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HOSPITALITY WITH ISLAMIC VALUES: DEVELOPING A COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH TO TOURISM IN INDONESIA

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Abstract

Indonesia, the world's most populous Muslim nation, boasts immense tourism potential. However, catering to Muslim tourists requires more than just halal food options. This paper proposes a comprehensive approach to tourism development in Indonesia, grounded in Islamic values of hospitality (ihsan) and respect (adab). It examines how these principles can be integrated into every aspect of the tourist experience, from accommodation and activities to cultural understanding and environmental stewardship. The paper explores strategies for staff training, infrastructure development, and destination marketing that cater to Muslim travelers' religious needs and cultural sensitivities. By embracing Islamic values, Indonesia can create a unique and thriving tourism industry that caters to both Muslim and non-Muslim visitors, fostering intercultural dialogue and sustainable development.

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Introduction

Indonesia, a breath-taking archipelago nation adorned with emerald rainforests, volcanic peaks, and turquoise coastlines, boasts a unique position in the global tourism landscape. (Boellstorff, 2005) As the world's most populous Muslim-majority country, (Saravanamuttu, 2009) it presents an unparalleled opportunity to cater to the growing segment of Muslim travelers seeking experiences that resonate with their faith and values. Yet, capitalizing on this potential requires a nuanced understanding that extends beyond simply offering halal food options. (Battour, 2018) This paper proposes a paradigm shift, advocating for a comprehensive approach to tourism development in Indonesia grounded in the rich tapestry of Islamic values. (Ariyani & Fauzi, 2022) Firstly, consider the sheer demographics shaping today's travel landscape. (Dahlan et al., 2017) Indonesia, with its deep-rooted Islamic traditions and cultural heritage, stands poised to capture a significant portion of this market share. However, current tourism offerings often fall short in addressing the specific needs and preferences of Muslim travelers. (Bloembergen & Eickhoff, 2020) Developing a comprehensive approach to tourism in Indonesia that aligns with Islamic values involves integrating cultural, religious, and ethical principles into the hospitality industry. Here's a structured approach to achieve this: **Understanding Islamic Values and Principles Hospitality in Islam:** Islam emphasizes hospitality, kindness, and respect towards guests. These principles should be the foundation of any tourism approach. **Halal Compliance:** Ensure that services and products meet halal standards. This includes food, accommodation, and activities that comply with Islamic dietary laws and ethical standards. **Cultural Sensitivity:** Be mindful of local customs, traditions, and religious practices to ensure respectful and meaningful experiences for both Muslim and non-Muslim visitors.

The crux of the issue lies in a narrow interpretation of "halal tourism." While the availability of halal food is undoubtedly crucial, (Effendi et al., 2021) it represents only one facet of a multifaceted experience. Muslim travelers seek an environment that aligns not just with their dietary restrictions but also with their religious practices, cultural sensitivities, and ethical values. This necessitates a broader conceptualization of halal tourism, one that embraces the core principles of Islam. (Jaelani, 2017) Two fundamental Islamic values hold immense potential for tourism development in Indonesia: *ihsan* (goodness) and *adab* (respect). (Maulana, 2022) The concept of *ihsan*, as explored refers to excellence in all actions, including extending the best possible hospitality to guests (Aydin, 2020) This translates into creating a tourism experience that prioritizes the comfort and well-being of visitors, ensuring prayer facilities are readily available, offering prayer rugs, and providing information on nearby mosques. (Kessler, 2015)

Adab, on the other hand, emphasizes respect - for oneself, others, and the environment. In the context of tourism, this translates into fostering cultural understanding by providing information on local customs and traditions, ensuring respectful interactions between tourists and locals, and promoting responsible tourism practices that minimize environmental impact. (Forshee, 2006) By integrating *adab* into tourism development, Indonesia can cultivate a welcoming atmosphere that resonates with Muslim travelers seeking a holistic, enriching experience. (Lemy et al., 2019)

The benefits of embracing Islamic values in tourism reach far beyond catering to Muslim visitors. (Adinugraha et al., 2021a) The fostering intercultural dialogue and understanding, Indonesia can create a more inclusive and welcoming environment for all travelers. (Sharma, 2021) This fosters a sense of community and facilitates positive interaction between diverse groups of people. Furthermore, a focus on sustainable practices, aligned with the Islamic principle of environmental stewardship, can ensure the long-term viability of Indonesia's tourism industry, preserving its natural beauty for future generations. This paper delves deeper into the practical application of Islamic values in Indonesian tourism. (Rizal & Maulini, 2020)

It explores strategies for staff training, infrastructure development, and destination marketing that cater to Muslim travelers' needs and sensitivities. Through case studies and industry best practices, it demonstrates how these principles can be translated into tangible actions that enhance the tourist experience for all. Ultimately, this paper argues that by building a tourism industry grounded in Islamic values of hospitality and respect, Indonesia can unlock its potential as a leading Muslim travel destination. Not only will this attract Muslim travelers from across the globe, but it will also foster a more inclusive and sustainable tourism industry that benefits both visitors and local communities.

Research Methodology

This research aims to explore how Islamic values of *ihsan* and *adab* can be integrated into various aspects of Indonesian tourism. Due to the multifaceted nature of the topic, a mixed-methods approach will be employed, combining qualitative and quantitative data collection techniques.

Literature Review: An extensive review of existing academic literature on Islamic tourism, hospitality management, and Indonesian tourism development will be conducted. This will provide a strong foundation of knowledge on relevant theories, best practices, and existing challenges. Sources will include academic journals, industry reports, and relevant government publications.

Expert Interviews: Semi-structured interviews will be conducted with key stakeholders in the Indonesian tourism industry. This may include representatives from tourism boards, hotels, travel agencies, religious authorities, and academic experts on Islamic tourism. The interviews will explore their perspectives on the current state of halal tourism in Indonesia, the potential role of Islamic values in tourism development, and the challenges and opportunities associated with implementing such an approach.

Case Studies: Analyzing successful examples of destinations that have effectively integrated Islamic values into their tourism offerings will provide valuable insights. This could involve studying established halal tourism destinations like Malaysia or Turkey, or focusing on specific hotels, resorts, or tour operators in Indonesia that have demonstrably embraced Islamic hospitality principles.

Survey: A quantitative survey targeting Muslim tourists visiting Indonesia will be conducted. The survey will gather data on their experiences, preferences, and expectations regarding halal tourism. It will explore their perspective on the importance of Islamic values in their travel experience and their satisfaction with the current offerings in Indonesia.

Data Analysis

Qualitative Analysis: Thematic analysis will be conducted on the interview transcripts and case study data. This process involves identifying recurring themes and patterns within the data, allowing for the emergence of key insights into the experiences and perspectives of stakeholders.

Quantitative Analysis: Descriptive statistics will be used to analyze the survey data, providing an overview of the demographics, preferences, and satisfaction levels of Muslim tourists visiting Indonesia.

Research Ethics

Throughout the research process, ethical considerations will be paramount. Informed consent will be obtained from all participants in interviews and surveys. Anonymity and confidentiality will be guaranteed to ensure open and honest responses.

Research Results

Halal and its History in Indonesia: A Deep Dive

Since the article is in the form of qualitative research, a discussion of the results is presented in the research article. Indonesia, a vibrant archipelago nation where emerald rainforests brush shoulders with volcanic peaks and turquoise coastlines, boasts a long and fascinating history intertwined with the concept of halal. (Adinugraha et al., 2021b) Here, we delve deeper into the meaning of halal, its historical journey in Indonesia, and its contemporary influence. (Levine, 1969) In the Islamic faith, "halal" translates to "permissible" and encompasses everything that adheres to Islamic law and teachings. While most applied to food and drink, the concept extends far beyond. It governs financial practices, personal hygiene, and even social interactions. In the context of food, halal specifically excludes pork and its derivatives, animals not slaughtered according to Islamic rituals, and ingredients deemed impure. The arrival of Islam in Indonesia began around the 7th century AD, carried on the winds of trade routes. As the religion took root, halal practices gradually became integrated into daily life. Early Muslim communities established guidelines for halal food preparation and consumption, ensuring adherence to Islamic principles within their homes and social circles.

A Historical Tapestry: The Evolution of Halal in Indonesia

Indonesia's historical journey with halal can be broadly divided into distinct eras:

Early Period (7th-16th centuries): This nascent stage focused on individual and community adherence to halal principles. Concepts like halal butchery and food preparation practices were established within communities, ensuring the consumption of food that aligned with Islamic teachings (Kusuma et al., 2016)

Rise of Sultanates (16th-19th centuries): With the emergence of powerful Islamic sultanates across Indonesia, halal regulations became more formalized. Rulers established official bodies to oversee food production and distribution, ensuring adherence to halal standards. These centralized institutions played a crucial role in safeguarding the integrity of the food supply chain (Faizin, 2023)

Colonial Era (19th-20th centuries): Dutch colonization in the 19th century disrupted traditional Islamic institutions, impacting the centralized control of halal certification. While official structures weakened, local communities continued to uphold halal practices at a household level, ensuring the continuity of these traditions within their families and social circles. (Passchier, 2008)

Post-Independence and Modernization (20th-21st centuries): Indonesia's independence in 1945 saw a renewed emphasis on Islamic values. (Agung, 2018) Government bodies like the Indonesian Ulema Council (MUI) were established to provide official halal certification for food products. (Feuer, 2014). This marked a shift towards a more centralized system, catering to the growing needs of the nation's food production and distribution networks. The rise of modern food production and distribution systems necessitated a more comprehensive halal certification process to ensure adherence to Islamic principles throughout the supply chain.

Today, halal is a significant aspect of Indonesian life, permeating not only individual choices but also shaping the nation's economic landscape. The halal food industry is experiencing a boom, with a growing demand for certified halal products both domestically and internationally. The MUI certification is widely recognized, and many restaurants and food producers actively seek certification to cater to the growing market of consumers who prioritize halal products. The concept of halal is increasingly extending beyond the realm of food to encompass tourism. Halal tourism caters specifically to the needs of Muslim travelers, ensuring access to prayer facilities, halal food options, and a respectful and culturally sensitive environment. This includes everything from providing dedicated prayer spaces in hotels and tourist attractions to offering information on nearby mosques and ensuring respectful interactions between tourists and locals. (Adinugraha et al., 2021a)

Indonesia, with its rich Islamic heritage and deep-rooted cultural traditions, boasts immense potential to be a leading destination for Muslim tourists. By embracing Islamic values of hospitality (ihsan) and respect (adab) in its tourism offerings, Indonesia can create a unique and thriving tourism industry that caters to both Muslim and non-Muslim visitors, fostering intercultural dialogue and sustainable growth. Halal has been a cornerstone of Indonesian life for centuries, evolving alongside the nation's history. (Saihu et al., 2020). From its roots in community practices to the modern focus on certification, halal continues to shape Indonesia's social and economic landscape. Recognizing this rich history is crucial in understanding the importance of halal in contemporary Indonesia and its potential to shape the future of the nation's tourism industry. As Indonesia moves forward, halal promises to remain a powerful force, weaving a legacy of faith, tradition, and economic opportunity.

Integrating Islamic Values into Indonesian Tourism

Indonesia, the world's most populous Muslim nation, boasts a unique position in the global tourism landscape. However, to fully unlock its potential as a Muslim travel destination, a paradigm shift is necessary. This conceptual framework proposes integrating Islamic values of ihsan and adab into every facet of Indonesian tourism, creating a comprehensive and holistic experience that resonates with Muslim travelers. The global Muslim travel market is experiencing significant growth, projected to reach USD 340 billion by 2024. This presents a lucrative opportunity for destinations catering to the specific needs and preferences of Muslim travelers. Indonesia, with its rich Islamic heritage and cultural diversity, is well-positioned to capitalize on this trend. However, current tourism offerings often lack the depth and comprehensiveness required to fully resonate with Muslim travelers.

This article proposes a paradigm shift, advocating for the integration of Islamic values into Indonesian tourism development. By focusing on the core concepts of ihsan and adab, Indonesia can create a more welcoming and fulfilling experience for Muslim visitors. (Sholehuddin et al., 2021)

Ihsan translates to "excellence in all actions" In the context of tourism, ihsan manifests in prioritizing the well-being of guests. This includes providing readily available prayer facilities, offering prayer rugs and Qurans in accommodation, and ensuring staff are trained on Islamic practices and dietary restrictions. Adab emphasizes respect for oneself, others, and the environment. With respect to tourism, adab translates into promoting cultural understanding through information on local customs and traditions. Additionally, adab encourages responsible practices that minimize environmental impact, aligning with Islamic principles of environmental stewardship. Based on the core values of ihsan and adab, the framework identifies four thematic pillars encompassing various aspects of the tourist experience. (Samudra & Zailani, 2023)

Hospitality and Service: Staff training on Islamic etiquette, dietary restrictions, and cultural sensitivities is crucial. This, combined with personalized service catering to specific needs and offering amenities like prayer rugs and Qurans, fosters a welcoming environment.

Destination Management: Developing dedicated prayer spaces in tourist attractions and public areas, providing clear signage and information on nearby mosques and halal restaurants, collaborating with local communities, and promoting responsible tourism practices are essential aspects of destination management.

Marketing and Communication: Highlighting Indonesia's Islamic heritage in marketing campaigns, targeting Muslim travel segments with specific interests, emphasizing Indonesia's commitment to sustainable tourism, and utilizing marketing materials accessible to Muslim audiences are key strategies for effective communication.

Product Development: Encouraging and facilitating halal certification for restaurants, hotels, and food vendors, developing halal tourism packages catering to specific interests, and

investing in infrastructure development that supports halal tourism needs contribute to a comprehensive product development strategy.

Integrating Islamic values into Indonesian tourism offers numerous benefits: A more comprehensive and culturally sensitive approach, catering to Muslim travelers' religious needs and cultural sensitivities, enhances their appeal as a tourist destination. Prioritizing guest comfort leads to higher tourist satisfaction and positive word-of-mouth recommendations, ultimately increasing tourist satisfaction. Attracting a larger share of the Muslim travel market boosts tourism revenue, contributing to economic growth. Respectful interactions promote cultural exchange and understanding, fostering intercultural dialogue. Adherence to environmental stewardship principles protects natural resources, contributing to sustainable tourism practices. (Fuadi & Suyatno, 2020)

Implementing this framework requires addressing certain challenges: Consistency and clarity across different regions in Indonesia for halal certification are crucial to ensure standardization. Comprehensive training on Islamic values and practices for tourism staff is essential for building capacity. Building dedicated prayer facilities and halal infrastructure requires investment in infrastructure development. Collaborations with local communities ensure cultural sensitivity and local ownership.

Integrating Islamic values into Indonesian tourism presents a transformative opportunity. By creating a welcoming, respectful, and culturally sensitive environment for Muslim travelers, Indonesia can unlock its potential as a leading halal tourism destination. This approach fosters economic growth, intercultural dialogue, and contributes to the long-term sustainability of the tourism industry. Embracing Islamic hospitality paves the way

Indonesia, a nation brimming with cultural tapestry and Islamic heritage, holds immense potential to become a leading force in halal tourism. However, to truly resonate with Muslim travelers seeking experiences that align with their faith and values, a paradigm shift is necessary. This shift revolves around integrating core Islamic values like *ihsan* and *adab* into every facet of the tourism experience. This section delves into the four thematic pillars that form the bedrock of this proposed framework, each encompassing various aspects of the tourist journey:

Hospitality and Service: Cultivating Ihsan Through Welcoming Gestures

Hospitality, a cornerstone of Islamic tradition, finds its practical application in tourism through prioritizing the well-being of Muslim guests. Here's how *ihsan* can be woven into the fabric of hospitality and service.

Staff Training: Equipping tourism staff with knowledge of Islamic etiquette, dietary restrictions, and cultural sensitivities is paramount. Training programs can cover topics like appropriate greetings, prayer customs, and understanding the significance of Islamic festivals. This fosters a more welcoming environment and demonstrates respect for Muslim beliefs.

Personalized Service: Going beyond basic hospitality, offering personalized service that caters to specific needs enhances the guest experience. This could involve offering prayer timetables upon check-in, providing recommendations for halal restaurants, or assisting with locating nearby mosques. Anticipating and exceeding guest expectations through personalized touches strengthens the sense of *ihsan*. (Kamri et al., 2024)

Dedicated Amenities: Offering amenities that cater to Muslim travelers' specific needs demonstrates a commitment to *ihsan*. This includes providing prayer rugs and Qurans in hotel rooms, ensuring dedicated prayer spaces with proper ablution facilities in hotels and airports, and offering prayer time reminders. Such gestures showcase inclusivity and a deep understanding of Muslim religious practices.

Culturally Sensitive Interactions: Creating a welcoming environment extends to fostering respectful interactions between staff and guests. Staff training should emphasize cultural sensitivity, including appropriate dress code for both staff and guests in specific areas.

Furthermore, ensuring staff are familiar with local customs and traditions allows them to guide guests respectfully while preserving the cultural integrity of the destination.

Destination Management: Enhancing Accessibility with Respectful Practices (Adab)

Managing tourist destinations with adab at the core ensures a respectful and accessible environment for Muslim travelers. Here's how adab can be implemented.

Dedicated Prayer Spaces: Availability of designated prayer spaces in tourist attractions and public areas is crucial. These spaces should be clean, well-maintained, and easily accessible, catering to both men and women. Signage in multiple languages, including Arabic, can guide visitors to these designated areas.

Information and Signage: Providing clear information on nearby mosques and halal restaurants is essential. This could be achieved through signage at tourist attractions, information brochures available in multiple languages, and interactive mobile applications that offer real-time updates.

Collaboration with Local Communities: Engaging with local mosques and Muslim communities fosters a sense of ownership and cultural sensitivity. Collaborations can involve joint initiatives to promote responsible tourism practices, offer cultural exchange opportunities, and ensure local communities benefit from tourism development.

Promoting Responsible Tourism: Adab emphasizes environmental stewardship, which aligns with Islamic principles of protecting nature. Promoting responsible tourism practices encourages mindful waste management, sustainable resource utilization, and eco-friendly transportation options.

Marketing and Communication: Highlighting Heritage with Respectful Messaging

Effective marketing and communication strategies are crucial to attract Muslim travelers. Here's how to leverage Islamic values in communication.

Highlighting Islamic Heritage: Indonesia boasts a rich Islamic heritage, evident in its mosques, historical landmarks, and cultural practices. Marketing campaigns should showcase this heritage through captivating visuals and informative content. This can attract Muslim travelers seeking experiences that connect them to their faith and cultural roots.

Targeted Segments: Muslim travelers encompass diverse interests. Segmenting marketing strategies to cater to specific interests is crucial. For example, campaigns can target families seeking culturally immersive experiences, history buffs drawn to Islamic historical sites, or those seeking spiritual rejuvenation through visits to mosques and religious sites.

Sustainability Messaging: Emphasize Indonesia's commitment to sustainable tourism practices in marketing messages. This resonates with Muslim travelers increasingly concerned about environmental responsibility and aligns with the Islamic principle of environmental stewardship.

Language Accessibility: Utilizing marketing materials and communication channels accessible to Muslim audiences is essential. This includes translating brochures, websites, and social media content into Arabic and other languages relevant to target markets.

Product Development: Crafting Experiences Aligned with Ihsan and Adab Developing tourism products that cater to the specific needs and preferences of Muslim travelers is key. Here's how product development can be guided by Islamic values:

Discussion

Indonesia, a breathtaking archipelago nation adorned with emerald rainforests, volcanic peaks, and turquoise coastlines, boasts a unique position in the global tourism landscape. As the world's most populous Muslim-majority country, it presents an unparalleled opportunity to cater to the growing segment of Muslim travelers seeking experiences that resonate with their faith and values. However, capitalizing on this potential requires a nuanced understanding that extends beyond simply offering halal food options. This article proposes a paradigm shift,

advocating for a comprehensive approach to tourism development in Indonesia grounded in the rich tapestry of Islamic values. Two fundamental concepts hold immense potential for tourism development: *ihsan* and *adab*.

Understanding Ihsan and Adab
Ihsan: This concept is about excellence and doing things to the best of one's ability, embodying kindness and compassion in interactions. It involves going beyond basic requirements to ensure a superior level of care and consideration.

Adab: Adab refers to proper etiquette and respect in behavior and interactions. It encompasses politeness, consideration, and maintaining a high standard of conduct in all interactions.

Practical Steps for Ihsan and Adab in Tourism
Guest Feedback Mechanism: Establish a robust feedback system that allows guests to share their experiences and suggestions. Act on this feedback to continuously improve services and demonstrate commitment to *ihsan*.

Staff Training Programs: Develop comprehensive training programs focusing on *ihsan* and *adab*. Include scenarios and role-playing exercises to help staff practice and internalize these values.

Community Engagement: Engage with local communities to ensure that tourism practices align with their values and traditions. Promote community-based tourism initiatives that respect and benefit local cultures.

The concept of *ihsan*, as explored by refers to excellence in all actions, including extending the best possible hospitality to guests in the context of tourism, *ihsan* translates into prioritizing the comfort and well-being of visitors. This manifests in readily available prayer facilities in hotels, airports, and tourist attractions, offering prayer rugs and Qurans, and providing information on nearby mosques. Staff training on Islamic practices and dietary restrictions fosters a more welcoming environment. By prioritizing guest comfort and exceeding expectations, Indonesia can create a truly memorable experience for Muslim travelers. (Anugrah et al., 2019)

Adab emphasizes respect - for oneself, others, and the environment. In tourism, *adab* translates into promoting cultural understanding by providing information on local customs and traditions. Ensuring respectful interactions between tourists and locals is crucial. Furthermore, *adab* emphasizes environmental stewardship, aligning with the Islamic principle of protecting nature. This encourages sustainable tourism practices that minimize environmental impact. By adopting these principles, Indonesia fosters a sense of community and responsibility, ensuring the long-term viability of its tourism industry. (Nurjannah et al., 2019) The benefits of embracing Islamic values in tourism extend far beyond catering to Muslim visitors. By fostering intercultural dialogue and understanding, Indonesia can create a more inclusive and welcoming environment for all travelers. This fosters a sense of community and facilitates positive interaction between diverse groups of people. Furthermore, a focus on sustainable practices aligns with the Islamic principle of environmental stewardship, ensuring the long-term viability of Indonesia's tourism industry for future generations. (Adinugraha et al., 2021b) Challenges remain on the path to realizing this vision. Standardizing halal certification across different regions and investing in staff training on Islamic practices are crucial first steps. Halal food options is also necessary. Community engagement with local mosques and religious leaders ensures cultural sensitivity and a sense of local ownership.

Looking forward, research into the specific needs of Muslim traveler segments can inform targeted marketing and product development. Public-private partnerships, technology integration, and effective marketing campaigns will further enhance Indonesia's appeal as a leading Muslim travel destination. Embracing Islamic hospitality presents a transformative opportunity for Indonesian tourism. By prioritizing the comfort and respect of Muslim travelers, Indonesia can unlock its potential as a leading halal tourism destination. This approach not only fosters economic growth but also promotes intercultural dialogue and contributes to a thriving and sustainable tourism industry for the future.

Conclusion

Indonesia stands at a crossroads, holding the potential to become a beacon of Islamic hospitality in the global tourism landscape. By embracing the core values of *ihsan* and *adab*, Indonesia can craft a tourism experience that transcends mere travel. It can offer Muslim travelers a sense of belonging, where their religious needs are met with respect and their comfort is prioritized. Developing a Distinct Islamic Hospitality Brand Identity: Create a strong brand identity that reflects Islamic values of hospitality, including *ihsan* and *adab*. Develop marketing materials that emphasize this unique aspect of Indonesian tourism. Halal Certification: Ensure widespread halal certification for hotels, restaurants, and tourist attractions. Highlight this certification in promotional materials to attract Muslim travel.

This approach extends beyond catering to a specific market segment. By fostering intercultural dialogue and promoting sustainable practices, Indonesia can create a more inclusive and environmentally responsible tourism industry. This fosters a sense of community and responsibility, ensuring the long-term viability of the sector for future generations.

Challenges remain, from standardizing halal certification to upskilling tourism staff. However, through focused research, public-private partnerships, and innovative technology integration, Indonesia can overcome these hurdles. Effective marketing campaigns that showcase its rich Islamic heritage alongside its natural beauty will further solidify its appeal as a leading Muslim travel destination. Embracing Islamic hospitality is not just about economic gain; it's about creating a vibrant tapestry of cultural exchange and mutual understanding. By weaving these values into the very fabric of its tourism industry, Indonesia can unlock its potential to become a leader in halal tourism, setting a precedent for inclusivity and responsible travel on the world stage. Standardizing halal certification and upskilling tourism staff are crucial steps in establishing a robust Islamic hospitality sector. These actions ensure that tourism services meet halal requirements, and that staff are well-prepared to offer excellent and culturally sensitive service. Here's how to approach both aspects effectively: standardizing halal certification and upskilling tourism staff, Indonesia can ensure that its tourism sector not only meets but exceeds the expectations of Muslim travelers. This comprehensive approach will help build trust, enhance guest satisfaction, and establish Indonesia as a premier destination for Islamic hospitality.

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