

## **News Room**

## **RHB Mudharabah Fund Wins Morningstar Award**

Kuala Lumpur, 12 March 2009: RHB Investment Management Sdn Bhd ('RHBIM')'s RHB Mudharabah Fund has won an award by Morningstar for the category of Islamic Balanced yesterday.

Launched in 1996, the RHB Mudharabah Fund provides a balanced mix of income and potential capital growth by investing in stocks listed on Bursa Malaysia or any other stock exchanges, unlisted stocks and Islamic debt securities and other non- interest bearing assets acceptable under the principles of Shariah.

"Today's award is a testimony of the effort put in by our fund managers for the past few years, where they have strived very hard to improve not only the RHB Mudharabah Fund's performance, but also all our other funds' performances," said Sharifatul Hanizah Said Ali, Managing Director of RHB Investment Management.

"This award is meaningful in these challenging times as it is a testament to the consistent long- term risk- adjusted performance of the Fund, which is the global standard applied by Morningstar for their awards worldwide. For this, we have our investors to thank because it was their trust in us that have brought us today's achievement. I would also like to add that besides the award from Morningstar, we also received recognition from The Assetm agazine in 2008 for being one of the Top 5 Most Astute Investors in local currency bonds in Malaysia," she added.

The objective of the annual Morningstar Fund Awards is to recognize those funds and fund groups that have added the most value within the context of a relevant peer group for investors over the past year and over the longer term.

This methodology emphasizes the one-year period, but funds must also have delivered strong three-and five-year risk adjusted returns in order to win the award. Only open-end funds with five-year performance histories that are available for sale in Malaysia with a minimum fund size of at least RM20 million in assets as at December 31, 2008 are eligible for it.

RHBIM is a wholly-owned subsidiary of RHB Investment Bank, under the Corporate and Investment Banking arm of the RHB Banking Group, and currently has a stable of 25 retail funds.

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