

An Investigation On Foreign Direct Investment (Fdi) And Technology Transfer (Tt) Comparative Study Of Libya And Egypt

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The literature on the issue of foreign direct investment (FDI) and technology transfer (TT) has become rich many years ago, Focus is largely based on the role of foreign direct investment (FDI) to transfer of technology in host countries, the way technology is transferred and how technology transfer contributes to the economic growth. On the other hand, foreign direct investment (FDI) and technology transfer (TT) has become a very important issue for development, especially in recent years in Arabian countries especially in Libya and Egypt (UNITED, 2001). Accordingly, this research of investigation of critical success factors for foreign direct investment and technology transfer comparative study of Libya and Egypt, the first study attempted in Libya and one of few studies globally.

On the other hand, the research approach to be adopted is to identify Libya and Egypt as specific case studies for the investigation on foreign direct investment (FDI) and technology transfer (TT), three main research questions are posed to address this objective. Firstly, what are the critical success factors for foreign direct investment in the economies of Libya and Egypt? Secondly, what are the critical success factors for technology transfer in the economies of Libya and Egypt? Thirdly, under what conditions does successful technology transfer accompany FDI - a comparative evaluation of FDI and technology transfer Libya and Egypt?, and to enable a point of comparison as well as this study used questionnaire to collected data, because this study is qualitative study. the samples of this study was drawn a at least 169 foreign companies in Egypt and 200 foreign companies in Libya, order to adequately cover different sectors within industry, of different sizes, with different nationalities participating.

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This study has reached very important conclusions regarding an investigation on foreign direct investment (FDI) and technology transfer (TT): Comparative study of Libya and Egypt. The main conclusions are:

- 1- The study found that foreign direct investment is the most important channels for transfer of technology (by the consensus of members of the sample in the two countries)*
- 2- The study found that there are factors that help to attract foreign direct investment to the host countries for investment and are as follows:
(The presence of a good investment environment for investment; There are many investment opportunities for investors; Political stability; Legal stability; Economic stability; Geographic Location; Availability of raw materials and Tax policy encouraging)*
- 3- Encouraging investment law.*
- 4- The study found that the transfer of technology from foreign investors to the State Investment affects on each of (Location factor; Market policy; and Exchange rate; Investment law).*

The final results of this research could help Libyan decision makers to take serious steps for encouragement and attract Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) and technology transfer (TT) to Libya to improvement Economic of Libya. Recommendations for further research are made in the conclusion.