Malaysian Financial Market (February 2021)

Deep and Liquid MYR Bond Market

RM4.9bil **2020**

RM3.2 bil RM4.7 bil 2018 2019

- Average daily trading volume surged +53% since 2018
- Further consolidation of government bond issuances via reopening and bond switch [no. of outstanding MGS:- 2019: 42, 2020: 41, 2021E: 37]
- · Increased coverage to >75% MGS issuances available in BNM repo operations to facilitate 2-way market making by Principal Dealers
- · Improved interest rates hedging avenue via MGS Futures with physical delivery and IRS liberalisation

Active repo market facilitates market making in bond market

Average daily trading volume: +228% since 2018



Vibrant Liquidity in Onshore FX Market

USD11.5 bil USD12.2 bil

> 2018 2019 2020

- Average daily trading volume increased +2.2% since 2018
- Standardised cut-off time for funding of ringgit bond trades, eliminating prefunding requirement by custodians
- Graduation of Pilot AOOs to Primary Market Makers (PMM), improving liquidity of ringgit after Asian trading hours, leading to a total of USD3.3 billion in FX transactions after KL trading hours in 2020 while bid-ask spreads improved by an average of 15 pips. The 8 PMM includes:
- Bank of America
- CIMB
- HSBC
- Maybank

- BNP Paribas
- Deutsche
- JP Morgan
- Standard Chartered

USD11.7 bil

- Average daily trading volume facilitated by AOO increased by 56.0% since 2018.
- Currently, there are 163 AOOs from 21 banking group operating in 35 countries.
- Product coverage by AOO includes FX Spot, FX Forward, Malaysian government bonds and interest rate derivatives

Dynamic Hedging Programme

2018

84

2019

105



2020

Eliqible Assets (USD bil)

No. of Investors



30.4

37.5



45.6

- 43% of NR ringgit bond holdings are registered under Dynamic Hedging Programme
- · Global custodians and trust banks facilitate dynamic hedging on behalf of registered clients
- Granted additional long MYR forward (>25%) under dynamic hedging to investors who applied

Active Investor Engagement 1H 2021 Calendar of Events January 2021 February 2021 March 2021 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 26 27 18 MPC MPC 21 22 23 21 22 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 April 2021 26 FOMC FOMC 29 30 24 30 31 Planned Engagement(Tentative) Contact Information Public Holiday BNM Malaysia (Headquarters): +603 26982116 (sou@bnm.gov.my) BNM London Office: +44 207495022 (londonro@bnm.gov.my) GDP Release BNM New York Office: +1 2128889220 (nyro@bnm.gov.my) **BNM Annual Report**





