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**Keyword:** *Saudi Arabia, Saudi Pro League, Economic Diversification, Soft Power, Saudi Vision 2030.*

## ABSTRAK

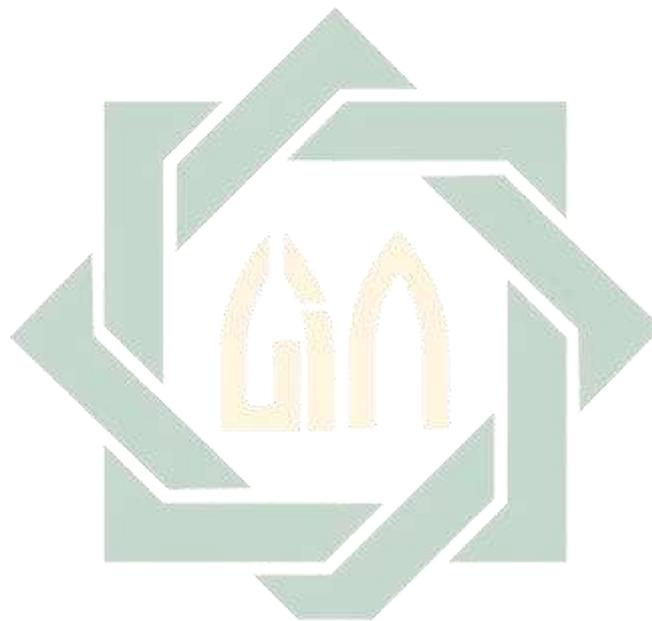
**Pratama, Raghnal** “Kepentingan Arab Saudi Dalam Mendatangkan Bintang Sepak Bola Asing Pada Liga Arab (*Saudi Pro League*) Musim 2023-2024.” Penelitian ini bertujuan untuk membahas alasan dibalik kepentingan Arab Saudi dalam mendatangkan bintang sepak bola asing pada liga Arab Saudi (*Saudi Pro League*) musim 2023-2024. Penelitian ini menggunakan metode penelitian pendekatan kualitatif eksplanatif dengan konsep kepentingan nasional, diversifikasi ekonomi, dan *soft power* sebagai kerangka analisis. Data dikumpulkan merupakan data sekunder yang diambil melalui studi literatur dari dokumen resmi, jurnal ilmiah, dan sumber berita terpercaya. Hasil dan temuan dari penelitian, menunjukkan Arab Saudi mendatangkan pemain bintang di SPL merupakan upaya untuk meningkatkan pertumbuhan ekonomi melalui sektor sepak bola. Dengan banyaknya sponsor yang datang dan juga keuntungan hak siar. Tidak hanya bertujuan untuk meningkatkan pendapatan sektor olahraga tetapi juga untuk memperkuat *nation branding* serta mempromosikan budaya Arab Saudi di panggung internasional. Hal ini, juga merupakan perwujudan untuk mencapai *Saudi Vision 2030*. Penelitian ini diharapkan dapat memberikan kontribusi bagi literatur hubungan internasional terkait strategi ekonomi dan *soft power*, serta menjadi referensi untuk studi lanjutan tentang diplomasi olahraga di kawasan Timur Tengah.

**Kata Kunci:** *Arab Saudi, Saudi Pro League, Diversifikasi Ekonomi, Soft Power, Saudi Vision 2030.*

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