

## News Release

### **Maybank Kim Eng Clinches FinanceAsia's Best Broker Award In Thailand And Philippines**

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Maybank Kim Eng's Thailand and Philippines operations have been awarded 'Best Broker' by FinanceAsia in its Country Awards. This was a result of FinanceAsia's annual look at the best financial services firms in various Asian markets.

Maybank Kim Eng Securities (Thailand) is Thailand's largest securities firm, and has been the number one brokerage for ten years running in terms of market share. This is the second consecutive year Maybank Kim Eng Securities (Thailand) has captured first place in this category.

This year, Maybank Kim Eng Securities (Thailand) is planning on continuing to expand its network by opening three new branches, bringing its reach to 45 branches nationwide with over 700 qualified investment professionals. By the end of June this year, Maybank Kim Eng Securities (Thailand) will offer its domestic investors the ability to trade in four key overseas markets - Hong Kong, Singapore, Malaysia and United States (NASDAQ and New York Stock Exchange). Access to additional markets are being planned for the future.

For Maybank ATR Kim Eng Securities, this is its sixth win in this category for the Philippines. The organisation was ranked number one among trading participants in the Philippine Stock Exchange last year in terms of market value traded. Maybank ATR Kim Eng Securities is currently looking to further strengthen and grow its retail broking business. The firm is working with Maybank Kim Eng group of companies to leverage and harness synergies and build their product suites to target this category of clients.

Tengku Dato' Zafrul, Group Chief Executive of Maybank Kim Eng, said: "Our team strives to deliver timely information and insights, and provide cutting-edge solutions to empower our clients to capitalise on the potential of Asia."

“We are grateful for these accolades and honoured to have been the partner of choice for investors in the region. This recognition from the industry and our clients will drive us to work harder at enhancing our product proposition to our clients in order that they may have a better trading experience.”

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### About Maybank Kim Eng

The Maybank Kim Eng group of companies comprises securities and investment banking 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 39 years and provides services in corporate finance, investment banking, debt markets, equity capital markets, derivatives, retail and institutional securities broking and research.

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