HKMA-BNM Joint Conference on Islamic Finance

Sukuk as a Viable Fund-Raising and Investment Instrument

14 April 2014 (Monday) | 09:00 am – 01:00 pm HKMA Auditorium, 55/F, Two International Finance Centre, 8 Finance Street, Central, Hong Kong

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08:30 - 09:00	Registration
09:00 - 09:15	Opening Remarks
	Hong Kong Monetary Authority: • Peter Pang, Deputy Chief Executive Bank Negara Malaysia: • Muhammad Ibrahim, Deputy Governor
09:15 – 09:30	Business Opportunity for Islamic Finance in Hong Kong ➤ Market insights on Islamic finance business opportunities ➤ What it takes for Hong Kong entities to issue sukuk – issues & challenges Speaker: • Choon-Hong Tee, Managing Director, Head of Capital Markets Greater China, Global Head of CNH Capital Market Products, Standard Chartered Bank
09:30 – 10:15	 Structuring Sukuk Understanding features of sukuk - asset based vs asset backed, Shariah-compliance, underlying assets (e.g. commodities traded on Bursa Suq Al-Sila) Key legal issues for sukuk (e.g. legal vs beneficial ownership, transferability of underlying assets, purchase undertaking, trust concept, liabilities and obligations of sukuk originator and issuer, rights and interests of sukuk investors, sukuk default scenarios) Pricing, cost, time-to-market, mode of issuance Moderator: Stefan Gannon, General Counsel, Hong Kong Monetary Authority Speakers: Nik Norzrul Thani, Chairman/Senior Partner, ZicoLaw, Malaysia
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10:15 – 10:45	Coffee Break & Networking

10:45 - 11:15

New Frontiers of the Sukuk Market

- > Evolution from tangible assets to intangible asset-based sukuk
- > Emergence of business trust sukuk and perpetual sukuk
- > Analysis of tenor, pricing, type and location of investors for recent sovereign and corporate issuers

Moderator:

Nik Mohamed Din Nik Musa, Director, MIFC Promotions Unit, Bank Negara Malaysia

Speakers:

- Rafe Haneef, Chief Executive Officer, HSBC Amanah Malaysia Berhad
- **Usman Ahmed**, Managing Director & Head of Global Islamic Banking Asia-Pacific, Citi (invited)

11:15 - 11:45

Case Study 1: Axiata's RMB Sukuk

- Why issue RMB sukuk
- > Issues and challenges in issuing RMB sukuk

Speaker:

 Mohamad Safri Shahul Hamid, Deputy Chief Executive Officer, CIMB Islamic Bank Berhad

11:45 - 12:15

Case Study 2: Noble's MYR Sukuk

> Noble Group (HK)'s experience in issuing MYR sukuk - issues, challenges and benefits

Speaker:

• Jeanny Kim, Director, Capital Markets, Noble Group (HK) (invited)

12:15 - 13:00

Growing Investors' Appetite for Sukuk

- > Requirement and preference for Shariah-compliant investments by Islamic institutions and investors
- > Diversification of portfolio by conventional investors (e.g. new asset class, risk, currency, tenor) adding demand for sukuk
- Issuances/announcements to issue sukuk by new sukuk markets (e.g. Turkey, UK, HK) creating further momentum on demand
- Competitive returns of sukuk vs bond with efficient price discovery

Moderator

Christina Choi, Senior Director, Investment Products, Securities and Futures Commission

Speakers:

- Cecilia Chan, Chief Investment Officer of Fixed Income, Asia-Pacific, HSBC Global Asset Management
- Shahril Ridza Ridzuan, Chief Executive Officer, Employees Provident Fund, Malaysia
- Md Noor Abd. Rahman, Chief Executive Officer, RHB Islamic International Asset Management Berhad

13:00

Luncheon & End of Conference

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