

**CAGAMAS WINS TWO AWARDS AT THE ASSET TRIPLE A ISLAMIC FINANCE
AWARDS 2018**



From Left to Right:

Datuk Chung Chee Leong, President/Chief Executive Officer, Cagamas Berhad

Mr. Daniel Yu, Editor-in-Chief, The Asset

Kuala Lumpur, 11 July 2018 – Cagamas Berhad (Cagamas/Company), the National Mortgage Corporation of Malaysia was awarded the *Issuer of the Year – Quasi-sovereign* by The Asset. Cagamas was also accorded the *Best Quasi-Sovereign Sukuk* for its dual re-opening of three-year 475 million ringgit sukuk and 525 million ringgit sukuk. President/Chief Executive Officer Datuk Chung Chee Leong, accepted the awards on behalf of Cagamas at The Asset Triple A Islamic Finance Awards 2018 ceremony which was held in Kuala Lumpur.

Datuk Chung said, “We are extremely proud to receive the awards; Cagamas has been accorded awards by The Asset Triple A Islamic Finance since 2008, which evidences continued confidence in line with the Company’s mandate to support the development of the Islamic capital market. The awards received also signify the Company’s continuous efforts in maintaining its position as one of the top issuers of sukuk domestically.”

Cagamas continued to play an active role in facilitating intermediation in the Malaysian financial sector by providing liquidity, capital and risk management solutions to financial institutions. In 2017, Cagamas issued a total of RM3.04 billion Islamic Medium Term Notes (IMTN) which made up 20% of the overall primary supply within the AAA rated sukuk market. In addition, Cagamas also continued to supply short term Islamic Commercial Papers (ICP) amounting to RM805 million which catered to requirement needs of short term sukuk investors. The Company also recorded a strong secondary traded amount of RM3.8 billion, which marked a secondary trading ratio of more than 33% over the outstanding Cagamas Sukuk, standing at RM11.292 billion at the end of 2017. . In the foreign market, the Company continued its supply of foreign currency sukuk in the ASEAN region through issuance of SGD denominated sukuk thus promoting development of Islamic finance and strengthening the Country's position as the international Islamic financial hub.

“The innovative dual-tranche reopening concluded in September 2017 was the first of its kind for the Company and the domestic market. The deal also evidenced Cagamas' continued strategic efforts to enhance secondary liquidity by increasing the size of outstanding issues. The order book received overwhelming response which allowed the Company to successfully tighten the price by 2 basis points and upsize the issuance from an initial size of MYR800 million to MYR1.0 billion” added Datuk Chung.

The Asset Triple A Islamic Finance Awards 2018 ceremony was organised by the Asset, an issuer and investor-focused financial monthly publication based in Hong Kong.

About Cagamas

Cagamas Berhad (Cagamas), the National Mortgage Corporation of Malaysia, was established in 1986 to promote the broader spread of home ownership and growth of the secondary mortgage market in Malaysia. It issues corporate bonds and sukuk to finance the purchase of housing loans from financial institutions and non-financial institutions. The provision of liquidity to financial institutions at a reasonable cost to the primary lenders of housing loans encourages further expansion of financing for houses at an affordable cost.

The Cagamas model is well regarded by the World Bank as the most successful secondary mortgage liquidity facility. Cagamas is the second largest issuer of debt instruments after the Government of Malaysia and the largest issuer of AAA corporate bonds and sukuk in the market. Since incorporation in 1986, Cagamas has cumulatively issued circa RM309.4 billion worth of corporate bonds and Sukuk.

Cagamas' corporate bonds and sukuk continue to be assigned the highest ratings of AAA and P1 by RAM Rating Services Berhad and AAA/AAA_{IS} and MARC-1/MARC-1_{IS} by Malaysian Rating Corporation Berhad, denoting its strong credit quality. Cagamas is also well regarded internationally and has been assigned local and foreign currency long-term issuer ratings of A3 by Moody's Investors Service Inc. that are in line with Malaysian sovereign ratings.

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