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Inaugural ASEAN Capital Market Conference 2017 to be Hosted by 10 Securities Regulators in the Region

ASEAN capital market regulators and leading industry experts will convene in Malaysia next week as the 10 regulators under the ASEAN Capital Markets Forum (ACMF) come together to host the inaugural ASEAN Capital Market Conference 2017 on November 8th in Kuala Lumpur.

Themed “Strengthening ASEAN Capital Market Connectivity”, the conference is a platform highlighting ACMF’s concerted efforts towards regional collaboration for an interconnected, inclusive and resilient ASEAN capital market for sustainable regional growth, as set forth in the ACMF Vision 2025.

The conference, which is a collaboration with Asian Development Bank, will feature networking sessions, panel discussions, and presentations by insightful speakers from both within and outside the ASEAN bloc, with a keynote address by the Chair of ACMF, Tan Sri Dato’ Seri Ranjit Ajit Singh, who is also the Chairman of Securities Commission Malaysia.

This regional conference will feature discussions on key capital market development areas, reflecting initiatives and the work streams by ACMF to further drive investments and business opportunities into the region. Past initiatives launched to drive this include the ACMF Market Development Programme, ASEAN Corporate Governance Scorecard, ASEAN Disclosure Standards and Streamlined Review Framework and the ASEAN Collective Investment Scheme Framework.

Panel discussions will showcase market specialists such as Asian Development Bank, International Capital Markets Association, Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank, BNP Paribas and Maybank Kim Eng deliberating on topics such as ASEAN’s infrastructure financing to meet accelerating demand, the current global and ASEAN green bond landscape, the changing market dynamics in the age of digitisation to facilitate more regional connectivity, as well as the importance of corporate governance practices in meeting capital market needs.

In driving the next phase of the regional integration agenda, the ACMF's Vision 2025 supports the ASEAN Economic Community's Vision to be highly integrated and cohesive; competitive, innovative and dynamic; with enhanced connectivity and sectoral cooperation; and a more resilient, inclusive, and people-oriented, people-centred community, integrated with the global economy.

For further information on ASEAN Capital Market Conference 2017 programme, please visit www.theacmf.org/ACMF/index.php

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Editors' notes:

- The ACMF is a grouping of the region's capital market regulators comprising all ASEAN member countries namely Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Lao PDR, Malaysia, Myanmar, the Philippines, Singapore, Thailand and Vietnam, and is currently chaired by the Securities Commission Malaysia
- The ASEAN Economic Community (AEC) was established in 2015 and is a major milestone in the regional economic integration agenda. ASEAN has a combined population of over 622 million people and in 2014, was collectively the third largest economy in Asia and the seventh largest in the world. More information on the ACMF and its initiatives can be found at the ACMF website www.theacmf.org.