

A Study on the Relationship among Consumer Ethnocentrism, Image of Original Country, Conspicuous Consumption and Purchase

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ABSTRACT

The aim of the research is to find out the relationships between consumer ethno-centrism, country image, conspicuous consumption and the will to purchase and import. We find out after integrating the concepts of both domestic and overseas documents that opening up free trade and expanding the amount of importation have put serious impact and threats upon Taiwanese companies, and the concepts of consumer ethnocentrism helps to analyze whether the preference for imported goods of those with consumer ethnocentrism is influenced by country image and conspicuous consumption.

2350 questionnaires were handed in within the 2500 questionnaires granted; the rate of recall is 94%. The valid rate is 89% after deducting 122 invalid ones.

The research is analyzed through SPSS software which includes descriptive statistics, reliability and validity analysis, ANOVA and regression model as the way of compiling statistics. The results suggest that the impact of consumer ethnocentrism toward the will of purchasing imported goods is diminished when consumers have higher country image and conspicuous consumption. By finding out the relationships between different variables, the research further analyzes the meaning of it toward both the management and practicality.

Keywords : consumer ethnocentrism、country image、conspicuous consumption、purchase intention

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