

## **News Room**

RHB Bank Berhad Completes Inaugural US Dollar Senior Unsecured Notes Issuance of USD300 Million under Its USD500 Million Euro Medium Term Note Programme (the "Programme") Which Was Established In 2011

**Kuala Lumpur 15 May 2012** – RHB Bank Berhad ("RHB Bank") had on 11 May 2012 completed its inaugural US dollar senior unsecured notes issuance of USD300 million (the "Senior Notes") under its Euro Medium Term Note Programme of up to USD500 million (or its equivalent in other currencies) in nominal value (the "Programme") which was established in 2011.

The Senior Notes, rated A3 by Moody's Investors Service and BBB+ by Standard & Poor's Ratings, have a tenor of five years, maturing on May 11, 2017. The Senior Notes, priced at 99.675, will pay a coupon of 3.25% p.a. which is equivalent to a reoffer yield to investors of 3.321% (5-year US Treasury + 2.55% per annum).

The transaction was 5.7 times oversubscribed and the order book was well diversified. In terms of geographical distribution, Asian investors were allocated 92% and European investors 8%. In terms of investors, banks were allocated 39% of the issue, asset managers 41%, insurance companies 13% and private banks 7%.

"We are very pleased that the Senior Notes received a positive response from a wide array of investors. The success of the transaction is also a reflection of investors' confidence in RHB Bank and our business model. We believe this success reflects very well on the financial resilience and credit strengths, as well as the strong shareholder support of RHB Bank" says Encik Johari Abdul Muid, the Managing Director of RHB Bank.

The net proceeds from the issue will be utilised for general working capital and other corporate purposes. The Senior Notes will be listed on the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited.

Merrill Lynch International, Citigroup Global Markets Limited, and RHB Investment Bank Berhad are Joint Bookrunners for the issue.

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