

<b>Document:</b>	Closing Speech for Tan Sri Amirsham A Aziz Chairman, Bursa Malaysia Berhad
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<b>Venue:</b>	Exhibition Hall 5, Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre

Yang Berhormat Dato' Ir Haji Amiruddin Hamzah  
Deputy Minister of Finance

Yang Berbahagia Datuk Seri Tajuddin Atan  
Chief Executive Officer, Bursa Malaysia

Ms Selvarany Rasiah  
Chief Commercial Officer, Bursa Malaysia

Distinguished Guests

Members of the Media

Ladies and Gentlemen

Assalamualaikum warahmatullahi wabarakatuh and a very good afternoon.

1. On behalf of Bursa Malaysia, I would like to convey my thanks to all of those who have made the Shariah Investing Fair 2018, once again, a resounding success.
2. I wish to thank all our distinguished guest speakers for the insights that they have shared from their respective areas of expertise.
3. Let me also acknowledge our industry partners for their relentless support and their contribution - our Brokers, Fund Management Companies, Financial Institutions, Insurance and Takaful Operators, PLCs and Government Agencies. I am extremely pleased to see the variety of products and services on display this weekend.
4. Last but not least, I wish to thank the 10,000 visitors who made the time to attend and engage with us over the last 2 days at the Shariah Investment Fair 2018.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

5. “A dream without ambition is like a car without gas, you’re not going anywhere”.
6. The national agenda spurred by the country’s ambition of establishing Malaysia as the world’s leading global Islamic investing marketplace is well underway.
7. Bursa Malaysia’s Islamic Capital Market (“ICM”) innovations such as Bursa Malaysia-*i*, Bursa Suq-Al-Sila’ and Islamic Securities Selling and Buying Transaction (ISSBNT), all of which are pioneering platforms and services , have certainly helped strengthened our claim to this position.
8. Widespread international market promotion and market access will continue to be the core focus underpinning our ICM growth strategy. As such, key events such as the Shariah Investing Fair are the vehicles that deliver increased visibility and promote Shariah investing to the growing number of not just Muslim investors, but any investor who favours sustainable, inclusive and responsible investing.
9. Whilst the Malaysian ICM has come a long way and is set to continue its growth trajectory, new capabilities and strategies are needed to tap the immense opportunities arising from this growing segment.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

10. As we think about the future, it is important to look back at where we started and how things have evolved since.
11. Consider the influence of digitisation. Today, an average individual investor has more information available at his fingertips than ever before. Investors now have ready access to information that up until a few years ago was available only to stock broking professionals.
12. The digital disruption is making quick redundancies of existing systems and ways of doing things. With that in mind, the launch of the Bursa Marketplace mobile application is a defining moment in Bursa Malaysia’s digitization journey, democratising stock investing for everyone.
13. This enhanced Bursa Marketplace app is designed to allow investors to be nimbler, giving them the ability to keep the entire Malaysian stock and futures market in their pocket.

14. I am excited about the prospects this development brings to encourage retail investing, and I hope to see all of you registering for an account at [www.bursamarketplace.com](http://www.bursamarketplace.com) and downloading the app from the AppStore and Google Playstore today.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

15. Let me end by once again thanking you for all your support. I believe that the Shariah Investing Fair is an important feature of Malaysia's Capital Markets, serving as a platform of knowledge and information sharing, to bridge the knowledge gap between investment service providers and individual investors.
16. It is my hope that the Shariah Investing Fair 2018 has sparked more conversations among new and seasoned investors, and opened up constructive channels to augment their individual investing experiences that lie ahead. In closing, I wish you all a productive week ahead.

**Thank you**

**Wabillahi taufiq wal hidayah wassalamualaikum warahmatullahi wabarakatuh.**

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