

**INVEST MALAYSIA 2010
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**WELCOME REMARKS BY
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Assalamualaikum warahmatullahi wabarakatuh and a very good morning

Yang Amat Berhormat Dato' Sri Mohd Najib Bin Tun Abdul Razak,
the Honourable Prime Minister

Yang Amat Berhormat Tan Sri Haji Muhyiddin bin Mohd. Yassin,
Deputy Prime Minister

Yang Berhormat Tan Sri Md Nor Yakcop, Minister in the Prime Minister's Office,
Economic Planning Unit

Yang Berbahagia Tan Sri Zarinah Anwar, Chairman of the Securities Commission of
Malaysia

Yang Berhormat Menteri-Menteri

Your Excellencies

Tan Sri-Tan Sri, Dato'-Seri-Dato'-Seri, Dato'-Dato'

Distinguished guests and delegates

Members of the media

Ladies and gentlemen

It is my privilege and honour to welcome you to our sixth edition of Invest Malaysia.

I would like to record my deep appreciation to Yang Amat Berhormat Dato' Sri Mohd Najib Bin Tun Abdul Razak, the Prime Minister, for gracing this momentous occasion and to deliver his Keynote Address. His presence here today is an attestation of the commitment and support Yang Amat Berhormat Dato' Sri has extended towards this flagship conference, since he first took office in 2009.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Bursa Malaysia's guiding objective in conceptualising Invest Malaysia six years ago was to provide a platform to showcase the gems of Malaysia's capital market to international fund managers and institutional investors. I am pleased to report, that today, Invest Malaysia has demonstrated its effectiveness in drawing investors' attention to what the Malaysian market has to offer. This conference has evolved to become an important event among institutional investors and industry stakeholders, as seen by the overwhelming response around us here today. It has also become the capital market's main announcement platform for industry changing policies.

This year's conference promises to take on even greater significance as for the first time, Invest Malaysia is bringing together the movers of the Country, Capital Markets and Direct Investments, both foreign and domestic, in one place as part of an unprecedented national effort for Malaysia's economic transformation as we march relentlessly towards Vision 2020.

Not content with just showcasing successful stories of Malaysian companies, this year, we have further enlarged the focus of Invest Malaysia to include the participation of the Malaysian Industrial Development Authority, MIDA. We must continue discussions on how both our capital market and the direct investment market will be able to complement each other's growth.

Ladies and gentlemen,

We are on the brink of an exciting future for Malaysia.

We are already seeing many of our Malaysian companies moving up the value chain towards, not just domestic leadership, but towards greater regional growth. Our theme this year, **Powering Global Excellence**, is not just relevant, it is timely.

What does this mean to us?

Malaysia has grown beyond its shores. We are seeing Malaysian companies spreading their wings and marking their presence throughout Asia, and the world. In fact, for the first time at Invest Malaysia, we are featuring regional operations from around Asia, names that you are familiar with such as CIMB Niaga, YTL/Power Seraya, Maybank BII and XL Axiata, to name a few. These are Malaysian companies which have ventured out of the country in search of greater opportunities. Also featured are companies which have demonstrated commendable progress, and they will share with you their development plans for growing their business forward.

Ladies and gentlemen,

Bursa Malaysia, together with the Securities Commission, Bank Negara Malaysia and other relevant authorities continue to work towards developing a capital market that is both dynamic and on par with global standards at the same time. We are well-poised to position ourselves as a business friendly destination, with a capital market that is appealing to both issuers and investors. Over the last few years, we have witnessed measures that have significantly enhanced Malaysia's position on the global investment map. The liberalisation measures of the financial sectors and foreign ownership, as well as the enhanced framework on fundraising, are some of the progressive steps that we have observed last year.

For a country that is determined to pursue strong economic advancement, we are confident we will see more of the right policy steps being undertaken to further enhance the appeal of our market.

Ladies and gentlemen,

The Malaysian growth story continues. As we engage our delegates by showcasing the best of what the Malaysian capital market has to offer, we hope you will explore these opportunities. With the economy displaying strong fundamentals and Malaysian listed companies demonstrating sound business models, we believe that this event will serve as a platform to draw all of you to invest here.

We also look forward to your participation as we transform our economy, make our capital market more open and our companies more attractive for sustainable investment, and strive towards an economy based on innovation, creativity and high value.

In conclusion, I would like to extend our sincere thanks to our partners, Maybank Investment Bank and Nomura Holdings, who collaborated with us at this year's event. Both organisations are at very significant junctures. Maybank is celebrating its 50th anniversary this year and Nomura is working to further seal its presence in Malaysia. I believe our partnership this year has given this initiative further mileage.

Thank you.