



Menu Choices and Performance of Defined Contribution Plan: Evidence from Retirement Mutual Funds in Thailand

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Abstract

This study examines the effectiveness in choices offered and performance of Thai Retirement Mutual Fund market. Using weekly data cover January 2002 to October 2012, we find that, the choices offered under the different objectives in one family does help investor to diversify their portfolio but not for those choices that have the same characteristic. Fund flows and performance are positively related. Bank-related funds have a comparative advantage in distribution channel, reputation, and management skill and hence benefit to its opportunity of a higher growth. The study finds that besides the fund performance, the factors that determine the growth of RMF are type of AMCs and size of funds.

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