

ASEAN EXCHANGES FIRM UP LAUNCH OF ASEAN TRADING LINK AND FORMALISE AGREEMENT TO ENHANCE MARKET AWARENESS

Singapore, 27 April 2012 - The CEOs of the ASEAN Exchanges, together in Singapore for the 16th ASEAN Exchanges CEOs meeting, today announced the ASEAN Trading Link is on track for a June 2012 launch. Bursa Malaysia and Singapore Exchange will be connected first with the Stock Exchange of Thailand added in August 2012.

Speaking on behalf of the ASEAN Exchanges, Magnus Bocker, Chief Executive Officer, Singapore Exchange said, “The collaborative decision of the member Exchanges to roll out the ASEAN Trading Link will mark our first key milestone towards breaking down the barriers to cross border trade in ASEAN.”

“Through the trading link, investors in ASEAN will enjoy a new ease of access to a wider investment selection as well as tap the region’s growth opportunities. The three bourses that will participate in the first stage of the ASEAN Trading Link represent approximately two-thirds of the USD2.1 trillion market capitalisation of the seven members of the ASEAN Exchanges,” continued Mr. Bocker.

Dato’ Tajuddin Atan, Chief Executive Officer, Bursa Malaysia, said, “This is indeed an affirmative step towards an integrated ASEAN capital market. Bringing down the trade barriers will certainly provide more opportunities for our market players especially our multinational public listed companies who are actively expanding their operations throughout ASEAN.”

At the said meeting, the ASEAN Exchanges also formalised an agreement with FTSE to provide a range of ASEAN market data and analytics.

“ASEAN is an exciting capital market and investors need to be able to make informed decisions in a timely manner. The range of ASEAN analytics from FTSE will further enable more informed decisions about ASEAN investments which will help drive greater liquidity into our markets,” said Mr. Bocker.

ASEAN Exchanges is in further talks with other world-class partners to help position ASEAN as a highly investable asset class.

“The developments announced today clearly reflect the strong collaboration amongst members of the ASEAN Exchanges to deliver on our plans to promote the growth of the ASEAN capital market by bringing more ASEAN investment opportunities to more people,” Mr. Bocker said.

The 16th ASEAN Exchanges CEOs Meeting saw the participation of all collaboration member Exchanges as represented by Dato’ Tajuddin Atan, CEO of Bursa Malaysia, Tra Le Hai, Senior Deputy CEO of Hochiminh Stock Exchange, Nguyen Vu Quang Trung, Deputy CEO of Hanoi Stock Exchange, Ito Warsito, President Director of Indonesia Stock Exchange, Rachele Blanch, Vice President & Head, Market Operations of The Philippine Stock Exchange, Magnus Bocker, CEO of Singapore Exchange, and Charamporn Jotikasthira, President of the Stock Exchange of Thailand.

ABOUT ASEAN Exchanges

ASEAN Exchanges is a collaboration of seven exchanges from Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore, Thailand and Vietnam. The collaboration aims to promote the growth of the ASEAN capital market by driving cross-border collaboration, streamlining access to ASEAN, creating ASEAN centric products and implementing targeted promotional initiatives.

The ASEAN Exchanges collaboration CEOs comprise Tajuddin Atan of Bursa Malaysia, Dr. Tran Dac Sinh of Hochiminh Stock Exchange, Tran Van Dzung of Hanoi Stock Exchange, Ito Warsito of Indonesia Stock Exchange, Hans B. Sicat of The Philippine Stock Exchange, Magnus Bocker of Singapore Exchange, and Charamporn Jotikasthira of the Stock Exchange of Thailand.

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