

## **Maybank Kim Eng Awarded Broker of the Year for Malaysia and Thailand**

Kuala Lumpur, 22 May 2014 - Maybank Kim Eng Group was awarded the Broker of the Year for Malaysia and Thailand by The Asian Banker at the Financial Markets Awards Dinner yesterday in the Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre.

John Chong, CEO of Maybank Investment Bank and Maybank Kim Eng Group, said, “We are extremely honoured to receive these awards. They are testament to our continuing commitment to our clients and our ability in providing the best services and solutions across ASEAN and the regional markets we operate in.”

Also present at the awards ceremony were Maybank Investment Bank’s Head of Retail Equities Malaysia, Lim Chee Kiong, and Maybank Kim Eng Thailand’s Co-CEO and Head of Retail Equities, Ms Boonporn Boriboonsongsilp, to receive the award for Thailand.

The Asian Banker’s awards ceremony is a landmark recognition programme to benchmark institutional achievement and performance in the markets and exchanges landscape in the Asia Pacific region. Winners are determined following an exhaustive evaluation of submissions conducted by The Asian Banker’s research teams. The awards programme has been administered by The Asian Banker since 2001.

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### **About Maybank Investment Bank Berhad**

Maybank Investment Bank Berhad (“Maybank IB”), incorporated under the name of Asian & Euro-American Merchant Bankers Malaysia in 1973, was formed to undertake the full range of investment banking services. Maybank IB, which is the Malaysian investment banking operation of the Maybank Kim Eng Group, has one of the most extensive dealing networks in the country, supported by one of the best research houses. It has vast experience in undertaking large Initial Public Offerings of both domestic and international firms, executing primary/private placements and share buybacks, and advising on mergers & acquisitions. On the debt financing front, Maybank IB has a proven track record in advising and arranging both Islamic and conventional bond issuance. It also offers financial advisory services, specialising in energy, infrastructure and utilities sectors, as well as policy and strategy advisory services for both public and private sectors. Building up its capability in both equity and commodity solutions, Maybank IB also offers over-the-counter structured products and investment products on exchanges, and futures broking for institutional, corporate and retail investors. It has won numerous prestigious awards such as The Asset Triple A's Best M&A House in Malaysia 2012 and Best Brokerage House Malaysia 2012, and has emerged in top two positions on the Malaysia Bloomberg Mergers & Acquisitions (M&A), Debt Market - Malaysia Domestic Bonds and Equity & Rights Offerings league tables.

### **About Maybank Kim Eng**

The Maybank Kim Eng group of companies, wholly owned by Maybank Group, comprises businesses stretching around the globe with offices in Malaysia, Singapore, Hong Kong, Thailand, Indonesia, Philippines, India, Vietnam, Saudi Arabia, Great Britain and the United States of America. Maybank Kim Eng has been in Asia for over 40 years and provides services in corporate finance, debt markets, equity capital markets, derivatives, retail and institutional securities broking and research. A leader in many of the Asian markets that it operates in, Maybank Kim Eng has won numerous prestigious awards in the markets that it serves. In 2013, it was awarded the Best Brokerage House award for Malaysia, Singapore, Thailand and Indonesia from The Asset, and also Alpha Southeast Asia's best Institutional Broker for Philippines and Thailand, and best Retail Broker for Philippines, Thailand and Vietnam. It was also ranked 1<sup>st</sup> in the Dealogic tables for Deal Value in IB&A and ranked 1<sup>st</sup> in M&A in ASEAN.

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