



**Press Release**

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## **AmInvest Takes Top Country's Honours as Malaysia's Best Pension Fund Manager**

AmInvest has been honoured as Malaysia's Best Pension Fund Manager by Asia Asset Management at its 2019 Best of the Best Awards ("**Awards**").<sup>1</sup> Held annually for the past 15 years, the Awards recognise the most outstanding players in the funds management business in Asia.<sup>1</sup> AmInvest was the recipient of this award for four consecutive years from 2013 to 2016.<sup>2</sup>

Asia Asset Management had assessed AmInvest over three-year and five-year periods on how it has managed its domestic pension mandates and Private Retirement Scheme ("**AmPRS**") funds, the size of these mandates and returns against relevant benchmarks, as well as investor education initiatives undertaken.<sup>1</sup>

"Our ability to understand and anticipate the ever-changing market environment has given us the foresight to develop retirement solutions as well as a robust investment process to deliver consistent positive returns over the long term," said Goh Wee Peng, Chief Executive Officer of AmInvest.

The growth of AmInvest's pension business has been on an upward trajectory throughout the years. Over the past five years, AmInvest's pension mandates and AmPRS funds' assets under management recorded a 26% growth or around MYR2.75 billion.

AmInvest, the funds management arm of AmInvestment Bank also offers one of the most diverse range of private retirement funds in the market comprising 10 AmPRS funds across various asset classes and geographical exposure, in both the

conventional and Shariah-compliant spaces.<sup>3</sup> These funds differ in terms of expected returns and risks for selection according to respective retirement needs, goals and risk tolerance. AmInvest is the only Private Retirement Scheme (“**PRS**”) provider in the country to offer unique PRS non-core fund offerings, namely a real estate Asia Pacific fund called AmPRS-Asia Pacific REITs and two bond funds, AmPRS-Tactical Bond and AmPRS-Dynamic# Sukuk.<sup>4</sup>

“We are honoured to receive this acknowledgement as it is truly a testament of our team’s unwavering commitment to performance excellence, and the affirmation and trust of our clients and investors in our capabilities to manage their pension and retirement investments,” said Dato' Sulaiman Mohd Tahir, Group Chief Executive Officer, AmBank Group.

AmInvest claimed the top three spots for the best performing PRS funds over a one-year performance period as at 19<sup>th</sup> April 2019. AmPRS – Asia Pacific REITs ranked first with a total return (a measure of the fund’s performance comprising income distribution and capital gains) of around 16%.<sup>5</sup> AmPRS-Tactical Bond took the second spot with a total return of about 6.9%, whereas AmPRS – Dynamic# Sukuk came in third with a total return of around 6.8%.<sup>5</sup>

Asia Asset Management is a publication based in Hong Kong which provides news on the Asian asset management industry.<sup>1</sup>

#### **About AmInvest**

AmInvest is the brand for the funds management business of AmFunds Management Berhad and AmIslamic Funds Management Sdn Bhd, both of which are wholly-owned subsidiaries of AmInvestment Bank Berhad. AmInvest is a multiple award-winning funds management house based in Malaysia with 38 years of investing experience. It manages unit trust funds, wholesale funds, institutional mandates, Exchange Traded Funds (ETF) and Private Retirement Scheme (PRS) funds, encompassing both conventional and Shariah-compliant funds.

#### **Sources & Notes:**

#The word “Dynamic” refers to the Target Fund’s (AmDynamic# Sukuk) investment strategy which is active management, not a buy-and-hold strategy.

<sup>1</sup> Asia Asset Management 2019 Best of the Best Awards, based on information extracted from [www.asiaasset.com](http://www.asiaasset.com) as at 16<sup>th</sup> January 2019.

<sup>2</sup> Asia Asset Management’s 2013, 2014, 2015 and 2016 Best of the Best Awards.

<sup>3</sup> Based on data compiled by Lipper, Refinitiv on the list of PRS funds in Malaysia as at 19<sup>th</sup> April 2019.

<sup>4</sup> Based on data compiled by Lipper, Refinitiv under the Pension Funds category (according to Lipper Global Classification) as at 19<sup>th</sup> April 2019 for the following funds: AmPRS–Asia Pacific REITs D (Equity Sector Real Estate Asia Pacific), AmPRS–Dynamic# Sukuk D (Bond MYR) and AmPRS–Tactical Bond D (Bond Asia Pacific LC).

<sup>5</sup> Based on data compiled by Lipper, Refinitiv under the Pension Funds category (according to Lipper Global Classification) in Malaysia for the fund’s one-year total return as at 19<sup>th</sup> April 2019. Primary funds are to be used by default in performance statistics to prevent double counting and ranking anomalies. Performance is shown in Malaysian Ringgit on a Net Asset Value (NAV) price basis with income distribution reinvested. Performance figures are calculated net of all fees, charges and expenses, except entry charge and exit penalty (if any). Past performance is not indicative of future performance.

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