

## Maybank bagged 20 awards at The Asset Triple A Islamic Finance Awards 2017

KUALA LUMPUR, 17 July 2017: Maybank Group Islamic Banking (MGIB)'s commendable and steady growth and sustained leadership in 2016, have again received recognition with numerous awards at the recent Asset Triple A Islamic Finance Awards 2017.

Maybank Islamic Berhad (Maybank Islamic) clinched the award for The Islamic Bank of the Year, Asia Pacific and the Malaysian operations also won in the categories of Best Islamic Bank and Best Retail Bank, which marked the bank's 7th consecutive wins to date.

Maybank Singapore was awarded The Islamic Bank of the Year and Best Retail Bank in Singapore. The Bank which structured its first Shariah-compliant hotel financing deal in Singapore last year also won the in the category for Best Islamic Deal, Singapore award.

The S\$260 million Islamic financing deal in April last year, was considered the first-of-its-kind to be done in Singapore as hospitality-related assets are not typically used in Islamic financing. It was also one of the biggest Islamic deals in the Republic.

Maybank Islamic also won in the categories of Best Local Currency Sukuk and Best Islamic Syndicated Financing.

Derived from key markets in Malaysia, Singapore and Indonesia, MGIB's pre-tax profit rose 13.4% to RM1.95 billion while total income grew 12.9% to RM3.87 billion, and financing increased 15.7% to RM159.48 billion in the financial year ended 31 December 2016.

The Asset Triple A Islamic Finance Awards 2017 ceremony took place in Kuala Lumpur recently and Maybank Islamic was represented by its Head, Corporate and Investment Banking, Arshad Mohamed Ismail.

In the same ceremony, Maybank's other subsidiaries, namely Maybank Kim Eng and Maybank Investment also won 12 other awards in the best Sukuk and best Islamic deal segments, including the Sukuk House of the Year award for Maybank Kim Eng.

Maybank Group Head, Islamic Banking and CEO of Maybank Islamic Dato' Mohamed Rafique Merican attributed the wins to the strong internal collaboration and support from the rest of the teams at Maybank Group.

"With such solid teamwork, our Group Islamic banking business has grown significantly over the years. Getting a recognition like this will surely push us forward to further strengthen our resolve to stay ahead in the industry and we will continue to be committed in providing innovation solutions to our customers," he said.

The Asset Triple A Awards are Asia's defining recognition for excellence in the industry. This reputation has been built upon the stringent methodology, combined with the rigorous approach to the selection of the winners of the coveted Triple A. The awards are adjudicated by The Asset's Board of editors who collectively have several decades worth of evaluating industry awards in Asia.

## About Maybank Islamic Berhad

Maybank Islamic is Malaysia's largest and ASEAN's leading Islamic bank and is one of top Islamic banks globally, with a market share of 33.9% of Islamic financing and 29.7% for deposits and investment account as at March 31, 2017.

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We won!: From left to right, Maybank Islamic Head of Corporate and Investment Banking Arshad Mohamed Ismail, Maybank Investment Regional Co-Head, Debt Capital Market(DCM), Wong Kwok Kuan, Maybank Investment Regional Head, DCM V. Saraswathy, Maybank Investment Regional Head, Debt Market, Caroline Teoh and Maybank Investment Head DCM, Tengku Arif Azhar Tengku Mohamed.

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