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ABSTRACT

The development of the FinTech Peer-to-Peer Lending Platform in Indonesia can drive the increasing number of Lender or people who want to invest in Peer-to-Peer Lending Platform. The mechanism of the peer-to-peer lending business model is to bridge between a lender with potential borrowers through technology-based systems. This study aimed to acknowledge the effect of brand ambassadors and promotion intensity towards lender purchase decisions through brand awareness at Fintech P2P lending platform PT XYZ in Surabaya. The research was conducted by distributing online questionnaires through Google Form. The researchers used 270 Lenders who have funded at PT XYZ and domiciled in Surabaya as respondents. This research method used SEM (Structural equation modeling), which uses the LISREL program 8.80 Version.

Based on the result, the study showed that Brand ambassadors have a positive and significant effect on Lender purchase decisions. Brand ambassadors have a positive and significant impact on brand awareness; Promotion Intensity has a positive and significant effect on brand awareness; Promotion intensity has a significant effect on Lenders Purchase decisions. Furthermore, brand ambassadors have a positive and significant effect on lenders purchasing decisions through brand awareness; And promotion intensity has a positive and significant effect on lenders purchasing decisions through brand awareness. Based on the results, the company needs to strengthen the effectiveness of promotional programs and brand ambassador programs that can adjust to customers' needs and add unique value to differentiate the brand from other similar brands.

Keywords: **Brand Ambassador, Promotion Intensity, Brand Awareness, Lender Purchase Decision**

ABSTRAK

Perkembangan FinTech Peer to Peer Lending Platform di Indonesia dapat mendorong semakin banyaknya Lender atau orang-orang yang ingin berinvestasi di Platform Peer-to-Peer Lending. Mekanisme model bisnis peer-to-peer lending adalah menjembatani antara pemberi pinjaman (Lender) dengan peminjam (borrower) melalui sistem peminjaman berbasis teknologi. Penelitian ini bertujuan untuk mengetahui bagaimana pengaruh brand ambassador dan promotion intensity terhadap lender purchase decisions melalui brand awareness pada platform Fintech P2P lending PT XYZ sia di Surabaya. Penelitian dilakukan dengan menyebarkan kuesioner online melalui "Google Form". Peneliti menggunakan 270 Lender PT XYZ yang berdomisili di Surabaya sebagai sampel responden. Metode penelitian ini menggunakan SEM (Structural Equation Modelling) yang menggunakan program LISREL Versi 8.80.

Berdasarkan hasil penelitian menunjukkan bahwa brand ambassador berpengaruh positif dan signifikan terhadap lender purchase decisions; brand ambassador berpengaruh positif dan signifikan terhadap brand awareness; promotion intensity berpengaruh positif dan signifikan terhadap brand awareness; promotion intensity berpengaruh signifikan terhadap lender purchase decisions. Selanjutnya brand ambassador berpengaruh positif dan signifikan terhadap lender purchase decisions melalui brand awareness; Dan promotion intensity berpengaruh positif dan signifikan terhadap lender purchase decisions melalui brand awareness. Berdasarkan hasil tersebut, perusahaan perlu memperkuat efektivitas program promosi dan program brand ambassador yang dapat lebih menyesuaikan dengan kebutuhan pelanggan dan menambah nilai unik untuk membedakan merek dari merek lain yang sejenis.

Kata Kunci: *Brand Ambassador, Promotion Intensity, Brand Awareness, Lender Purchase Decision*