THE CUSTOMERS BEHAVIORAL INTENTION TO SELECT ISLAMIC BANKING IN INDONESIA

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Indonesia is Abstract the largest number Muslimspopulate, the market share of Islamic banking in Indonesia is only 3.2 percent of its total banking system. Hence, the quest to attract a large number of customers is a major challenge to Indonesian banks. However, few studies use Theory of Reasoned Action (TRA)to identify factors which significantly influence customers' intention to use and select Islamic banking for their banking transactions. This paper investigates the constructs of TRA, add variable religiosity on Islamic banking selection. The study employed questionnaires to 275 respondents of bank customers in Palembang, Jakarta, and Makassar are represented big regions of Indonesia. Using Partial Least Square Structural Equation Modelling, attitude, subject norm,and religion are statistically significant effect on intention to select Islamic bank in Indonesia. The model explains 43 % of the total variance in Islamic banking intention. The results imply that Indonesian Islamic banks should strategize ways to develop positive attitude and reference amongst their customers through greater dissemination of knowledge about Islamic banking while emphasizing on the religious compliance.

Keywords: Islamic Banking, Religiosity, Intention, TRA.

Introduction

Indonesia is the most populated Moslem country in the world with a total population of 207.18 million Moslem (Indonesian Central Bureau of Statistics, 2010). Although, it has the world's largest population of Moslems, Islamic banking came JOURNAL OF ISLAM AND SCIENCE 19

fairly late to Indonesia. The work of the Islamic Bureau of Bank Indonesia showed that Indonesia, especially in certain parts of the country, has consid- erable unmet demand for Islamic banking (Blue Print of Islamic Banking of Bank Indonesia, 2010). In Indonesia, the banking industry becomes highly competitive since the government deregulated the banking sector in 1998. A deregulation program known as PAKTO eliminated various rules and regulations in which on one side has restricted establishment of new private banks while on the other side, the government permitted foreign banks to operate in Indonesia in the form of joint venture with local banks. Islamic banks also face stiff competition from conventional and foreign banks. However, judging from the vast untapped Islamic banking market, Indonesian Islamic banks are eager to expand their market share as a strategy to have the competitive edge over its competitors.

Considerable efforts to expand Islamic banking in Indonesia have shown good results as shown in Table 1.3. Islamic banking deposits on average have grown by 31.6%, while financing recorded an average growth rate 37.5%.

Table.1.1. Statistics of Islamic bank Vs Commercial bank: 2009 – 2013 (in Billion IDR)

Year/Div of Unit	2010	2011	% Gr	2012	% Gr	2013	%	%
							Gr	Av Gr
As set IB As set	97,519	145,467	49.1	195,018	34.1	223,503	14.6	32.6
CB	3,008,853	3,652,832	21.4	3,542,518	-3.0	3,197,384	-9.7	2.9
Total Asset	3,106,372	3,798,299	22.3	3,737,536	-1.6	3,420,887	-8.5	4.1
%IB of Asset	3.14	3.83	21.97	5.23	3.7	6.5	24.3	18.3
Deposit IB	76,036	115,415	51.8	147,512	27.8	170,222	15.4	31.6
Deposit CB	2,563,562	3,093,848	20.9	3,542,518	14.5	3,197,384	9.7	15.1
Total Deposit	2,639,598	3,209,263	21.6	3,690,030	14.98	3,367,606	-8.4	9.4
%IB of Deposit	2.88	3.6	2.5	3.99	10.8	5.05	26.6	28.15

Financing IB Financing CB	68,81 2,765,912	102,655 3,412,463	50.6 23.38	147,505 4,172,672	43.7 22.28	174,537 4.627.191	18.3 10.9	37.5 9.4
Total Financing	2,834,093	3,515,118	24.1	4,320,177	22.9	4,801,728	11.2	19.96
%IBof Financing	2.41	2.92	21.2	3.414	16.9	3.635	6.5	16.13

Source: Statistik Perbankan Islamic (Islamic Banking Statistics), August 2013

Table 1.3 show that the end 2013, total deposits at conventional banks was Rp.3,197,384 Billion IDR, while total deposit Islamic bank system was Rp.170,222 Billion. This represents 5.05% market share for Islamic banking deposis of the total deposit of the banking system in 2013. Islamic financing is Rp.174,537 million IDR representing 3.6% of the total banking system Based on Table 1.3, it can be observed that until the period of August 2013, the Islamic banking share is only 6.5% to total bank assets, 5.1% the amount of funding and 3.64% financing.

On the other hand, the statistics in Table 1.3 shows the Islamic banking market share of 6.5% is very small when compared with the market share of the conventional banking.

The statistics also indicate weak participation by the Indonesian population of 249.9 million in Islamic banking compared to Malaysia which has achieved a 20.6 percent share of Islamic banking although its total population was only 29.7 million in 2013 (Economic Report, Ministry of Finance, Malaysia). This task presents a challenge to Indonesian Islamic banks in marketing of their financial services to their retail customers who are in the culture which greatly depends on face to face relation- ship to build sales (global business Indonesia, 2013). The challenge motivates an investigation to be undertaken JOURNAL OF ISLAM AND SCIENCE

to identify factors which could assist Islamic banks to develop appropriate strategies to create demand and intention to use Islamic banking among bank customers. This empirical investigation is premised on the application of TRA theories which are not widely applied in past banking studies in Indonesia.

Hence, there exist strong needs to find ways to stimulate the growth of Islamic banking in Indone- sia. Based on the existing structure, there are only five wholly operating Islamic bank and six Islamic windows. A striking difference lies in the number of Islamic banking customers compared to conventional banking customers. In spite of the strong support currently given by the government to offer Islamic banking though regulation (BI regulation no: 9/7/PBI/2007), the problem remains that Islamic banking customers are relatively smaller than conventional banks.

The slow growth of Islamic banking in Indonesia could be due to many factors: religion, attitude and weak participation of people. The participation and understanding of society on Islamic banking is still low as claimed by ErsyamFansuri (2010). This might be due the lack of socialization or promotion by the Bank Indonesia to the community throughout the regions. Some people did know about sharia banking presence. ErsyamFansuri (2010) asserts that people might have good or even bad perception on sharia banking. The public's attitudes are that they are still in doubt or do not even believe in Islamic banking performance. The lack of empirical evidence to proof the influence of attitude

on Islamic bank selection is a void intended to be addressed in this study.

The objective of this paper is to present the results on the investigation of the factors which have significant influence on the intention of the bank customers to select Islamic bank in Indonesia. The organization of this paper begins with Section 2 which elaborates on the research problem, section 3 presents reviews of related literature while section 4 describes the methodology used. Section 5 pre- sents the findings while section 6 concludes the paper.

Literature Review

Related theories

The theories used in the study are (i) Islamic Banking Theory; (ii) Theory of Reasoned Action. Islamic banking is a banking system that is based on the sharia or law of Islam whose principles come from The Holy book of Islam (The Qur'an), Hadith, Ijma, Qiyas and Ijtihad (Siddiqi, 2004). Islamic banking operations must be based on three basic principles; (i) interest-free or prohibited taking riba/ usury (ii) profit sharing(Alam,S.M, et al, 2008), and (iii) prohibition of element of Maisir (Gambling). On the other hand, the Theory of Reasoned Action (TRA) by Ajzen&Fishbein, 1980, is an expect- ancy value model with emphasis on attitudes, subjective norms, religiosity, and intentionsdirected to a specific focus. According to TRA, behavioral intentions are a function of attitude toward

performing the behavior (ATD) and the Subjective Norm (SN) which express the person's perception of whether relevant other think one should or should not per-form the behavior (Ajzen & Fishbein, 1980). The TRA theory used and to related the paper add constructs ie, religiousity (S.S.Alam *et.al*, 2012; and Amin H *et.al*, 2011).

Determinants and Hypotheses Development

The determinants of intention in this study (i) Attitude (ii) subjective norms (iii) religiousity. (1) Attitude

In TRA, attitude is an important variable that predicts directly and indirectly the behavioral inten- tion (Fishbein & Ajzen, 1975). The researchers assert that attitude towards the object is the function of the individual's belief towards the object and the individual implicit evaluation of the beliefs he/she holds as has the function of perceived consequences of performing the behavior of interest he subjective evaluation of the individuals towards the consequences (Fishbein & Ajzen, 1975). Past studies have proven significant direct relationship of attitudes towards behaviorial intention but conducted in internet banking setting. (Davis et al., 1989; Gopi & Ramayah, 2007; Mathieson, 1991; Ma'ruf et al., 2003; May, 2005; Ramayah et al., 2003, 2004; Rhodes & Courneya, 2003; Shih & Fang, 2004; Taylor & Todd, 1995; Eri, 2004). Amin et al. (2011) found that attitude is positively related with the intention to use Islamic home financing. This study measures from 3 elements i.e. attitude subjective norm, and religiosity obliga- tion which may influence lecturers' behavioral 24 **JOURNAL OF ISLAM AND SCIENCE** intention to select Islamic home financing. Hence the proposed hypothesis is:

H_a1: Attitude significantly and positively influences intention to select Islamic bank.

(i) Subjective Norm

TRA theory postulate that subject norm (SN) affect behavioral intention (Ajzen & Fishbein, 1980; Fishbein & Ajzen,1975). Fishbein and Ajzen (1975) find that subjective norm is a function of the perceived expectation by individual or group who are important to the person and by the persons' motivation to comply with the expectations. The results on the influence of subjective norm on behav- ioral intention by Taylor and Todd (1995), Venkatesh and Davis (2000), Ramayah et al. (2003), Ma'ruf et al. (2003), Ramayah, Noor, Nasurdin, and Sin (2004), Eri (2004), Ramayah, Ling, Norazah, and Ibrahim (2005), May (2005), and Gopi and Ramayah (2007) found that subjective norm has a positive direct relationship towards behavioral intention. In the context of Islamic finance, subjective norms have a direct impact to the intention (Amin et al., 2011). Hence the proposed hypothesis is:

H_a2 : Subjective norm significantly and positively influences intention to select Islamic Bank.

(ii) Religion

Religion is a key element a group of trust. (Haq and Smithson, 2003). Earlier studies pointed that religion (Islam) as the main reason for choosing Islamic banks (Dusuki and Abdullah, 2007; Wilson, 1995; Owen and Othman, 2001; Metawa

and Almossawi, 1998;). In the Malaysian context, Amin et al, (2011) provides evidence that religion obligation significantly influence intention to choose Islamic home financing. Hence, the following hypothesis is proposed:

H_a³: Religion significantly and positively influences to Intention (iii) METHODOLOGY

3.1 Data Collection, Sample, and Instrument

Data was collected through questionnaires distributed to a sample of 500 respondents who are lecturers of 3 public universities. 375 was collected representing 75 % response rate. However, 275 questionnaires were actually used. The questionnaire was adapted from past studies: The Intention to use/select Islamic Banking was measured using 6 items of Ajzen et al (1980); Attitude and Subjective Norm measured 5 items by Ajzen (1980), and Religion (4 items) by Amin et al (2011).

3.2 Analysis Method

The data was analysed and showedhigh reliability with Cronbach's Coefficient Alpha greater than 0.67 and discriminant validity score above 0.82. Subsequently, the research model was tested using Partial Least Square Structural Equation Modeling (PLS-SEM) (J.F. Hair., Ringle, 2013)

Finding

The demographic profile of the respondents shows 43.3% of the respondents were male and 56.7% were female with 35.3% of the participants were in the group of 30-39 years. 64.7% of JOURNAL OF ISLAM AND SCIENCE Volume 02 Number 01, JUNE 2015

the lecturers have Masters degree. In terms of Religion, 97% are Islam 97%, 1.7 were Christens and 1.3% were Hindu-Budha. In terms of Income, 35.3% earns between Rp.5,000,000-7,000,000 while 27.7% earns Rp 3,000,000-5,000,000. The respondents came from diverse region backgrounds, namely, west region (16%), center region (59.3%), and east region (24.3%). The Descriptive analysis shows that Lecturers using Islamic bank less than 1 year are 8.3%, 1-5 years were 63%, 6-10 years were 24.3%, and more than 10 years were 4.3%. Numbers of frequency using Islamic bank per month in 1-3 times were (18%), 4-6 times were (30%), 7-9 times were (22%), and more than 10 times were (29%).

Table 4.1 Descriptive Statistics for Latent Variables

Latent Constructs	Number of Items	Mean	Standard De viation
Attitude	5	3.786	.636
Subjective Norm	5	2.674	1.011
Religion	4	3.385	.968

Table 4.1 shows that the overall mean for the latent variables ranged between 2.674 and 3.786. In particular, the mean and standard deviation for the attitude were 3.786 and 0.636, respectively. This suggests that respondents tended to have moderate level of attitude to select Islamic banking. The statistics also indicate that the mean for the subjective norm was 2.674 out of scale of 5. This suggests that the respondents perceived the influence from the refereed groups on the intention to select Islamic banks is moderate. However, there was some differences in the responses between the repondents as indicated

by the standard deviation of 1.011. The results show a higher mean score for religion (Mean =3.385). This means suggest that the respondents incline to strongly agree that religion is important in creating intention to use Islamic banks.

Assessment of Measurement Model

Assessment of measurement model and assessment of structural model using PLS path model assessment adopted from two- step processes by Hair *et.al.* (2014) and Heseler *et.al* (2009). Assessment of measurement model in the table 4.2, 4.3, 4.4, and 4.5 showed individual items reliability, internal consistency reliability, convergent validity and discriminant validity.

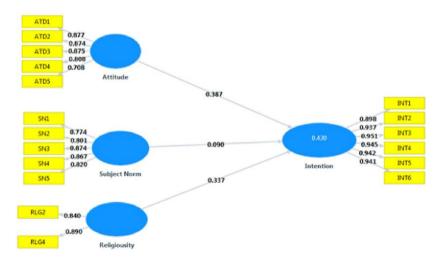


Figure 1 Measurement Model

Table 4.2 Cross loadings

	Attitude	Intention	Religiousity	Subject Norm
ATD1	0.877	0.518	0.555	0.076
ATD2	0.874	0.586	0.590	0.078
ATD3	0.875	0.489	0.462	0.058
ATD4	0.808	0.410	0.374	0.076
ATD5	0.708	0.404	0.334	0.128
INT1	0.543	0.898	0.482	0.137
INT2	0.551	0.937	0.569	0.096
INT3	0.556	0.951	0.533	0.141
INT4	0.556	0.945	0.498	0.145
INT5	0.545	0.942	0.552	0.163
INT6	0.551	0.941	0.523	0.151
RLG2	0.403	0.443	0.840	0.026
RLG4	0.572	0.526	0.890	0.077
SN1	0.063	0.078	0.074	0.774
SN2	0.110	0.149	0.132	0.801
SN3	0.135	0.143	0.025	0.874
SN4	0.045	0.095	-0.012	0.867
SN5	0.021	0.118	0.018	0.820

This table above shows how discriminant validity was ascertained by comparing the indicator load- ing with cross loading. Researchers have suggested that the entire indicators should be greater than the cross loading (Hair *et.el.* 2014; Chin, 1998). Table 4.2 compares the indicator loading with other reflective indicators. All the available indicators are greater than the cross loading, this means the requirement of discriminant validity has been achieved.

Tabel 4.3 Composite Reliability

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Construct	Indicators	Loadings	AVE	Com po site
Attitude	ATD1	0.877	0.6900.	917
	ATD2	0.874		
	ATD3	0.875		
	ATD4	0.808		
	ATD5	0.708		
Subjective Norm	SN1	0.774	0.686	0.916
	SN2	0.801		
	SN3	0.874		
	SN4	0.867		
	SN5	0.820		
Religion	RLG2	0.840	0.748	0.856
	RLG4	0.890		
Intention	INT1	0.898	0.876	0.977
	INT2	0.937		
	INT3	0.951		
		0.945		
	11110	0.942		
	INT6	0.941		

Table 4.3 above mentioned the composite reliability coefficient of the latent construct. The com- posite reliability of each construct ranged from 0.856 to 0.977, this namely internal consistency of the scale. The composite reliability of all constructs is above the threshold of 0.70.

Structural Model and hypotheses testing

The validity and reliability of the measurement model having established, the next was to test the hypothesized relationship by running algorithm and bootstrapping in smart PLS 3.0. Predictive rel- evance of the model: the quality of the structural model can be assessed by R2. This depicts the vari- ance in the endogenous variable. Based on the result reported in the table 4.5, the R2 was found to be 0.430, indicating that intention to select Islamic bank

for 43%. Considering the assessment criterion suggested by Cohen (1988), 0.430 is really substantial, 0.13 moderate and 0.02 is weak. This explain s the predictive influences intention to select Islamic bank in Indonesia.

Table 4.4 Results and Hypotheses Testing

Hypotheses	Relations	Beta SE T-Value	P Values Results
H1	Attitude -> Intention	0.387 0.063	0.000 Support
Н2	Religiousity -> Intention	6.188	0.000 Support
		0.337 0.071 4.740	
Н3	Subject Norm -> Intention	0.090 0.039 2.273	0.012 Support

Note: * p < 0.10, ** p < 0.05, *** p < 0.01 (one-tailed test)

At the outset, Hypothesis 1 predicted that attitude is significantly and positively influences intention to select IB. Result (Table 4.11, Figure 4.4) revealed a significant positive relationship between attitude and Intention (β = 0.387, t = 6.188, p=0.000 < 0.05), supporting Hypothesis 1.

Hypothesis 2 predicted that subject norms significantly and positively influences to Intention. As shown in Table 4.11, a significant positive relationship between subject norms and Intention ($\beta = 0.337$, t = 4.740, p = 0.000 < 0.05) was found, indicating support for Hypothesis 2.

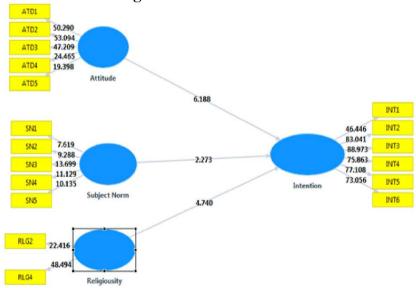
Similarly, in examining the influence of religiosity on Intention to select IB, result indicated that religiosity have significantly and positively relationship with Intention ($\beta = 0.090$, t = 2.273, p = 0.012 < 0.05), was support Hypothesis 3.

Table 4.5 Variance Explained in the Endogenous Latent Variables

Latent Variables	Varian ce Explaine d (R2)
Intention to use/select IB	43%

The research model explains 43% of the total variance in in Intention to select IB. The result suggests that the three sets of exogenous latent variables (i.e., attitude, subject norms, and religion) collectively explain 43% of the variance of intention to select IB respectively. Hence, based on the Falk and Miller's (1992) and Chin (1998) the criteria, the endogenous latent variables showed acceptable levels of R-squared values, which were considered as moderate.

Figure 2: Structural Model



Limitation and Suggestion for Future Research.

This empirical study has two limitations. Firstly, determinant factors on Islamic bank customers only surveyed of three full fledge Public University beyond UI, UNHAS, and UNSRI not included pri- vate university. Second, the scope of study in three regions (Jakarta, Sumatera, and Makassar) in Indonesia, the sample should not be generalized as intention to use or select Islamic banking of the whole Indonesian population.

Conclusion

In conclusion, This study examined the factors intention of customers to select Islamic bank in Indonesia used PLS -SEM analysis. There are three significant direct relationships that attitude, subjective norm, and religion. The results of the study support of thehypoteses. Finally, PLS-SEM results indicate that the underpinning theory, the TRA is good strong theory to test the intention to use/select Islamic banking in Indonesia. [*]

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