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RHB INVESTMENT BANK WINS RAM RATINGS' "OUTSTANDING DEAL OF THE YEAR 2013" AWARD

Kuala Lumpur, 6 May 2014 – RHB Investment Bank (RHBIB) was awarded the prestigious *Outstanding Deal of the Year* award at the RAM League Awards in recognition of its accomplishment in the Malaysian bond market last year.

RHBIB won the *Outstanding Deal of the Year* award by emerging tops from among three other winners of RAM's Blueprint Awards 2013, making this a much sought-after recognition for investment banks that support issuers to tap into the Malaysian debt capital markets for funding. Under RAM's Blueprint Awards 2013, RHBIB received the *New Structured-Finance Benchmark Deal* award.

This award was presented to RHBIB for its role as the Sole Principal Adviser, Sole Lead Arranger and Sole Lead Manager in the world's first Structured Covered Sukuk Murabahah Programme of up to RM3.0 billion backed by financing receivables for Malaysia Building Society Berhad (MBSB) which was launched in December 2013.

"It is an honour for RHB Investment Bank to be receiving such an esteemed award that is intensely contested among investment banking institutions. The award affirms RHBIB's growing presence in the local and regional sukuk market as well as our strength in introducing innovative deals that contribute to the breadth of the Malaysia debt capital market," said Mike Chan, Managing Director/Chief Executive Officer of RHB Investment Bank.

RHBIB also emerged third by programme value in the *Lead Manager Award for Islamic Bonds* in 2013, an acknowledgement of RHBIB's leading position in RAM Ratings' League Table.

As RHBIB continues to dominate the sukuk market it was also acknowledged by The Asset Triple A Islamic Finance as the *Rising Star Sukuk House of the Year - Asia Pacific*. It also won the Best Deal for Malaysia and Best Islamic Structured Financing/Best Local Currency Sukuk for the Bank's role in the MBSB deal.

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