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Preferences of Gen Z for Investing in Socially Accountable Funds

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Abstract

Socially accountable fund (SAF) in India continues to be a fresh investment approach for its investors and socially accounted business. It is a funding that considers social justice, environmental sustainability, in addition to the incorporation of moral materials of enterprise and trade. This paper tries to determine factors influencing 'Generation Z's' (Gen-Z) preference to invest in socially accountable funds. The 'Theory of Planned behaviour (TPB)" focuses on symbolize attitude, subjective norms, and perceived behavioural management by the investors. These factors are included to take a look at how those variables sequentially affect the adoption of socially accountable funding. More importantly, socially accountable consumption, in addition to perceived ethical duty also are protected making use of growing a prolonged idea of deliberate conduct studies framework. The statistics become amassed thru a survey, using a self-administered questionnaire the usage of a '6-factor Likert Scale' amid 287 respondents in Gujarat. All the hypothesis are supported by the findings, besides for the connection among subjective norms and the adoption of socially accountable funding (SAF). The findings offer beneficial facts to the vendors of funding merchandise and services, in particular in increasing their marketplace in the direction of selling socially accountable funding, especially amongst Gen-Z.

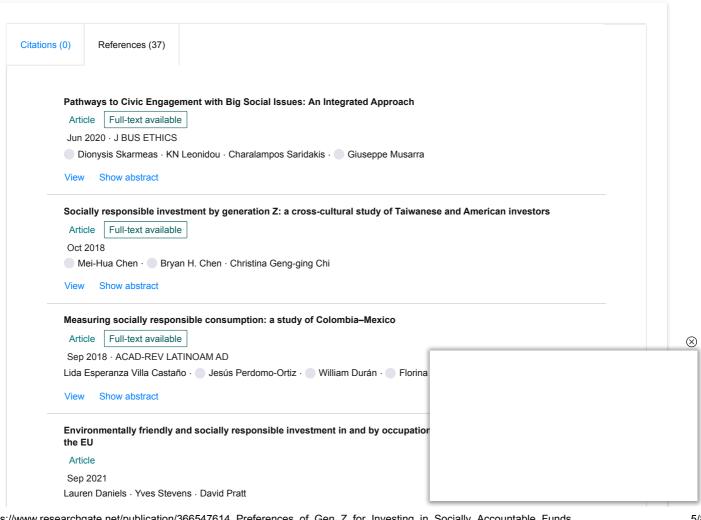
Introduction

It's been more than 10 years since India created its very first fund dedicated to social responsibility (SAF). Since then, we have made great strides in terms of our development. Although there are not a lot of socially responsible or ethically possible investment funds in India (Chakrabarty et al., 2017), there is a noticeable increase in investors' understanding of their social responsibilities. The fact that a Public Interest Litigation was filed against Life Insurance of India in order to compel the company to sell its shares in Indian Tobacco Company, a major tobacco producer, demonstrates that an increasing number of Indian citizens

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