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ABSTRACT

The recent development of global telecommunication becomes a new mechanism for businesses to promote their products and services and Malaysia is also seen shift to mobile taking place and thus, this growing trend cannot be ignored. Savvy businesses need to catch up with the consumer or user to stay relevant in the fast-paced environment. This modern electronic advertising concept is commercially known as mobile advertising.

Today's students, members of the Y generation are digitally natives who wish, desire and might benefit from the use of mobile advertising to make purchase however their attitude towards mobile advertising remain unclear. In conjunction to that, the main objective of this paper is to present on what is the attitude and their intention to purchase the advertised product and services.

Thus, this research is based upon previous examples from academic literature and upon using a self-administrated from questionnaire applied on students from University Institute Technology MARA, Samarahan Campus.

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CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

1.1 BACKGROUND OF THE STUDY

Malaysia is seen shift to mobile taking place and thus, this growing trend cannot be ignored. Instead, savvy businesses need to catch up with the consumer or user to stay relevant in the fast-paced environment. As presented in site Google's Consumer Barometer 2014, 51 percent out of the population in Malaysia uses smartphone, compared to 39 percent computer and 13 percent tablet users. Malaysians also used an average 1.2 devices each in which it has risen in the last three years, according to the site data. Among Asia Pacific countries surveyed in Consumer Barometer 2014, Malaysia come in third in using smartphones in their purchasing decision at 42 percent, behind South Korea 44 percent and Vietnam 45 percent.

The development of mobile phone such as smartphones has result in the increase use of handheld devices to deliver advertisements of products and services, as in short messaging Service (SMS) which has been very successful. As most have predicted that mobile advertising is rising in its popularity, mobile businesses offer creative solutions such as WAP, MMS, IM and SMS to add real value and encourage the marketers to purchase a spot for their companies (Marketing Guide, 2012). For instance, iSMS that provides SMS services as well as become SMS marketing platform for businesses to communicate with their customer efficiently and quickly to truly master new market in digital era. A survey by A.T Kearney indicates that the use of mobile information services and SMS has increased dramatically since 2001. Besides, more than 100 billion SMS message were sent worldwide in a single year. In respond to this rising population, new channel for advertising, called mobile advertising has been created, where the ads are rendered as short textual messages and send to mobile phone.