

## The Relationship of resilience and entrepreneurial intentions (Proceedings of International Entrepreneurship Congress, SMES and Entrepreneurship October 14-15-16 2009)

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### Abstrak

Entrepreneurship is becoming a very relevant instrument to promote economic growth and development the country.

Moreover, a career in entrepreneurship also offers significant opportunities for individuals to achieve financial

independence and benefit of the economy by contributing to job creation, innovation and economic growth.

However,

in Indonesia there are only 0.18% of 220 million- people who are entrepreneurs which is far less than 2 percent of the people. \_

In this regard, from a psychological point of view, the intention to become an entrepreneur has been described as the

single best predictor of actual behavior (Ajzen, 1991). On the other hand, it is also understood that one of the

characteristic to become a success entrepreneur is the person should be resilience. The question was raised whether

there is a relationship between resilience and entrepreneurial intentions. To collect the data this study used the modified

AQ Profile (Stoltz, 1997) to assess participants -resilience and Entrepreneurial Intention Questionnaire (EIQ) developed

by Linan & Chen (2006), which has been recently modified and validated, to measure entrepreneurial intentions

amongst University of Indonesia students and employees.

This research was done amongst University students (N= 93) and employees (N=107). Findings indicated that there was

no significant correlation between Adversity Quotient and Entrepreneurial Intention amongst University students.

However, there is a significant correlation between Resilience (Adversity Quotient) and Entrepreneurial Intention

amongst employees.