

THE DETERMINANTS OF DIVIDEND POLICY ON PROPERTY AND CONSTRUCTION COMPANIES LISTED IN MALAYSIA

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ABSTRACT

This study was attempted to identify the determinants dividend policy on property and

construction companies in Malaysia. The dependent variable in this study is dividend

paid out ratio while liquidity, profitability, leverage and size of company represent the

independent variables for this study. All the data is collected from Osiris Website and it is

contain data from 128 companies comprising those two different sectors of companies.

All the data also recorded on yearly basis for 15 years, from year 1998 to 2012. Other

than that, this study was being tested using Ordinary Least Square Regression (OLS),

Random Effect (Breusch Pagan Test), Fixed Effect (Hausman Fixed Effect) and Random

Effect Generalized Lease Square Regression (GLS) in order to analyze all the data. The

finding shows that leverage and size of firm are not significant with dividend paid out

ratio, however other variables which are liquidity and profitability shows a significant

relationship with dividend paid out ratio.

Key words: Dividend paid out ratio, liquidity, profitability, leverage and size of firm.

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