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**AmInvest - Largest ETF provider<sup>1</sup> wins Malaysia's Best ETF Provider Award**

AmInvest bagged "Malaysia's Best ETF Provider" award at The Asset Triple A Private Banking, Wealth Management, Investment and ETF Awards 2016<sup>2</sup>. AmInvest is the provider and fund manager for Malaysia's first bond and equity exchange-traded funds (ETFs), ABF Malaysia Bond Index Fund (ABF Malaysia) and FTSE Bursa Malaysia KLCI etf (FBM KLCI etf).<sup>3</sup>

The award was given to AmInvest that has provided Exchange-Traded Fund (ETF) products for their clients by The Asset. The Asset commended "AmInvest for the ability to attract international investors allowing AmInvest to almost double the assets under management (AUM) of ABF Malaysia"<sup>4</sup>. Now, AmInvest commands 82% of the Malaysian ETFs' market share<sup>1</sup>. There are a total of 8 ETFs that are listed in Malaysia, whereby ABF Malaysia is currently the only bond ETF in the market and is the largest ETF in Malaysia at RM2 billion in fund value.<sup>5</sup>

"We are pleased that our ETF offerings, ABF Malaysia and FBM KLCI etf have been recognised as relevant to meet the evolving needs of our investors, said Datin Maznah Mahbob, Chief Executive Officer of AmInvest. "In a span of a year, ABF Malaysia's fund value has experienced phenomenal growth of around 180%,<sup>1</sup> indicating a strong appetite for sovereign risk in this low yield environment, which is now the new norm".

ABF Malaysia effectively buys into a portfolio of mainly Malaysian government bonds. It tracks the performance of Markit iBoxx®ABF Malaysia Bond Index. FBM KLCI etf is designed to follow the performance of its benchmark index, FTSE Bursa Malaysia KLCI (FBM KLCI). FBM KLCI can be seen as representing the barometer

of Malaysia's top 30 largest companies in terms of market capitalisation. For both of the ETFs, investors can buy into a trading board lot size of 100 units, which is listed in Bursa Malaysia.

ABF Malaysia, has clocked in a 1-year return of 5.8%<sup>6</sup>. Meanwhile, for the past one year, FBM KLCI etf, the equity ETF has registered a total return of -1.8%.<sup>6</sup> Both funds' returns track their respective benchmark's performance.

The Asset, a leading financial publishing group in Asia-Pacific based in Hong Kong, has the widest audited reach among Asian issuers and global institutional investors active in the region.

For further details on FBM KLCI etf and ABF Malaysia Bond Index Fund, please visit [www.fbmklcietf.com.my](http://www.fbmklcietf.com.my) or [www.abfmy1.com.my](http://www.abfmy1.com.my).

**About AmlInvest** AmlInvest is the brand for the funds management business of AMMB Holdings Berhad which manages both conventional and Shariah-compliant funds. It is one of the leading fund management houses in Malaysia and has an award-winning track record spanning more than three decades. To date, AmlInvest manages unit trust and wholesale funds, institutional mandates, exchange-traded funds (ETF) and Private Retirement Scheme (PRS) funds, encompassing both conventional and Shariah-compliant funds.

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**Sources:**

1. In terms of fund value. Data extracted from Lipper for Investment Management by Lipper, a Thomson Reuters company, 31 July 2016. Date extracted 9 August 2016.
2. Notification by The Asset, 9 August 2016
3. Based on launch date. Data extracted from Lipper for Investment Management by Lipper, a Thomson Reuters company, 31 July 2016. Date extracted 9 August 2016.
4. The Asset, <http://www.theasset.com/awards/etf-awards-2016>, date extracted 15 August 2016
5. Data extracted from Lipper for Investment Management by Lipper, a Thomson Reuters company, 31 July 2016. Date extracted 9 August 2016.
6. Data extracted from Lipper for Investment Management by Lipper, a Thomson Reuters company, for the period 31 July 2015 to 31 July 2016, performance based on total returns. Data extracted 9 August 2016.

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A copy of the Prospectus(es) for ABF Malaysia Bond Index Fund ("ABF Malaysia") and FTSE Bursa Malaysia KLCI etf ("FBM KLCI etf") have been registered with the Securities Commission Malaysia. You may view the Prospectus(es) from the funds' website at [www.abfmy1.com.my](http://www.abfmy1.com.my) and at [www.fbmklcietf.com.my](http://www.fbmklcietf.com.my) respectively, [www.aminvest.com](http://www.aminvest.com) and Bursa Securities' website at [www.bursamalaysia.com](http://www.bursamalaysia.com).

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