MAYBANK KIM ENG NAMED MOST INNOVATIVE INVESTMENT BANK FROM ASIA-PACIFIC

Kuala Lumpur, 8 October 2014 - Maybank Kim Eng has been awarded the "Most Innovative Investment Bank from Asia-Pacific" in 2014 by The Banker magazine, a subsidiary of the Financial Times Group. Winners of The Banker's Investment Banking Awards were announced on 2 October 2014 at an award ceremony held in London.

In its 8th year, The Banker's Investment Banking Awards is an annual global awards programme that recognises the best innovators among Tier 1 investment banks and independent firms. Winners are chosen by a panel of 14 industry experts.

Brian Caplen, editor of The Banker said: "Maybank Kim Eng is a leading player in the Malaysian and Asian regional markets across a wide range of activities from bonds to Islamic finance to project finance and syndicated loans. The judges recognised its innovative skills in coming up with solutions for its clients. Maybank Kim Eng is a deserving winner of this award."

Commenting on the award win, John Chong, CEO of Maybank Kim Eng Group, said: "We are very honoured to receive this prestigious award which is a true testament to the strength of our integrated platform, the expertise of our team as well as our strong commitment to deliver innovative solutions that serve the global ambitions of our clients. We look forward to building on this momentum as we continue to grow and strengthen our footprint across the region."

A further testament to its strength, Maybank Kim Eng was also very recently named the Best Investment Bank in Malaysia for 2014 by the Global Banking & Finance Review and Best Bank for Real Estate M&A Advisory in Malaysia for 2014 by Euromoney.

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About Maybank Kim Eng

The Maybank Kim Eng group of companies 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.

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 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 with the more recent ones being Alpha Southeast Asia's Best Institutional Broker and Best Retail Broker 2014 at its 8th Annual Best Financial Institutions Awards.

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