through operations in three key aspects, which were overseas marketing, domestic marketing, and support for the marketing

I. OVERSEAS MARKETING

Overseas tourism promotion in the year 2010 focused on proactive operation by promoting the good value for money of the “7 Wonders of Amazing Thailand” tourism products through the “Amazing Thailand, Amazing Value” campaign, along with the market protection by reviving Thailand’s image and tourists’ confidence, as well as building existing customers’ loyalty using “Customer Relationship Management: CRM”. This also included the penetration of quality markets and efficiency in the use of online media to promote tourism. The main strategies were as follows:

1. Strengthening the Thailand Brand

This was to revive and promote the positive image of the brand “Thailand”, increase the awareness, and emphasize the positioning of the brand “Thailand” through the “Amazing Thailand, Amazing Value” campaign. Highlighted activities/projects were:

- 1.1 Stimulate travel and tourism by publicizing Thailand’s image through popular television, printed and online media.
- 1.2 Support for the hosting of the pre-pageant preparation for the finalists of “Miss Poland 2009” during October 5-17, 2009, and support for “Miss Belgium 2010”, by facilitating the beauty contestants’ seclusion trip and their visits to tourist attractions in Thailand, as well as participation in various tourism activities.
- 1.3 Invited overseas media traveled to Thailand to inspect and experience Thailand’s tourism products and services, and participated in a product seminar focusing on four future selling points, including Health and Wellness, Experience, Community Based, and Luxury.
- 1.4 Publicize Thailand through “Celebrities” by working in partnership to organize the Tennis PTT Thailand Open 2010 during September 25 to October 3, 2010. Participated by Rafael Nadal, the number 1 world-ranking tennis champion. Before the tournament, Rafael Nadal had selected Thailand for his holiday and preparation, which confirmed that Thailand was ready to welcome international tourists, as well as be the best holiday destination.

- 1.5 Produce advertising brochures to promote tourism attractions covering the 76 provinces in Thailand, which included information about tourist attractions, maps of key attractions, accommodations, tourism activities.

2. Expanding the Quality Tourist Market

The objective was to increase the number of high-end tourists by strengthening the awareness of medical tourism, honeymoon attractions and wedding venues, filming locations, souvenir shopping and golf spots, among the target market. The activities and projects were:

- 2.1 The “Director Trip to Thailand” Project, in cooperation with the National Federation of Thai Film Associations, was to create the trend for travel to Thailand and awareness of Thailand’s readiness to be a filming location. Actors, producers, and directors from Korea, India, and Hong Kong were invited to Thailand to spend their holidays and inspect the country’s readiness.
- 2.2 Present Thailand at world-class tourism promotional events, targeting quality tourist and special interest markets. TAT encouraged Thai tourism operators to participate in worldwide events; such as, the Quality Travel Fair 2010 in Copenhagen, Denmark, the World Medical Tourism & Global Health Congress in the USA.
- 2.3 Organizing the “Amazing Thailand Road Show”, targeting the Health and Wellness markets, by inviting Thai tourism operators (sellers) to meet and discuss business with international buyers worldwide to open a new market.

3. Protecting the Leisure Tourist Market Base

The objective was to secure Thailand’s market share in Asia by maintaining the existing customer base (repeater) while expanding into a new market (first-time visitor). The activities and projects were as follows:

- 3.1 Present Thailand at world-class tourism promotional events encourages Thai tourism operators to meet and discuss business with international buyers, and to publicize Thailand’s positive image.
- 3.2 The “72 Hours in Thailand” Project, which presented Thailand’s selling point as a good value-for-money “Holiday break Destination”.
- 3.3 The “Amazing Thailand Card” Project, which distributed the Amazing Thailand cards to overseas tourists in six markets; namely, the UK, France, Germany, Switzerland, Italy, and the Middle East to offer special privileges for traveling to Thailand, by means of discounts/special bonuses on tourism products and services for the cardholders.

- 3.4 The “Passport to Amazing Thailand” which prepared a book for collecting “Passport” stamps to attract repeat visits from Scandinavian tourists. The books were distributed to sponsors and alliances, and at various promotional events.

4. Increasing Thailand’s Potential and Competitiveness

The objective was to increase the efficiency of TAT and its alliances to compete in the global market by developing an efficient online system and applying contemporary media.

- 4.1 Increase a Tourism Information Channel Through Call Center 1672, by opening the “1672 Tourist Hotline Video Call Center” online on www.tourismthailand.org, in addition to a telephone enquiry. Tourists could directly contact the staff for tourism information online through a “Live Chat” system in both Thai and English.
- 4.2 Support for Public Relations of Flight Inaugurations and Increase in Numbers of Flights to Thailand; such as, the launches of new routes- Incheon – Bangkok by Jin Air, Korea Market; Jakarta – Phuket by Air Asia, Indonesia Market; Singapore – Krabi by Tiger Airways, Singapore Market.
- 4.3 Increase the Tourism Market Potential through the online community on www.facebook.com/amazingthailand opened since September 2009.
- 4.4 The “TAT Digital Party” Project was set up to promote the tourism industry through the online market by applying the “Digital Marketing” strategy as a concept to introduce an information technology system to the tourism industry.
- 4.5 Create a “Trip Planner” Program on www.tourismthailand.org was set up to help tourists plan their own travel, from selecting tourist attractions, hotels, restaurants, and shopping areas, by printing the plan out to carry with them throughout their journey.

II. DOMESTIC MARKETING

The TAT’s tourism promotion in terms of domestic marketing in the year 2010 focused on work that had benefits on both the economic and social dimensions. Highlighted operations could be summarized as follows:

1. Building a Trend for tourism to Become a Part of Life

To create an attitude among Thai people that tourism was part of their lives and stimulate Thais to travel more for tourism. Important activities were:

- 1.1 Domestic advertisements and public relations under the campaign, “Bustling Thai Tourism, Burgeoning Thai Economy”, through various types of media to the target markets: such as, government officials, state enterprise officials, high-income workers.
- 1.2 Organized media familiarization trips to introduce tourist attractions and services of various provinces in all regions, and promoted activities organized in the areas of responsibility of the TAT domestic offices.
- 1.3 Produced both online and offline provincial tourism maps to be disseminated in brochures and on the TAT website for general tourists.
- 1.4 Supported the private sector at three promotional events, the 17th Discovery Thailand Fair, the 18th Discovery Thailand Fair, and the Amazing Thailand Fair.

2. Promoting Linkage Tourism

To encourage Thai tourists to travel more inside and outside the regions. Important activities included:

- 2.1 Amazing I-san Fair 2010, which was held during February 18-21, 2010, in Bangkok.
- 2.2 I-san Revisit 2010, was held during January 26-30, 2010, in Khon Kaen Province
- 2.3 The “Charm of the Royal Coast” Project (Mon Sane Thale Wang) to promote linkage tourism of tourist attractions in the provinces of Samut Sakhon, Samut Songkhram, Phetchaburi and Prachuap Khiri Khan.
- 2.4 The East-West Corridor Tourism Route Project to encourage more linkage tourism with the neighboring countries, by promoting through MCOT radio advertisements, and organizing an “East-West Corridor” tourism route caravan tour from Sukhothai to Phitsanulok, Khon Kaen, and Nakhon Phanom Provinces.

3. Creating a Perception of the Areas' Uniqueness

To create a clear image of each area for tourists to see the areas' differences and to be more interested in traveling there. Important activities included:

- 3.1 The Various Styles of Tours in the Central Region: "Nowhere Else is Newer" Project to promote the different travel styles of the central region, by inviting actors, artists, and celebrities to share their experiences and points of view about new tourist attractions in the central region.
- 3.2 The "A Hundred Stories...about the South" Project to present the identity of the arts, culture, religion, and seas of the Southern region, by joining the alliances to organize tour programs for group tours. Tourist from other regions who joined the program were brought to visit the southern part of Thailand.

4. Campaigning for Tourism with Awareness in Its Value and Preserving Tourist Attractions

To raise the awareness of preserving the environment (nature, history, and culture) and encourage Thai people to be good hosts and tourists. Important projects included:

- 4.1 The TAT's 50th Anniversary Project to campaign for Thai people to be aware of, and take part in, preserving and sustaining Thailand's tourist attractions.
- 4.2 The Tourism with Awareness in Its Value to Preserve the North Project to raise awareness of sustainable tourism and promote the right approach for travel and tourism.
- 4.3 The "Nature Heal" Project to promote activities that help to preserve the environment and natural resources, and publicize the activities to tourists.

5. Promoting Tourism in the Dimension of Learning

To encourage Thai people to embrace an attitude of traveling to increase their knowledge. Important projects included:

- 5.1 The "Caring for the Southern Youth" Project on National Children's Day, taking 100 underprivileged students from Phuket, Nakhon Si Thammarat, and Songkhla Provinces on an educational trip to tourist attractions in Bangkok.
- 5.2 The "Fish Habitat Cleaning in the Trang Sea" Project – to campaign for tourism with awareness in its value and preserve tourist attractions, and to stimulate a sense of being a good host. Activities included the cleaning of the fish habitat, involving 200

Thai and foreign divers, garbage collection on Pak Meng Beach by 242 local villagers and students.

- 5.3 The “Western Forest Cultural Route” Project – to promote tourism for learning for the family and self-drive groups, featuring a caravan tour along the Western Forest cultural route, or “Return the Orchids to the Forest, Return the Fish to the River”

III. SUPPORT FOR THE MARKETING OPERATIONS

TAT’s support for the marketing operations in the year 2010 focused on supporting and promoting tourism products and services that offered high quality with good value and created added value, as well as supporting the organization of tourism events in all parts of the country to reflect the clear image, identity, or selling points of each area. In addition, priority was given to proactive database development, personnel development, and key organizational management system. In summary, highlighted performances were as follow:

1. Promoting Tourism Products and Services That Support the Thailand Brand

To explore, select, and promote quality tourism products and services, and give importance to social and environmental tourism that would lead to sustainable tourism.

- 1.1 Produce Tourism Product Guidebooks to reflect an image of the tourism area.
- 1.2 The Project to Produce Guidebooks of 50 Green Destinations in Thailand ready to be presented at the TAT’s 2011 Marketing Action Plan meeting.
- 1.3 Compile and Prepare the Information on Environmentally - friendly Tourism Management according to the 7 Greens Concept. The information was used as a source to produce a manual for distribution to relevant people for further concrete action.
- 1.4 Publicize and Organize Exhibitions/Activities to Promote the “Declaration of the Environmental Protection Program for Sustainable Tourism according to the 7 Greens Concept” to interested tourists and tourism-related business operators.
- 1.5 Promote Thai Traditional Education Products and Services for Tourism by producing a manual of Thai cooking schools and an Education Tourism Thailand 2010 manual for distribution to tour operators in the areas under the six target TAT overseas offices.

2. Promoting and Creating Tourism Activities. Important operations included:

- 2.1 Organizing 29 Activities to Stimulate Travel for Tourism; such as, Lai Rueda Fai Festival in Nakhon Phanom Province, Bang Fai Phaya Nak (Naga Fireballs) Festival at the end of

the Buddhist Lent in Nong Khai Province, Underwater Wedding Ceremony in Trang Province.

- 2.2 Organizing Activities to Promote the Country's Images; such as, the SWATCH FIVB Beach Volley World Tour in Phuket Province, the Royal Trophy Europe vs Asia Golf Championship in Chon Buri Province, Honda LPGA Thailand 2009 in Chon Buri Province, Thailand Ladies Open 2009 in Samut Prakan Province.

3. Developing the Databases

To have in-depth information for developing a strategic tourism plan. Important projects included:

- 3.1 The Project to Survey the Tourism Attitudes and Behavior of Thais Living in Bangkok and the Greater Bangkok to support the preparation of the marketing strategy plan and tourism products.
- 3.2 The Project to Survey the Attitudes and Satisfaction of Foreign Tourists in the Emerging and Major Markets to support TAT's formulation of tourism promotional strategies and plans to maintain the existing customers and expand into new markets.

4. Increasing the Organization's Potential

To develop the TAT's staff capability and the organizational management system to be as efficient as an international standard.

Today, Thailand is promoting itself as an international destination and the gateway to other Indochinese countries such as, Vietnam, Myanmar, Cambodia, Malaysia, and Singapore (McNeil, 1997)

FACTORS INFLUENCING TOURISM INDUSTRY

A number of factors are responsible for the rapid growth and the development of the tourism industry in the Asia Pacific region. These include the **strong economic growth** - so we could provide funds for the improvement of infrastructures, accommodations and other utilities that must be affordable, it could increase the numbers of tourists; **breakdown of political barriers** - politics affects tourism especially when certain country creates barriers from another country that's why we have to build up good relationship and cooperation with each SEA countries; **easing of travel restrictions** as much as possible to welcome more tourists; **liberalization of air transport** for easy travel could also boost increasing in tourism industry including cheaper cause of flights, of course this could attract a lot of visitors and travelers; **focused marketing campaigns** - these could include various

strategies such as product exposition, positive articles and attractive panorama in magazines in any reading materials as well as in any form of advance technology. Television and advertising industry have become powerful tools in expanding materialistic values. There has been a remarkable increase of advertisements related to leisure and tourism activities in both prints and electronic media over recent years. Such powerful symbolic messages spreading through the mass media have certainly contributed to the change of attitudes towards work, leisure and tourism. Internet is also the most preferred medium to gather information by tourists, in 2008 more than 50 percent of the tourists gathered information from internet.

There are also other factors that are considered to have the greatest influence on tourist behaviors. These include weather conditions, economic environment, prices of products and services offered to tourists, and the period of leisure time spending at the visiting places. It is also interesting to note that the health scare such as SARS in 2003 and AH1N1 has much larger impact on tourist arrivals than political events.

For the well-off consumers, shopping has become a major popular leisure activity not only at their own country but also abroad. More than 50 percent of the expenditures are for shopping. The top two destinations for Thai outbound tourists are the regional shopping centers Hong Kong and Singapore, and about half of their expenditure is classified under souvenir purchases.

Mega-shopping centers which are proliferating in Asian cities and greenery and open spaces for outdoor recreation are also spectacular monuments of consumer culture and have become an important part of social life for urban families.

FACTORS AND STRATEGIES TO CONSIDER FOR FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF TOURISM INDUSTRY IN SOUTHEAST ASIAN COUNTRIES

It is necessary to predict what the future will hold by examining the current trends. By carefully studying what is happening at present and what is planned for the near future, we may be able to forecast something about tourism some distance ahead. According to the World Tourism ranking compiled by the United Nations World Tourism Organization (UNWTO), it was 2010, when Kuala Lumpur with 8.9 million tourists, Singapore with 8.6 million tourists, and Bangkok with 7.2 tourists ranked 5, 6 and 9 respectively in top 10 most visited cities. What does this information suggest to us? Why not we make Kuala Lumpur, Singapore, and Bangkok as a hub of tourism and traveling to Southeast Asia? How much benefit if we work on having direct flight from Western Countries for example USA to Bangkok, or Europe to Kuala Lumpur or Singapore? We could not just help these three cities

to rank higher than that in the year 2010 but we could also help almost every Southeast Asian country with this plan.

One of the best strategies is to promote INTRA-ASEAN TRAVEL; this would require cooperation and participation among Southeast Asian countries. ASEAN Tourism performed an outstanding growth in 2010 with total international arrivals of more than 73 million an increase of 11 percent compared to 2009. INTRA-ASEAN travel was the major source market for the region with share of 47 percent in 2010. (*Source: ASEAN Tourism Ministers Meeting 2010*)

To further improve tourism industry in each country particularly Southeast Asia countries, we also have to work on tourist attractions and activities that should be promoted and introduced through internet, reading materials, and other means of technology.

Organizing international activities and events could also attract visitors and tourists. Some examples of these activities are SEA GAMES in Indonesia, ASEAN Summit in Indonesia, World Expo in South Korea (2012), World Beach Games in Thailand and World Flora in Thailand. We could also include conventions for educational purpose and trips internationally.

Low-cost flights would attract great number of tourists, sometimes people consider first with "HOW MUCH?" rather than "WHAT IS IT?" Even we might experience a decrease with regards to income from international flights; I guess there would be a high increase to total tourist industry income. We could also promote ticket and accommodation reservation online or through internet which could be more convenient to those travelers who want to visit Southeast Asia.

Linkage to other nearby countries could also increase the number of visitors; this linkage could be possible through the improvement of land transportation by having high speed train that could provide a link from China to Vietnam, Laos PDR, Thailand, Malaysia and Singapore. This could attract tourists and make the travel more convenient, because it could have the privilege of travelling not just with a single country but in a big part of ASIA.

Acknowledging the importance of tourism as an economic engine and a tool for development and change, the ASEAN Tourism Strategic Plan (ATSP) 2011-2015 was endorsed by the ASEAN Tourism Ministers at their 14th Meeting as the successor of the Roadmap for Integration of Tourism Sector (RITS) which was completed in 2010. This strategic plan will contribute to the overall goals of the ASEAN community by 2015 through promotion of growth, integration and competitiveness of the tourism sector and at the same time deepen social and cultural understanding as well as facilitating travel into and within ASEAN. The ATSP provides actions and activities to realize its great vision that; by 2015, ASEAN will provide an increasing number of visitors to the region with authentic and diverse

products, enhanced connectivity, a safe and secure environment and increased quality of services, while at the same time ensuring an increased quality of life and opportunities for residents through responsible and sustainable tourism development by working effectively with a wide range of stakeholders.

CONCLUSION

Over the last decade, as the tourism industry has developed rapidly in the Southeast Asia, many policies and projects related to tourism have been implemented in order to cope with the increased demand by international tourists. However, further policy development is needed to ensure that future tourism development will be sustainable.

People now live in a world in which tourism and tourist experiences are major components. Such a world is one in which image, advertising, and consumerism as framed by style, taste, travel and leisure.

Economic recovery results in growth in travel and tourism. By 2021, International Tourist Arrivals are forecast to total 103.9 million an increase of 4.2 percent generating expenditure of USD 148.8 billion.

With this statement, almost all the South East Asian countries predicted to be among the world's top ten tourist destinations by 2016. Different tourism sectors are striving to receive millions foreign visitors at present, and also to attract foreign direct investments for the industry's development during this period.

Tourism is vital to our economy and our countries development. We must accelerate now more than ever tourism development all over our archipelago and the world. We just need unity and cooperation to make this dream into reality, and I am quite sure that the major purpose of this convention; it's for us to realize that the success is in our hands only if we just intentionally work on it together.

Thank you very much for your kind attention

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BOARD OF DIRECTOR, AUDIT COMMITTEE, AUDIT CHARACTERISTICS AND TIMELINESS OF FINANCIAL REPORT IN LISTED COMPANIES IN INDONESIA

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ABSTRACT

This study aims to investigate the relationship between the board of directors, audit committee and auditor characteristics, and timeliness of financial report in listed companies in Indonesia. Cohen et al. (2004) suggested that the board of directors, management, and internal and external auditors could influence the financial reporting quality, including timeliness of financial reporting. In addition, there is a lack of studies in countries in which the board system is a two-tier board system, such as is practiced in Indonesia. This study uses 218 companies listed on the Indonesian Stock Market from 2006 to 2008 (n=654). Thus, the analysis method used is panel data analysis. Management report lag model is used in this study. The results show that several board characteristics affect the timeliness of financial reporting. In addition, board composition, board size, board shareholding, board expertise and knowledge, age of board members, and length of service of board members are significantly related to the management report lag. Further, audit committee size and external auditor opinion are significantly related to the management report lag. Finally, return on asset also influences the management report lag. The findings imply that the role of board of director and its committee as internal mechanism are important to control the process of producing the financial reports. This study is contributing to the agency theory and resources dependence theory.

Field of Research: Corporate Governance and Financial Reporting.

1. Background Of Study

Timeliness of financial reports has become an important issue, now more than ever before, as a consequence of the phenomenal changes in both modern technology and business practices worldwide (Owusu-Ansah & Leventis, 2006). In addition, the importance of timeliness of financial reporting has been identified by many researchers (see for example, Beaver, 1968; Owusu-Ansah, 2000; Owusu-Ansah & Leventis, 2006; Lee, Mande, & Son 2008 and among other). Based on the literature, the importance of the timeliness of financial reporting could be affecting the firm value, a greater amount of asymmetric information, and other. In the earlier study on timeliness of financial reporting, the research only focused on the determinants of timeliness of financial reporting (see for example, Courtis (1976) and Gilling (1977). Later, the study had been diversified to other determinants, such as audit technology (Newton & Ashton, 1989), company control (owner control vs. management control) (Carslaw & Kaplan, 1991), the case of quarterly earning review (Kinney & McDaniel, 1993), audit structure (Bamber et al., 1993), auditor change (Schwartz & Soo, 1996), monitoring cost (Owusu-Ansah, 2000), and earning review (Ettredge et al., 2000).

Studies on timeliness of financial reporting have focused more on variables relating to client-related factors, audit-related factors and environmental factors. There are limited studies using the corporate governance variables as the determinants of timeliness of financial report as suggested by Owusu-Ansah (2000), Leventis & Caramanis (2005) and Behn et al. (2006). The issue of timeliness of financial report is important in corporate governance because it is associated with corporate transparency (Abdullah, 2006). Agency theory suggests that shareholders require protection because management (agents) may not always act in the interests of the corporation's owners (Jensen & Meckling, 1976; Fama, 1980). Besides, there is a lack of studies done in continental Europe corporate governance system, especially in Indonesia. In addition, Indonesia has a unique two-tier board system and business environments.

There are various characteristics of boards of directors and audit committee issues: composition, independence, knowledge and expertise, effectiveness, power and duties and responsibilities (Cohen et al., 2004). In addition, other actors, such as external and internal auditors, also affect the financial reporting quality (Cohen et al., 2004). Therefore, the board and audit committee characteristics as well as the external and internal auditors as proxies for corporate governance concepts can affect the timeliness of financial reporting. In addition, this study aims to investigate the effect of the board, audit committee and audit characteristics on the timeliness of financial report. The remainder of this paper proceeds as follow: literature review and hypothesis development, data and methodology, findings and discussion, and conclusion and implication.

2. Literature Review and Hypothesis Development

2.1. Board characteristics

The corporate board has three roles in a company, namely institutional, internal governance and monitoring, and strategic decision-making roles (Goodstein, Gautum, & Boeker, 1994). In the institutional role, the board provides a link between company and its environment and secures critical resources (Williamson, 1996). In addition, the board is also on finding instruments to access external resources, reduce environmental uncertainty, and decrease transaction costs associated with external linkages (Pfeffer & Salancik, 1978). This role is often seen from the resources dependent perspective.

The control role is involved with control of managers and evaluating the managerial performance for shareholder's interest (Barnhart, Marr, & Rosenstein, 1994). In addition, the director's job is to hire and fire the management as well as executive compensation. Indonesia's Code of Corporate Governance clearly states that the board has the control role (NCG, 2006). It adds that the board of directors may impose sanctions on members of the management in the form of a suspension, subject to further determination by a General Meeting of Shareholders, according to the Code. In the strategic role, the directors are involved with developing a vision, a mission, screening the environment and selecting and conducting the choice role of strategic options (Hendry & Kiel, 2004). The control and institutional (dependence resources perspective) role of directors are important roles in the financial reporting quality. Therefore, the role of boards in timeliness of financial reporting is explained by these theories.

Timeliness is a necessary component of relevant financial information and it is receiving increased attention by accounting regulators and listing authorities worldwide (Abdelsalam & Street, 2007). The role of the board in the corporate reporting process is from the contention by Jensen (1993). He argues that board characteristics, such as board composition, are associated with the board monitoring incentives. Therefore, examining board characteristics on the timeliness of financial report will reveal the extent to which the board is involved in overseeing the financial reporting process. In fact, the board is at the apex of the internal corporate governance systems as argued by Jensen (1993) and suggests that the board is important in determining the timeliness of financial report.

The characteristics of boards as determinants of the timeliness of financial reporting consist of board composition (Abdullah, 2006), board size (Beekes et al., 2004), board expertise and knowledge, board shareholding (Niu, 2006), and board experience (Abdelsalam & Street, 2007). Abdelsalam & Street (2007) divided board experience into three aspects; multiple directorship, age of directors, and length of services of board members. Therefore, the hypotheses are as follow:

- H1 : Board composition is significantly associated with the timeliness of financial report.*
- H2 : Board size is significantly associated with the timeliness of financial report.*
- H3 : Board expertise and knowledge is significantly associated with the timeliness of financial report.*
- H4 : Board shareholding is significantly associated with the timeliness of financial report.*
- H5a : Multiple directorships are significantly associated with the timeliness of financial report.*
- H5b : Age of board of director is significantly associated with the timeliness of financial report.*
- H5c : Length of services of Board member is significantly associated with the timeliness of financial report.*

2.2. Audit committee characteristics

The role of audit committees in the board was stressed by Jensen & Meckling (1976). They argue that the agency costs increase when the management takes the opportunity to act against the shareholder. Contractual relationships between the management and shareholders will reduce the agency cost but this relationship should be monitored systematically. Therefore, it is the role of the audit committee to monitor the relationship. The audit

committee is a subcommittee of the full board. They facilitate the communication with other corporate governance mosaics; internal auditors, external auditors, management and board of directors (Cohen et al., 2004). Klein (1998) argues that the audit committee meets regularly with external and internal auditors to review financial statements and internal control. Hence, the audit committee would reduce the asymmetric information between insiders and outsiders and thereby mitigating the agency problem (Hsu, 2007).

The audit committee may also be associated with better financial reporting practice as quoted by DeFond & Jiambalvo (1994) and McMullen (1996). For example, McMullen (1996) finds that companies with an audit committee are less likely to experience errors, irregularities and other indicators of unreliable financial reporting. Others argue that the creation of audit committees would improve the quality and accuracy of financial information (Cohen et al., 2004). In other words, the audit committee has a role to improve financial reporting quality, including the timeliness of financial reporting (DeFond & Jiambalvo, 1994). There are several characteristics of audit committees that have been used in the study of financial reporting quality, such as audit committee independence, size, activity, financial expertise. Since audit committees would reduce the asymmetric information, they may be associated as well with the timeliness of financial reporting. In addition, the characteristics of audit committee: independence (Saleh et al., 2007), size (Lin et al., 2006), financial expertise (Abbott et al., 2004), and activity (Xie et al., 2003) could influence accounting quality. Therefore, these characteristics should also affect the timeliness of financial report. The hypotheses are as follows

- H6 : Audit committee size is associated with the timeliness of financial report.*
- H7 : Audit committee financial expertise is significantly associated with the timeliness of financial report.*
- H8 : Audit committee activities are significantly associated with the timeliness of financial report.*
- H9 : There is a significant relationship between type of external auditor and timeliness of financial report.*

2.3. Auditor characteristics

The external auditor plays a significant role in helping to promote financial reporting quality (Cohen et al., 2004). Hence, prior research regarding the relationship between various corporate governance actors and external auditors has focused on several aspects: (i) auditor selection and client acceptance, (ii) audit quality and audit fees, and (iii) audit opinion and audit process. In addition, there are several external auditor characteristics that may affect the timeliness of financial reporting: auditor type/quality (Abdullah, 2006), opinion (Carslaw and Kaplan (1991), and change (Schwartz & Soo, 1996). This study also employs the internal auditor existence (Cohen et al., 2004) as factors affecting the timeliness of financial report. Thus, the next hypotheses are as follows.

- H10 : There is a significant relationship between external auditor opinion and timeliness of financial report.*
- H11 : There is a significant relationship between external auditor change and timeliness of financial report.*
- H12 : There is a significant relationship between internal audit existence and timeliness of financial report.*

3. Data and Methodology

The purpose of this study is to investigate the effect of the board of directors, audit committee, and auditors' characteristic on the timeliness of financial report. The sample of the study is all companies listed from the data for the period from 2006 to 2008. The number of companies listed at the end of 2008 was 485 companies. The final number of companies fell due to the unavailability of the data and IPO companies during the entire time period (2006 to 2008). The unavailable data could be from board and audit committee characteristics since Indonesia's listed companies are less compliant with disclosure (Lukviarman, 2004). Therefore, this would reduce the final number of companies involved in this study.

Timeliness of financial reporting used two measurements; Audit Report Lag and Management Report Lag (Cho, 1987). In this study, Management Report Lag is used and measured by the difference between the time the auditor signs the audit report and the company releases its financial report to the public (Al-Ajmi, 2008). Board composition would be measured by the ratio of independent directors relative to the total directors in the board as was also used by many researchers, such as Lefort & Urzua (2008). Board size is measured by the total number of directors on the board of a company as suggested by Cheng (2008). Board expertise and knowledge is measured by using the Hsu (2007) measurement. It is based on the expertise and education of its members. In addition, the measurement includes the ratio of directors who have business and management academic backgrounds relative to the total number of directors.

Board of director shareholding is measured by the number of directors who are shareholders in that particular company, as suggested by Haniffa & Hudaib (2006). If the directors have shares, one (1) is assigned, and if not, zero (0). Board experience is measured by the ratio of directors who sit in other companies as a board of directors relative to the total number of directors in a company (Abdelsalam & Street, 2007). Age of director members is measured by the average age of director members (Abdelsalam & Street, 2007). Further, length of service of the board of directors is measured by the average length of service by the board of directors (Abdelsalam & Street, 2007).

Audit committee independence is measured by the ratio of the independent directors on the audit committee relative to the total number of audit committee members as was also used by Saleh et al. (2007). Audit committee size is measured by the number of members of the audit committee on the board as suggested by many researchers such as Saleh et al. (2007). Audit committee financial expertise in this study is measured by using the measurement offered by Hsu (2007). It is measured by seeing the proportion of the financial experts on the audit committee. Hence, the financial experts are categorized as persons who have a financial academic background. An audit committee activity is the number of audit committee meetings held in a year (Lin et al., 2006). If there are more meetings held in a year, this indicates that there will be more evaluations made by the audit committee.

Audit type uses the proxy of Big 4 or non-Big 4. A Big 4 audit firm is assigned one (1), and otherwise zero (0). Abdullah (2006) and Cullinan (2003) used this measurement in their research. Type of audit opinion is represented by a dummy variable: unqualified audit opinions are assigned one (1), and otherwise zero (0) as suggested by Ashton et al. (1987) and Carslaw & Kaplan (1991). Auditor change is measured by seeing whether firm have a different auditor compared to the prior year. One (1) is assigned if there is audit firm change, and otherwise zero (0). This measurement was used by Whittred & Zimmer (1984). This study employs three control variables: profitability, leverage and company size. Profitability

is measured by return on asset (ROA) where as the debt to asset ratio as the proxy of leverage. Thus, company size uses the total assets as its proxy. Panel data analysis is used in this study. Thus, the mathematical model is below

$$\text{MRL}_{it} = a + \beta_1 \text{BC}_{it} + \beta_2 \text{BZ}_{it} + \beta_3 \text{BS}_{it} + \beta_4 \text{BEK}_{it} + \beta_5 \text{BED}_{it} + \beta_6 \text{BEA}_{it} + \beta_7 \text{BET}_{it} + \beta_8 \text{ACI}_{it} + \beta_9 \text{ACS}_{it} + \beta_{10} \text{ACFE}_{it} + \beta_{11} \text{ACA}_{it} + \beta_{12} \text{AT}_{it} + \beta_{13} \text{AO}_{it} + \beta_{14} \text{AC}_{it} + \beta_{15} \text{IA}_{it} + \beta_{16} \text{ROA}_{it} + \beta_{17} \text{DAR}_{it} + \beta_{18} \text{SIZE}_{it} + e$$

4. Finding and Discussion

This session discuss about the findings and discussion. The number of companies involved is only 218 (44.9%) companies or 654 observations (from 2006 to 2008), which are from nine different industries.

Table 4.1
Descriptive Statistics
After Remedying for outliers

No	Variables	Outlier		Descriptive Statistic After Outlier Remedy (n=654)			
		# of Obs	%	Min	Max	Means	SD
1	MRL	4.00	0.61	0.00	84.00	19.37	16.42
2	BC	7.00	1.07	0.00	75.00	40.69	13.57
3	BZ	2.00	0.31	1.00	10.00	4.32	1.88
4	BEK	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	49.98	24.87
5	BED	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	64.23	28.49
6	BEA	3.00	0.46	36.30	76.00	55.36	6.20
7	BET	1.00	0.15	0.20	19.70	5.64	3.64
8	ACI	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	45.34	23.96
9	ACS	6.00	0.92	1.00	5.00	3.18	0.60
10	ACFE	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	52.70	26.01
11	ACA	10.00	1.53	1.00	30.00	7.03	5.85
12	ROA	5.00	0.76	-26.10	34.00	3.46	7.88
13	DAR	1.00	0.15	0.00	158.00	53.11	28.36
14	SIZE	12.00	1.83	0.40	29706.90	3751.96	6807.35
15	BS	-	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.16	0.37
16	AT	-	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.41	0.49
17	AO	-	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.96	0.20
18	AC	-	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.18	0.38
19	IA	-	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.85	0.36

The sample of studies are from agriculture (47.1%), Mining (64.3%), basic and chemical (16.7%), miscellaneous (15.7%), consumer goods (18.6%), property, real estate and construction (69.4%), infrastructure, utilities and transportation (65.4%), finance and banking (57%), and trade, services and investment industry (69.2%). There are a few assumptions that have to be satisfied before the data is analyzed. The assumptions are outliers, normality, autocorrelation, multi-collinearity, and heteroskedasticity. An outlier is an observation that lies outside the overall distribution (Moore & McCabe, 1999). In this study, the case of outliers are detected using the Grubb's extreme Studentised deviated test (Grubb, 1969). Table 4.1 above presents the summary of all variables and the percentage of outliers.

Table 4.2
Normality and Transformation

Variable	Skewness		Kurtosis		Transformation	Skewness		Kurtosis	
	Stat	SE	Stat	SE		Stat	SE	Stat	SE
MRL	1.66	0.10	2.91	0.19	Logarithm	-0.28	0.10	-0.07	0.19
BC	0.35	0.10	0.86	0.19	None needed	0.35	0.10	0.86	0.19
BZ	1.10	0.10	0.91	0.19	Square root	0.63	0.10	-0.022	0.19
BEK	0.04	0.10	-0.30	0.19	None needed	0.04	0.10	-0.30	0.19
BED	-0.53	0.10	-0.34	0.19	None needed	-0.53	0.10	-0.34	0.19
BEA	-0.10	0.10	0.98	0.19	None needed	-0.10	0.10	0.98	0.19
BET	1.36	0.10	2.00	0.19	Square root	0.53	0.10	0.17	0.19
ACI	1.26	0.10	0.64	0.19	Inverse	-0.52	0.10	-0.11	0.19
ACS	1.68	0.10	3.67	0.19	Normal score*	-0.94	0.10	1.76	0.19
ACFE	0.00	0.10	-0.44	0.19	None needed	0.00	0.10	-0.44	0.19
ACA	2.19	0.10	5.16	0.19	Logarithm	0.32	0.10	0.35	0.19
ROA	0.63	0.10	4.98	0.19	Normal score*	-0.01	0.10	-0.19	0.21
DAR	0.47	0.10	0.96	0.19	None needed	0.47	0.10	0.96	0.19
SIZE	2.77	0.10	7.22	0.19	Logarithm	-0.48	0.10	0.24	0.19
BS	3.38	0.10	10.36	0.19	Dummy				
AT	0.38	0.10	-1.86	0.19	Dummy				
AO	-4.62	0.10	19.42	0.19	Dummy				
AC	1.67	0.10	0.78	0.19	Dummy				
IA	-1.97	0.10	1.87	0.19	Dummy				

*The data were transformed by computing normal scores using Van der Waerden's transformation defined by the formula $r/(w + 1)$, where w is the sum of the case weight and r is the rank ranging from 1 to w .

In order to have non-biased results, it is assumed that observations have to be normally distributed. The diagnostics of normality utilize the skewness and kurtosis value. The rule of thumb states that the variable is reasonably close to normal if its skewness and kurtosis have

values between -1.0 and $+1.0$. Table 4.2 above presents skewness and kurtosis values before and after transformation. It has been argued that the issue of non-normal distribution of variables is frequent in social science research and quite common in research that involves a large sample (Pallant, 2001). Further, others state that the analysis of variances is not heavily dependent on the normality assumption as long as the data are not extremely non-normal and it involves a large amount of data (Norusis, 2000). This study covers the whole population and involves a large amount of data (654 observations), and the normality assumption is probably not seriously affected. Therefore, only a few variables (e.g. ACS, after having transformed in all technique, the skewness and kurtosis values are still not satisfactory) have a skewness and kurtosis value more than ± 1 or violated the rule of thumb (should be less than one)

Multi-collinearity refers to a situation in which two or more independent variables in a multiple regression model are highly correlated (Gujaraty, 1995). This study uses the Pearson-correlation matrix to detect it. The result of the Pearson-correlated matrix is presented in Table 4.3. Anderson, Sweeney & William (1996) argued that if the Pearson-correlation result is higher than 0.6, there would be a multi-collinearity problem. However, this correlation is far below 0.60. Therefore, there is no evidence of a multi-collinearity problem.

The procedure used to analyze the effect of the independent variables on timeliness of financial report is as follow. First, it estimates the model by using the random effects and then the fixed effects. Second, it utilizes the Hausman Test to see which model is preferred. Third, it would test the heteroskedasticity problems by using White covariance variance. Any difference in standard error and p-value between the ordinary and White covariance variance, will indicate the existence of heteroskedasticity. The corrected covariance result would be interpreted and used to see the effect of the independent variables on timeliness of financial reporting.

Having regressed the management report lag (MRL) against board of director, audit committee and auditor characteristics using random effect and fixed effect, the Hausman Test shows that there is significant (p value < 0.05) random cross section. Therefore, H_0 is rejected (at $\alpha=5\%$), since a random effect model results in a biased estimator. Thus, the fixed model is preferred. The next stage is to test if there is any heteroskedasticity problem with the model. The White method is used. The result of heteroskedascity test shows that there is heteroskedascity problem. However, the White cross-section of coefficient covariance method (White, 1980) has corrected the standard errors and probability, and then solved the heteroskedasticity problem. Finally, the corrected model is used to reject hypotheses.

Table 4.3
Pearson Correlation

	MRL	BC	BZ	BS	BEK	BED	BEA	BET	ACI	ACS	ACFE	ACA	AT	AO	AC	IA	ROA	DAR	SIZE	
MRL	1																			
BC	-.03	1																		
BZ	-.01	-.06	1																	
BS	-.05	-.07	-.08*	1																
BEK	-.04	.06	-.00	-.06	1															
BED	-.01	.15**	.12**	-.02	.02	1														
BEA	.03	-.03	.15**	.05	.10**	.00	1													
BET	.05	-.09*	.13**	.04	-.08*	.02	.28**	1												
ACI	-.07	.11**	.26**	-.01	.16**	.02	.10*	.11**	1											
ACS	-.03	.04	.36**	-.03	.03	-.08*	.06	.15**	.15**	1										
ACFE	-.06	-.01	.04	-.03	.19**	.02	-.01	-.00	.14**	.02	1									
ACA	-.08*	.10*	.25**	-.04	-.05	-.10*	.05	-.02	.19**	.41**	.15**	1								
AT	-.03	-.07	.36**	.11**	-.06	.02	.19**	-.01	.19**	.31**	.15**	.22**	1							
AO	-.01	.04	.11**	.03	.13**	.12**	.04	.01	.03	.09*	-.02	.08	.09*	1						
AC	.01	-.06	-.08*	.03	.02	.02	.14**	-.07	-.06	-.00	-.06	-.01	.11**	-.02	1					
IA	.01	.01	.24**	.17**	.03	.02	.10**	.03	.12**	.13**	.06	.17**	.21**	.08*	.09*	1				
ROA	.04	-.00	.20**	-.06	-.03	-.04	.10**	-.01	-.02	.13**	-.01	.15**	.26**	.25**	-.03	.16**	1			
DAR	-.08*	.05	-.02	-.04	.06	-.05	.09*	-.01	.26**	.10*	.09*	.16**	.04	-.07	.08*	.01	.25**	1		
SIZE	.12**	.04	.45**	.14**	-.03	-.02	.18**	.03	.27**	.25**	.06	.28**	.40**	.16**	.09*	.27**	.24**	.09*	1	

Notes: two-tailed, * and ** significant at 5% and 1% respectively

The final results of the regression are presented in Table 4.4 below. Thus, it accepted eight hypotheses; board composition, board size, board expertise and knowledge, board shareholding, board age, board tenure, audit committee size, and external auditor opinion. Thus, these variables affect significantly the management report lag. Out of three control variables used in this study, profitability is significantly associated with management report lag. Board composition has a significantly negative relationship with management report lag. It means that independent director have a significant role in the management reporting lag. The significant relationship between board composition and management report lag supports the agency theory and contention by Fama & Jensen (1983). Thus, board independence can reduce the management report lag and asymmetric information.

Table 4.4
Result of Regression
Management Report Lag (MRL) is DV

Variable	Coef	SE	P-value
C	4.671	1.041	0.000
BC	-0.809	0.063	0.000***
BZ	-0.222	0.105	0.035**
BS	-1.226	0.280	0.000***
BEK	-0.724	0.217	0.001***
BED	-0.016	0.095	0.868
BEA	-0.015	0.008	0.047**
BET	0.071	0.017	0.000***
ACI	0.014	0.051	0.785
ACS	0.421	0.106	0.000***
ACFE	-0.203	0.196	0.303
ACA	0.264	0.167	0.114
AT	-0.015	0.143	0.915
AO	-0.732	0.229	0.002***
AC	0.015	0.033	0.648
IA	0.064	0.193	0.740
ROA	0.135	0.005	0.000***
DAR	0.155	0.113	0.171
SIZE	-0.156	0.128	0.222
R Square		0.534	
Adj. R Square		0.272	
F stat		2.036	
F Sig		0.000	

*Note; ***, **, and * are significant at 1%, 5% and 10%, respectively*

Meanwhile, board size is negative significantly associated with the management report lag. This finding implies that more board member in board room, more effective the control. The result is consistent with the resources dependence theory. the next finding is that there is a significantly negative relationship between board shareholding and management report lag. This finding supports the agency theory.

The effect of board expertise and knowledge on management report lag is a significantly negative. This finding is consistent with Fama & Jensen (1983), which argued that board expertise would align the company vision and at the same time, they would reduce the agency problems and agency costs. Meanwhile, there is a significantly negative relationship between board age and management report lag. The relationship implies that the older the board members, the shorter the management report lag. The findings support the agency theory. In addition, board tenure has a significant negative relationship with management report lag. Thus, the longer the company's board tenure, the shorter the management report lags. This finding is also consistent with Abdel-Salam & Street (2007) and supports the agency theory.

The relationship between audit committee size and management report lag is significantly negative. Thus, it is in line with Pincus et al. (1989), which stated that big number of audit committee might bring more skills and knowledge to enhance monitoring. The findings support the agency theory. Besides, auditor opinion has a significantly negative with the management report lag and supports the agency theory. Only profitability has a significantly positive with the management report lag. It means that the profitable company tends to have a longer management report lag and a company that experiences loss would have a shorter management report lag.

5. Conclusion and Implication

Timeliness of the financial report is one of the qualitative attributes of general purpose financial reports. Other important attributes of timeliness is that of information content (Beaver, 1968), and affect company values (Givoly & Palmon, 1982). In addition, management has incentives to exercise discretion over the timeliness of reporting (Ashton et al., 1989) and a greater amount of asymmetric information between management and shareholders (Lee et al., 2008). In fact, timely reporting would enhance decision-making and reduce information asymmetry in emerging markets (Owosu-Anshah, 2006). Moreover, it is an important device to mitigate insider trading, leaks and rumors in emerging capital markets (Owusu-Anshah, 2000). Thus, it contributes to the prompt and efficient performance of the stock market in their pricing and evaluation function.

This study is based on the issue regarding the timeliness of financial reports among Indonesian listed companies. The problem arises when many Indonesian listed companies submitted their financial report late. Hilmi & Ali (2008) reported that there were about 133 (15.13%) Indonesian listed company financial reports from 2004 to 2006 (879 financial reports as the sample of their study) submitted after the expected date. The result of this study is that there is a significant relationship between the board composition, board size, board expertise and knowledge, board shareholding, board age, board tenure, audit committee size, external auditor opinion, and profitability and management report lag.

Based on the conclusions from this research, there are several theoretical implications. Agency Theory posits that the relationship between principal and agents may be subject to inefficiencies, to the extent that asymmetric information prevents effective monitoring of the agent's actions by the principal. Therefore, the solution to this problem is the assigning of a formal monitoring role to the board of directors (Fama & Jensen, 1983). Further, one of the monitored actions is the financial accounting process, in order for companies to have a higher quality of accounting information. The other accounting information quality is timeliness. The asymmetric information is high over the timeliness of financial report. This research illustrated that formation of a board of directors and their sub-committees (such as the Audit committee) and assigning a higher quality of auditor have an impact on the timeliness of financial reports.

Resources Dependent Theory predicts that a board can link to its environment by establishing important contacts and providing access to timely information through personal and professional networks (Ees & Postma, 2004). Therefore, boards can have more knowledge and expertise and transform it in the form of higher quality of accounting quality or timeliness of financial report. Boards with multiple directorships can improve the accounting quality due to experience that they gained from other companies or industries. This research shows that board expertise and knowledge and board experience (directorship) have the significant effect on the timeliness of financial report. These findings also contribute to the companies, government agencies and other parties. For the Indonesian companies, these findings provide information about variables that significantly affect the timeliness of financial report or specifically management report lag. These variables are considered by a company if the company intends to appoint a board of directors, audit committee, and auditors in the future.

There are several avenues for future research based on the limitations of this research. First, future research might think of other actors, such as management to be included as variables affecting the timeliness of financial report. The type of variables could be management expertise and knowledge and other variables. Second, the future research could segment samples based on the industry. For example, do the board characteristics affect the timeliness of financial reports for finance and banking industry, or what about the defense industry? The length of data also could be extended, for example, from 2002 to 2008 in the case of Indonesia. Third, future research could consider other data sources, such as primary data, to test the hypotheses. Fourth, future research could test other board, audit committee or auditor characteristics that affect the timeliness of financial report, such as foreigners on the board, male and female board members, and audit committee tenure and etc. Fifth, future research could use the interaction of characteristics, such as the interaction of board independence and board expertise and knowledge. It also can use other variables as the mediating variable(s). Finally, future research might focus on the determinants and consequences of timeliness (complex model).

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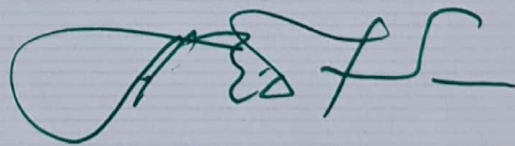
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