

FORM A: ABDC 2013 JOURNALS LIST REVIEW
NEW ACADEMIC JOURNAL SUBMISSION

***** PLEASE NOTE THAT:** FORM A is designed to formalise requests to the ABDC Journals Review Panel 2013 seeking the **inclusion** of an academic journal which is currently **omitted** from the **ABDC 2010** list. Previously unrated journals should only be nominated in this form where a clear case can be made for them (a) achieving a minimum “business element test” and (b) satisfying a minimum threshold of research quality. Please complete a **separate** form relating to each journal for which you wish to make a submission of this type.

Journal Title:

QA1. FIELD of RESEARCH (FoR) PANEL to which this request is directed (tick one box only):

- 0806 Information Systems
- 1401-1499 Economics
- 1501 Accounting
- 1502 Finance
- 1503 Management
- 1504-07 Marketing/Tourism/Logistics
- 180105/1801025 Business and Taxation Law

QA2. WHAT ABDC 2013 RATING DO YOU PROPOSE FOR THIS JOURNAL?

- A* A B C

QA3. IN ERA 2010, WHICH FoR GROUP WAS THIS JOURNAL ASSIGNED?

- 0806 Information systems
- 1401-1499 Economics
- 1501 Accounting
- 1502 Finance
- 1503 Management
- 1504-07 Marketing/Tourism/Logistics
- 180105/1801025 Business and Taxation Law
- OTHER: please specify
- New journal not previously ranked

QA4. WHAT ERA 2010 RATING WAS THIS JOURNAL ASSIGNED?

- A* A B C not applicable

QA5. NOMINATE “THE BEST” COMPARATOR JOURNAL (journal from the **ABDC 2010 list** that is most similar in research quality):

QA6. JOURNAL INFORMATION

Publisher:

Frequency:

Current Volume: **Current Issue:** **ISSN:** **First Year Published:**

Refereed (please tick one): yes no

Editor’s Name: **Institution:**

Web Address:

NATURE OF SUBMISSION

QA7. Primary submitter type (tick one box only)

- Higher Education Institutional Submission (e.g. formal submission from Business Faculty/School)
- Peak Body Submission (e.g. AFAANZ, ANZAM)
- Individual Submission

QA8. Primary submitter:

Institutional Affiliation:

QA9. Are there other signatories to this submission? Yes No

If yes, how many signatories are there (including the primary submitter)?

QA10. Executive Summary (250 words fully presented on this page only). In the space below succinctly highlight the most powerful elements of your case for **including** the designated new journal in the ABDC 2013 list and for the suggested **rating** given in **QA2**. Please use a “bullet point” style where possible.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: APPENDIX CHECKLIST

The ABDC invites further supplementary and supporting information to be submitted by way of appendices.

QA11. Mandatory “substantive business element test” (please tick one box only):

- Appendix A1:** Substantive business element test
You should provide:
- Simple metrics that demonstrate a substantive “business” element relating to the relevant FoR Panel e.g. > 50% of articles over 3 years written by business faculty or > 50% of articles over a recent 3-year period are of a business nature. For the purposes of this test, a research area is deemed to be “business” related provided that it meaningfully relates to (at least) one of the FoR Panels established for the ABDC journal list review.
 - The Editorial Board list and clearly establish that many academics on the board have meaningful links to the relevant area of business-related research.
- ERA 2013 FoR code is the **same** as the requested FoR designation (i.e. answer for QA1 = QA3) – **Appendix A1 is NOT required.**

QA12. What supplementary information are you supplying (by way of appendices) to support your submission? (these appendices should be seen to be **optional** – you have discretion over those that you choose to supply and those that you choose to ignore).

The following documents are attached in support of this application (please tick boxes as relevant):

- Appendix A2:** List of Editorial Board Members
- Appendix A3:** Description and Scope of Journal
- Appendix A4:** Recommendations from eminent scholars in the relevant field
- Appendix A5:** Comparisons with existing rated journals
- Appendix A6:** Coverage in review articles
- Appendix A7:** Impact Factors: SSCI or others
- Appendix A8:** Other supporting documentation
- Appendix A9:** Signatory Details – in cases where there are more than one signatory to the submission, list all signatory names and their university or relevant affiliations (this appendix should articulate with the answer given to QA8 above).

Appendix A2 List of Editorial Board Members

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Publisher

AJBA has adopted the open access policy since 2011. It is currently published by the University of Malaya Press on behalf of the Faculty of Business and Accountancy, University of Malaya.

Appendix A3: Description and Scope of Journal

Since the last three decades, the Asian economy has confidently claimed its importance in the global arena. Along with its rapid economic development is the evolution and development of its business and management practices. In addition, Asia consists of a potpourri of countries with different cultures and stages of economic, social, and political developments. With such diversity, differences in business practices that are unique to the respective Asian countries can be expected. Asia, therefore, provides a fertile ground for comparative studies that could enhance our knowledge and understanding of the application of management theories in different settings. In view of these issues, AJBA attempts to address several critical research questions such as: 1) To what extent are Western theories applicable to the Asian setting? 2) What adaptations would be required when applying the existing management theories to the Asian countries? 3) Are there variations in management policies and practices among Asian countries? If so, how do we explain these variations? 4) Are there any commonalities within the diverse Asian business cultures and practices? 5) Are there any typical or unique “Asian values” that influence the Asian business practices and successes? 6) To what extent should business practitioners from developed countries adapt their business management policies and practices to Asia? Therefore, the Journal’s mission is to advance knowledge in the field of business and accounting, and to bridge the gap between theory and practice to set direction for policy initiatives by the policy makers in the Asian region. For each issue of the AJBA, we hope to achieve a balanced coverage on the different aspects of business and accounting problems in Malaysia and other Asian countries, and that it includes articles contributed by Asian and non-Asian authors.

Journal Scope: A broad spectrum of the business and accounting disciplines, which includes general management, strategic management, human resource management, organizational behavior, labor and industrial relations, international business management, business communication, entrepreneurship, leadership, management science, operations management, production management, supply chain management, marketing management, brand management, consumer behavior, information management, e-marketing, e-commerce, quality management, retailing, service marketing, hospitality management, hotel and tourism management, asset pricing, capital and money markets, corporate finance, derivatives markets, finance and banking, financial economics, financial management, insurance, Islamic finance, investments, portfolio management, risk management, accounting information systems, auditing, behavioral accounting, commercial law, corporate governance, ethics, financial accounting, financial reporting, international accounting, management accounting, public sector accounting, and taxation. Availability of articles online: The full articles are uploaded onto the journal’s website <http://ajba.um.edu.my> immediately after publication. Open access policy implemented since 2011.

Appendix A4: Recommendations from eminent scholars in the relevant field

The following have indicated their support for AJBA:

1. Professor Keith Hooper, Auckland University of Technology, New Zealand. Email: <keith.hooper@aut.ac.nz>
2. Professor Ali Peyvandi, California State University, Fresno, USA Email: <alip@csufresno.edu>
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Appendix A5: Comparisons with existing rated journals

In comparison with existing rated journals, it can be ranked at least “B”.

Comparable existing journals are:

Accounting and Business Research
Accounting and Finance
Financial Accountability and Management
Journal of Business Finance and Accounting
Journal of World Business
Asia Pacific Journal of Economics and Business
Journal of Economics and Business
Journal of Economics and Finance
Asia-Pacific Journal of Accounting and Economics

Appendix A7: Impact Factors: SSCI or others

The h index for the journal is 5.

MyCite ranking 25/112. 5 year Impact factor is 0.063. Malaysian Citation Index report at <http://www.mycite.my/en/journal-citation-report/mycite-citation-report?page=2>

Appendix A8: Other supporting documentation

It is indexed in SCOPUS since 2011.

Currently, AJBA is awaiting decision from Thompson Reuters Web of Science with regards to indexing in ISI.

Appendix A9: Signatory Details

From: **Zahirul Hoque** <Z.Hoque@latrobe.edu.au>

Date: Wed, May 29, 2013 at 11:34 AM

Subject: RE: Asian Journal of Business and Accounting to be ranked in the Australian Business Deans Council Listing

To: SUSELA DEVI K SUPPIAH <susela@um.edu.my>

I am happy to agree to signatory status for the Australian Business Dean's Council Form A Rating Upgrade Submission being lodged in support of upgrading Asian Journal of Business and Accounting to B rank as being submitted by primary submitter Associate Professor John Sands of the Griffith Business School, Griffith University.

Kindest regards,

Zahirul

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Best Regards,

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Best Regards.

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Dear Dr Susela

We are happy to agree to signatory status for the Australian Business Dean's Council Form C Rating Upgrade Submission being lodged in support of upgrading Asian Journal of Business and Accounting to B rank as being submitted by primary submitter Associate Professor John Sands of the Griffith Business School, Griffith University.

Best wishes

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