

DETERMINANTS DRIVING BANK PERFORMANCE: A COMPARISON OF TWO TYPES OF BANKS IN THE OIC

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MOTIVATION OF THE STUDY



To identify key bank-related determinants affecting bank performance employing a less commonly used bank performance measure, net interest margins (NIM) and net profit margins (NPM).

INTRODUCTION

According to a current report on banking and development finance, bank lending to corporations and households remains the major traditional activity of banks in Malaysia. Research question addressed in the paper: how intermediation margins (NIM and NPM) of Islamic banks (IBs) and conventional banks (CBs) in dual banking countries are connected with what determinants.

This paper reports how NIM of CBs and the NPM of IBs in the OIC are found to affect the criterion variables commonly identified as bank-related determinants.

Both types of banks operate in the same banking environment, so their behaviour ought to be comparable to some extent, despite inherent differences in a sub-set of rules that only applies to IBs. Studying the determinants driving bank performance would be useful to investors to ascribe bank performance as having a signal value for not just banks but also for other financial institutions.



SAMPLE AND DATA SOURCES



*Data are collected from the Bankscope Bureau Van Dijk Electronic Publishing for period of 14 years

TEST MODELS

The data on three categories of bank-related criterion variables are selected:

Bank-Specific Variables Bank Specialization Variables Diversification Variables Capital adequacy Loans-to-total-assets · Income from trading Asset quality Deposits-to-total-as Income from fees and Management efficiency commissions Liquidity risk Operating costs Implicit interest payments Bank size Lerner index Degree of risk aversion Opportunity costs for required reserves

Generalized Method of Moments (GMM) is applied to assess the effect of past performance of banks, bank-specific, diversification and specialization variables on the current performance of banks.

CONCLUSION

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- The overall finding leads to the perception that IBs are not different in behaviour or dynamics from CBs and that CBs appear to be the benchmark for IBs.
- This study highlights the need for more structured regulatory framework for CBs and IBs and the need of further research to assess the qualitative determinants in the relevant study.

