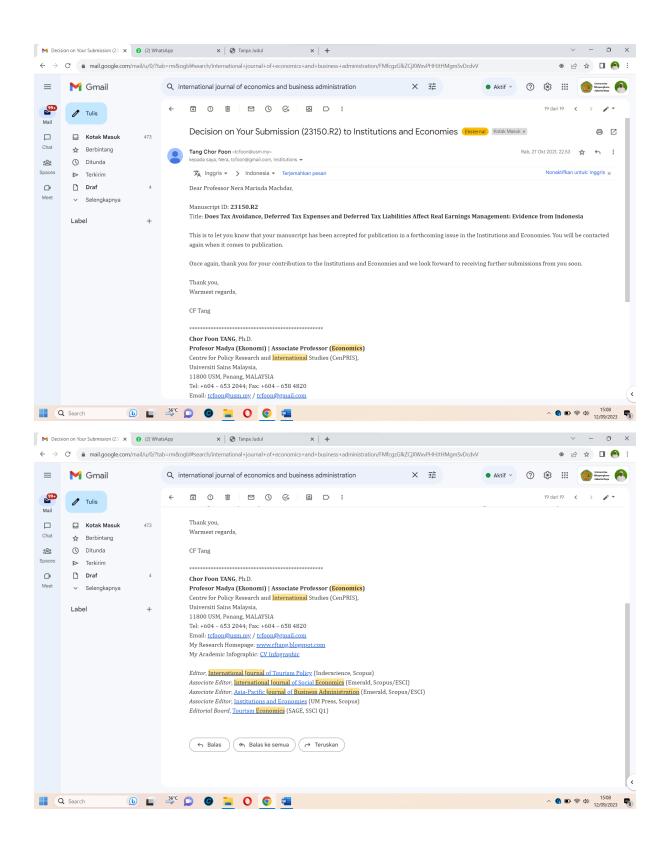
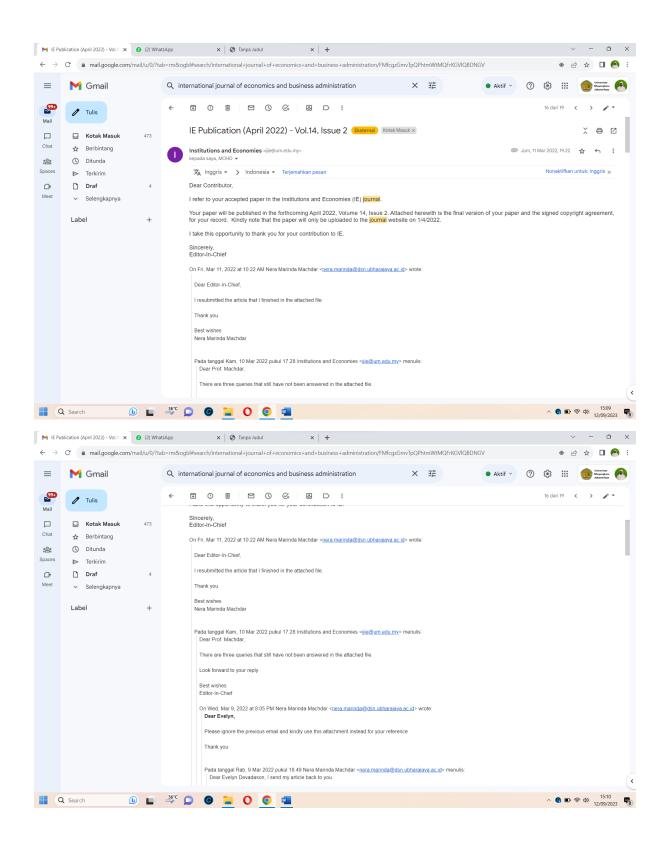
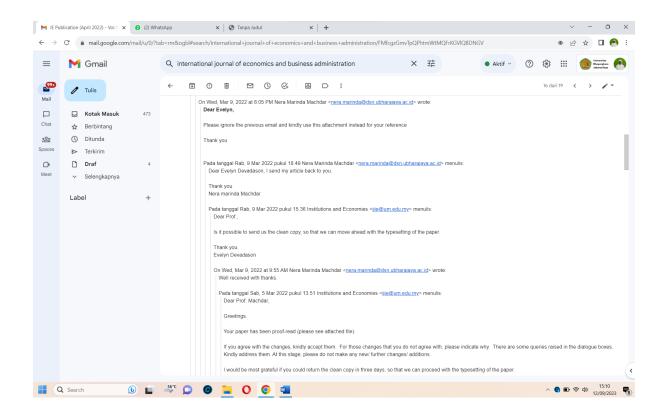
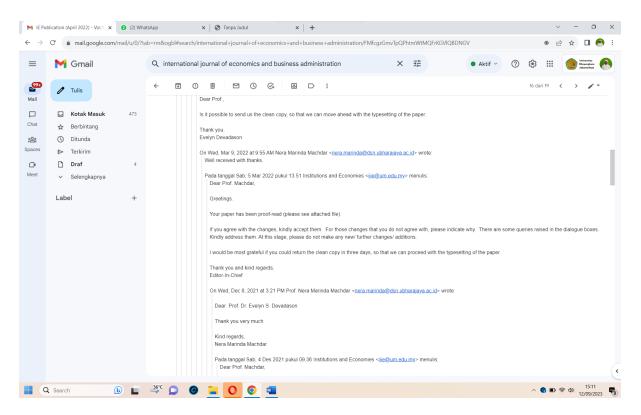
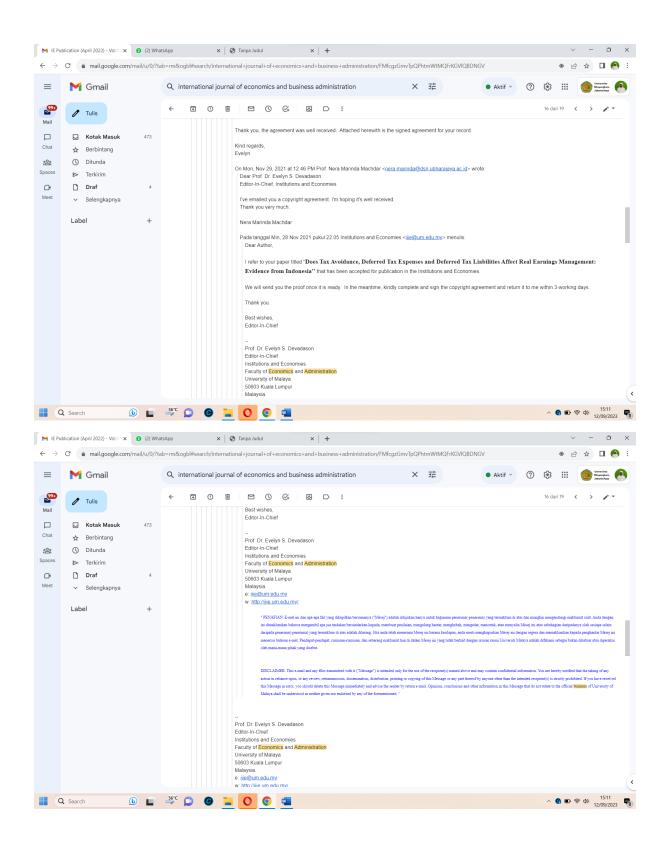
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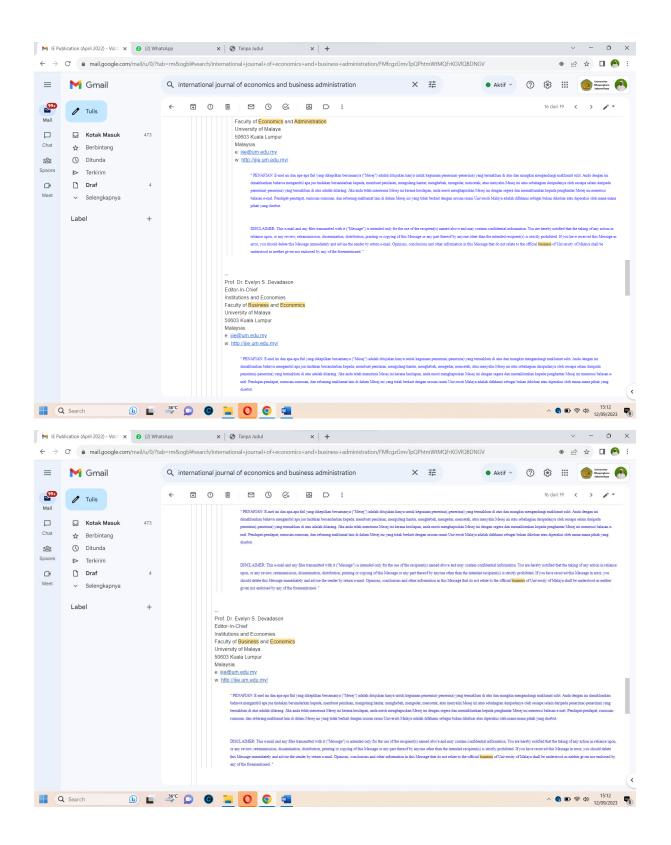


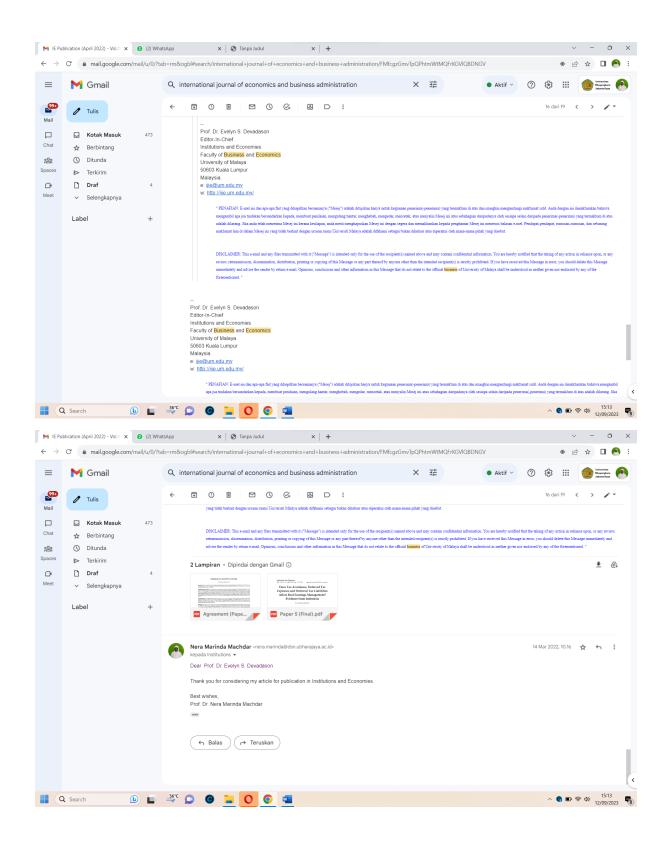


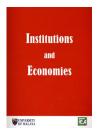












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Reviewer's Name: Reviewer 2

<u>1. Suitability of Scope and Themes</u>

The idea is original and if the author manage to prepare a quality manuscript, the paper would suit the theme of this journal.

2. Introduction

Author clearly stated the objective of this study. However author unable to address why this study should be conducted in the Indonesia setting. In addition, author also did not highlight on the depth of tax avoidance issue and what is the impact on this to Indonesia economy which will be more meaningful. The contribution is provided but can be improved emphasizing on the importance of the results to standard setting etc.

3. Literature Review

The most recent reference used for the literature is back to 2012 which is outdated. For this kind of study, a long list of study has been conducted and suitable to be used for citation. Although the author manage to prepare every section of the variable examined, the discussion it to shallow and do not thorough. The gap of this study also not clearly being discussed. Since only a small number of studies has been referred to, the validity of hypothesis formulated is questionable.

4. Methodology

Author mention all manufacturing firms that listed on the Indonesia Stock Exchange (Bursa Efek Indonesia or BEI) for the period of 2004-2013 with the total number of firms are 129 firms totaling to 1,032 observation years. However author did not explain why the old data were used. Why the author did not used most recent data as since the government may imposed different policy frequently results of old data may not suitable to represent the current setting. Unless the author manage to explain the data for chosen period is utilized, it is advisable for the author to use at least data until 2018. The descriptive analysis table should be prepare for each equation as based on the research

design 3 different analysis has been conducted. The limitation has been explain but it is quite confusing when the author mention most the data is not available how the study is conducted.

5. Findings/ Results

Author unable to describe the implication of the results. No explanation has been given and how this finding is important. The discussion of the result does not provide significant information.

6. Others

This paper requires major revision. The sentences prepared is not clear and the explanation does not reach the meaning. The reference list is not sufficient to provide accurate argument on the gap and etc.

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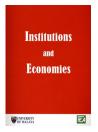
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1. Suitability of Scope and Themes

Does the paper fit the scope of the journal?

The topic is about Tax Avoidance, Deferred Tax Expenses, Deferred Tax Liabilities and Real Earnings Management in Indonesian Companies. The paper fits the scope of the journal and it suitable for publication in this journal.

2. Introduction

Does the paper have a clear motivation? Are the research questions valid? Does the article make clear what its new contributions are?

As the title of articles, the motive of the paper is cited clearly in the introduction part. The research question is still valid to now as this issue is still relatable currently. The hypothesis of the study is indicated, as well. The article stated the contributions to the accounting, tax authorities, policymakers, and accounting regulators. This contribution is considered remarkable contributions, as this is still an outstanding issue in any part of the world. The purpose was clearly and concisely stated and agreed with the title.

3. Literature Review

Is there an adequate and up-to-date review of the literature? Is there a synthesis of the literature and identification of the research gap?

The author begins a review of the literature by introducing the theory that supports the article. The author cited several relevant articles for the introduction of theories that backs up the study. The author points out the gaps in the existing literature. However, the cited articles are not from current years. These statements contributed to the overall issue and the appropriate reason to establish the problem statements.

4. Methodology

Is the research design adequate to answer the questions posed? Is the method of approach appropriate? Are the analyses adequately developed? Is the data handled correctly? Are the limitations of the study described?

The research examines the research with a qualitative method of studies using secondary data collection. Data collection method are described in details as one would expect with qualitative research. The number of the audited annual report examined is 129 manufacturing companies as samples. The research question was answered in an appropriate method, and the method used to gather the data for the articles were clearly

explained.

The analyses are developed in the right manner; however, the data used is from the Year 2004 to 2013. There is a clarification required from the author on the reason for choosing these specific years as a sample.

In the absences of any reasonable reason, the reviewer suggests obtaining data from the current years of the audited report (i.e. up to the Year 2019).

The impact of the study will be more reasonable and justifiable if the current years is used as the benchmark.

The author had described the limitation of the study clearly, where there is limited data available about the variables; therefore, the investigation could be biased.

5. Findings/ Results

Are the correct conclusions drawn from the results? Are the results robust? What are the applications or implications of the results? Are the arguments well-articulated? The author begins by relating their findings to the overall purpose of the study. The author summarized the outcomes of their studies in the article. The conclusion is drawn entirely from the results; the implication of the studies is much designed. The conclusion was based on the findings and logically stated. However, the author recognizes the limitation of the studies in end.

6. Others

Is the presentation satisfactory? Is the paper written well enough for you to evaluate the technical content? Are the references appropriately cited?

These articles are written a very in-depth research project for journal articles. Most part, it was well written and well organized. The literature review was written in a manner where it portrays the whole article in a simple form. The article did get a little complicated in the reporting of data due to the complicated statistical procedures used. Overall, it was exciting, significant contribution to the field of research. However, the data collected of the study 2004 to 2013 deter the significant of the study to be implied. Therefore it is suggested to update the data collected to the current year until the Year 2019.

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