

Maybank Investment Bank voted Malaysia's Best Brokerage House by Fund Managers in Asiamoney's Brokers Poll 2015

- *Also voted best Best Overall Country Research and Macroeconomic Research for Malaysia*

Kuala Lumpur, 21 December 2015 - Maybank Investment Bank ("Maybank IB") was voted Best Brokerage House in Malaysia, Best Overall Country Research and Best Macroeconomic Research for Malaysia by fund managers across the world in Asiamoney's Brokers Poll 2015. The Asiamoney's Brokers Poll is Asia's largest and most recognised annual equities poll for institutional research and brokerage, and this year's poll received a total of 5549 audited responses from 2,564 different fund management institutions from around the world.

Maybank IB's research team also topped the poll in several categories namely Best Research Coverage for Banks, Diversified Financials, Insurance, Real Estate, Semiconductors and Semiconductor Equipment, Technology Hardware & Equipment, and Utilities. In addition, the investment bank was voted Best for Overall Sales Services, Best for Execution, Best in Sales Trading, Best for Event and/or Conferences, and Best for Roadshows and Company Visits.

The investment bank, known globally as Maybank Kim Eng, was also voted third for the Most Improved Brokerage over the last 12 months in Asia (ex-Japan), the Most Improved Brokerage in the last 12 months in Thailand, second Best Brokerage House in Singapore and Philippines, amongst others.

Commenting on the achievement, John Chong, Chief Executive Officer of Maybank Investment Bank and Maybank Kim Eng Group said, "We are extremely honoured to have received such strong recognition from our clients. Over the past few years, we have been strengthening our institutional equities offerings and building up our research teams across the region, and this acknowledgement is clear testament that our efforts are bearing fruits."

Maybank Investment Bank's ranking in the 2015 Asiamoney's Brokers Poll

REGIONAL	ANALYST/SALESPERSON
Overall regional sales as voted by most active traders (Asia excluding Australia and Japan) #10	
Best salesperson servicing hedge funds #2	Kenric Singhakowin
Most improved brokerage over the last 12 months in Asia (excluding Japan) #3	

MALAYSIA	ANALYST/SALESPERSON
Best Local Brokerage in Malaysia	
Best for overall country research in Malaysia	
Best Research Coverage:	
Sector	
Macroeconomics	Suhaimi Ilias
Banks	Desmond Ch'Ng Lye Hoe
Diversified Financials	Desmond Ch'Ng Lye Hoe
Insurance	Desmond Ch'Ng Lye Hoe
Real Estate	Wei Sum Wong
Semiconductors and Semiconductor Equipment	Ivan Yap Boon Tiong
Technology Hardware & Equipment	Ivan Yap Boon Tiong
Utilities	Chi Wei Tan
Best overall sales services in Malaysia	
Best salesperson in Malaysia	Lucy Chong
Best salesperson in Malaysia #2	Grace Yau
Best sales trader in Malaysia	Su Yen Loke
Best execution in Malaysia	
Best in sales trading in Malaysia	
Most improved brokerage over the last 12 months in Malaysia #2	
Best for event and/or conference in Malaysia	
Best for roadshows and company visits in Malaysia	
Most independent research brokerage in Malaysia #2	

PHILIPPINES
Best local brokerage in the Philippines #2
Best overall sales service in the Philippines #3
Most improved brokerage in the Philippines #3

SINGAPORE	ANALYST/SALESPERSON
Best local brokerage in Singapore #2	
Best sales trader in Singapore #3	Connie Tan
Most improved brokerage in Singapore #2	

THAILAND
Best overall sales service in Thailand #3
Most improved brokerage over the last 12 months in Thailand
Best for roadshows and company visits in Thailand #3

Note: The ranking is #1 unless indicated otherwise

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Maybank Investment Bank is one of Malaysia's leading investment banks with extensive dealing networks in the country, supported by one of the best research houses. It has been in operation for more than 40 years and 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. Known globally as Maybank Kim Eng, it has presence in 11 countries namely Malaysia, Singapore, Hong Kong, Thailand, Indonesia, Philippines, India, Vietnam, Saudi Arabia, Great Britain and the United States of America.

Maybank Kim Eng is the fully-owned investment banking arm of Maybank, one of Asia's leading banking groups and South East Asia's fourth largest bank by assets. The Maybank Group has an international network of 2,400 offices in 19 countries, over 46,000 employees serving more than 22 million customers worldwide.

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