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International New Ventures and Born Globals: A Theoretical Review & Synthesis of Literature

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Abstract

In this paper, we performed a review of the theoretical literature on International New Ventures

(INVs). We touched upon two very important matters of interest that previous literature review

papers had not addressed. Firstly, while throwing light on the existing debate regarding the

definitional ambiguity between INVs and Born Globals, we propose the addition of a third

dimension to correctly distinguish between these two terms. Secondly, we synthesize our

understanding of the INV literature with a keen focus on emerging market INVs (EINVs) in

order to capture the context-specificness of the phenomenon. On one hand, we put forward the

similarities and uniqueness of EINVs to that of the developed market INVs (DINVs). On the

other hand, we highlight on the differential usage of various theories in the INV literature in

developed as well as emerging markets. We finally introduce a theoretical model by integrating

the diverse set of cross-disciplinary theories used in the extant literature based on what aspect

of INV internationalization they explain. Lastly, we provide broad research directions for

future scholars in this domain.

KEYWORDS: International New Ventures, Born Global Firms, International Entrepreneurship.

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