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KENANGA INVESTORS GROUP EMBRACES STEWARDSHIP CODE

Kuala Lumpur, 5 January 2018: Kenanga Investors Group (Kenanga Investors Berhad and its subsidiary, Kenanga Islamic Investors Berhad) announced that it has officially become a signatory of the Malaysian Code for Institutional Investors (“the Code”).



Executive Director/Chief Executive Officer of Kenanga Investors, Mr. Ismitz Matthew De Alwis with Dato' Wan Kamaruzaman Wan Ahmad, Chairman of Institutional Investors Council Malaysia.

The Code was introduced in June 2014 by the Securities Commission Malaysia and Minority Shareholder Watchdog Group (MSWG) to ensure that institutional investors encouraged good governance and long-term sustainability of investee companies.

At the signing ceremony, Executive Director/ Chief Executive Officer, Ismitz Matthew De Alwis explained that the fund house's commitment to this, stemmed from its firm belief in long-term value accretive investments through the continuous promotion of responsible and sustainable practices within its investment management.

“We are aware that due to our role as a recognised investment manager within the industry, we have a responsibility to influence our investee companies through stewardship activities which will eventually positively impact industry and societal stakeholders through good corporate governance,” said De Alwis.

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As the fund house looks towards diversifying its strategies to include more institutional and mass retail clients through multiple distribution channels, De Alwis believes that the Code is more significant than ever at this juncture in order to deliver results that have been derived through sustainable means.

Also in attendance was the Chairman of the Institutional Investor Council, Dato' Wan Kamaruzaman Wan Ahmad. He said, "We are pleased that Kenanga Investors Group has come on-board as a signatory to the Code. It reflects a significant commitment by the investment management company in upholding a methodical stewardship approach on behalf of its investors.

"The Institutional Investor Council Malaysia is hopeful that this will subsequently lead to more asset owners and managers in Malaysia to take a similar step in this direction as signatories."

Datuk Chay Wai Leong, Group Managing Director of Kenanga Investment Bank Berhad added, "Kenanga Group as a whole has always been a strong advocate of corporate transparency and good governance practices. Following this, we foresee that the adoption of the Code will serve to strengthen confidence in our investment management capabilities amongst stakeholders such as investors, regulators and the public."

The fund house has already started its efforts in upholding the Code, beginning with identifying investee companies with sustainability practices, taking an active ownership approach in monitoring and engaging investee companies in its efforts to promote a strong sense of stewardship, both internally and externally.

For more information about Kenanga Investors Berhad, please visit www.kenangainvestors.com.my.

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About Kenanga Investors Berhad (353563-P)

Kenanga Investors Berhad ("KIB") is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Kenanga Investment Bank Berhad, the largest independent investment bank by equity trading value and volume[#]. KIB is licensed to perform regulated activities of fund management dealing in securities (restricted to unit trust), investment advice and dealing in Private Retirement Scheme ("PRS") under the Capital Markets and Services Act ("CMSA") 2007. KIB provides investment solutions ranging from collective investment schemes, portfolio management services as well as segregated private mandates and alternative investments for retail, corporate and institutional clients.

KIB prides itself on its reputation for its consistent top performing funds. KIB was voted Investors' Choice – Fund House of the Year at the Fundsupermarket.com's Recommended Unit Trusts Awards 2017/2018. Kenanga Growth Fund ("KGF") was recognised under the Core Equity – Malaysia category. This is the eight consecutive year KGF has been accorded this honour. Meanwhile, Kenanga OnePRS Growth Fund and Kenanga OnePRS Conservative Fund were recognised under the Private Retirement Scheme – Growth and Private Retirement Scheme – Conservative categories respectively. KGF also received Institutional Investor's 2016 Asia Investment Management Award under the Malaysia Equity Fund category for 3 & 10 year performance. As a fund house, KIB was awarded by the Hong Kong-based Asia Asset Management's 2016 Best of the Best Awards in the Malaysia Best Institutional House category. Its Chief Investment Officer Ms Lee Sook Yee was named the 2016 Malaysia CIO of the Year (2nd consecutive year) while its Chief Executive Officer Mr Ismitz Matthew De Alwis was named the 2016 Malaysia CEO of the Year. KIB received the Best Equity Group (Islamic) award by The Edge Thomson Reuters Lipper Awards 2017.

KIB was assigned an investment manager rating of IMR-2 by Malaysian Rating Corporation Berhad. The rating reflects KIB's well-established investment process, strong risk management practice and operating track record.

[#] year to date, based on Bursa Malaysia's Participating Organisations (POs) Trading Summary.

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About Kenanga Islamic Investors Berhad (451957-D)

KIIB is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Kenanga Investors Berhad. In line with the Kenanga Investors Group business plans for an Islamic fund management arm, KIIB applied for and received its Islamic fund management licence from the Securities Commission in April 2012. The company is licensed to perform regulated activities of fund management under the CMSA.

KIIB focused on exclusively providing Shariah-compliant investment products to both domestic and regional markets. The company provides Islamic investment solutions in portfolio management services and is currently the appointed external fund manager for Kenanga Investors' designated Islamic mandates. KIIB was assigned an investment manager rating of IMR-2 by Malaysian Rating Corporation Berhad. The rating reflects KIIB's well-established investment management process, underpinned by its prudent risk management practice.

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Kenanga Investors Group Signs Institutional Investors Code

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KUALA LUMPUR, Jan 9 (Bernama) -- Kenanga Investors Bhd and its unit, Kenanga Islamic Investors Bhd, (Kenanga Investors Group) today announced they had officially become a signatory of the Malaysian Code for Institutional Investors (the code).

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KUALA LUMPUR, 9 Jan (Bernama) -- Kenanga Investors Bhd dan unitnya, Kenanga Islamic Investors Bhd, (Kenanga Investors Group) hari ini mengumumkan ia secara rasminya menjadi penandatangan Kod Malaysia bagi Pelabur-pelabur Institusi (kod).

Pengarah Eksekutif/Ketua Pegawai Eksekutif Kenanga Investors Bhd, Ismitz Matthew de Alwis, berkata komitmen institusi dana itu terhadap kod berkenaan berdasarkan keyakinan ke atas nilai pelaburan jangka panjang menerusi promosi berterusan mengenai amalan tanggungjawab dan keselamatan dalam pengurusan pelaburan.

"Kami menyedari mengenai tanggungjawab kami sebagai pengurus pelaburan yang diperakui dalam industri, dan justeru bertanggungjawab untuk mempengaruhi syarikat pelabur melaksanakan aktiviti yang memberi kesan positif ke atas industri dan pemegang kepentingan menerusi tadbir urus korporat yang baik," kata de Alwis.

Kod itu diperkenalkan pada Jun 2014 oleh Suruhanjaya Sekuriti Malaysia dan Kumpulan Pemantau Pemegang Saham Minoriti bagi memastikan pelabur institusi mengamalkan tadbir urus yang dan keselamatan jangka panjang syarikat pelabur.

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From left: Kenanga Investors Bhd executive director and CEO Ismitz Matthew De Alwis, Institutional Investors Council Malaysia chairman Datuk Wan Kamaruzaman Wan Ahmad, Kenanga Investment Bank Bhd chairman Izlan Izhah, founder and adviser Tan Sri Tengku Noor Zakiah Tengku Ismail, group managing director Datuk Chay Wai Leon, Kenanga Investment Bank executive director and head of group investment banking and Islamic banking Datuk Roslan Tik and Institutional Investors Council Malaysia secretary Lya Rahman at a ceremony marking Kenanga Investors Group (Kenanga Investors Bhd and subsidiary Kenanga Islamic Investors Bhd) as signatory of the Malaysian Code for Institutional Investors last Friday.



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Focus Malaysia (13 January 2018)



The Star (6 January 2018)



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The Edge Financial Daily (8 January 2018)



KENANGA SIGNS THE CODE ... (From left) Kenanga Investors Bhd executive director and chief executive officer Ismitz Matthew De Alwis, Institutional Investors Council, Malaysia chairman Datuk Wan Kamaruzaman Wan Ahmad, with Kenanga Investment Bank Bhd chairman Islan Izzah, its founder and adviser Tengku Tan Sri Noor Zakiah Tengku Ismail, group managing director Datuk Chay Wai Leong, executive director and head of group investment banking and Islamic banking Datuk Roslan Tik, and Institutional Investors Council, Malaysia Lya Rahman posing after Kenanga Investors Group (Kenanga Investors and its subsidiary Kenanga Islamic Investors Bhd) officially became a signatory of the Malaysian Code for Institutional Investors (The Code) in Kuala Lumpur on Jan 5.

