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Responsiveness of CSR in Addressing **Negative Externalities - A Case Study of the Hotel Industry in Malaysia**

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ABSTRACT

Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) rests on the fundamental pillars of both economic growth and quality of life as engines for "sustainable" development. An often-overlooked area of CSR is its application in the hospitality industry. Companies often create and capture social values that can be adopted as CSR strategies. CSR strategies are defined here as any "responsible" activities that allow a firm to achieve a sustainable competitive advantage, regardless of their motive. The purpose of this paper is to identify the relevance of CSR activities undertaken by hotel businesses in relation to the negative outputs of their economic function in the industry. The study uses primary data obtained from a panel discussion by industry professionals on corporate social responsibility activities practiced by their respective hotels, organised by the students of BERJAYA University College of Hospitality in July 2012. Secondary data, that of research conducted on corporate social responsibility, is also used to compare activities and to identify their relevance to the cause of sustainability. The findings show that the sustainability cycle would be complete if CSR activities and the existence of externalities show a positive relationship. In-depth research was conducted on CSR practices that are mixed in terms of relevance to the purpose of sustainability. General relevant practices include "going green" through recycling and energy saving. Nonrelevant practices include the employment of disabled people, and donations to