Antecedents, moderators, and outcomes of consumer environmental attitudes

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Abstract

We investigate the influence of drivers and outcomes of consumer environmental attitudes,

together with the moderating role played by emotional intelligence (EI). Using a sample of 400

Cypriot consumers, the SEM analysis results indicate that environmental knowledge and

environmental skepticism positively influence both inward and outward environmental

attitudes, which, in turn, drive purchasing behaviors. While EI strengthens the effect of outward

attitudes on purchasing behaviors, it weakens the influence of inward attitudes on product-

specific behaviors. These findings also contribute to the literature by uncovering how EI

interacts with distinct environmental attitudes to bridge the attitude-behavior gap in an

environmental context.

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