

press release

Standard Chartered hosts 2017 Market Outlook Seminar in Bandar and KB

21 January 2017, Bandar Seri Begawan – Standard Chartered Bank held two market outlook seminars for their Brunei-Muara clientele, as well as their clients in Kuala Belait. Entitled '#Pivot?', the market outlook seminars were held on Thursday and Friday at the Indera Samudra Ballroom, Empire Hotel, BSB and the V-Plaza Grandballroom, V-Plaza Hotel, Kuala Belait respectively.

On hand to welcome guests was Brenda Low, CEO Standard Chartered Securities. In her welcoming remarks she noted:

"Standard Chartered has been in the forefront of the wealth management space offering solutions that actually work for our clients. Not only do we have the breadth of products to cater to our client's financial needs, we also have the advisory services that are crucial to helping our clients make informed decisions over their portfolios.

The launch of Standard Chartered Securities substantiates the fact that Brunei continues to be an important market for us where we continue to invest in and believe that there is further room for growth. We remain committed to Brunei and optimistic of the growth prospect for our Brunei franchise. We are here to stay and here for good. Standard Chartered has a long established history in Brunei with deep local knowledge and we will continue to seek opportunities for growth and investment especially in the areas of Wealth Management, Retail and Corporate & Institutional Banking."

During the programme, Quan Lim, Senior Investment Counsellor at Standard Chartered Bank gave his insights on the market outlook for the near to mid-term outlook. The keynote speaker for the seminar was Edmund Leong, who is the Assistant Vice President (AVP), Financial Institutions, is responsible for developing business networks with third party fund distributors such as consumer banks, private banks, Independent Financial Advisors (IFA) and insurance channels locally and overseas. He joined Franklin Templeton's sales distribution team in 2008 and was a Senior Treasury Analyst prior to moving to his current role.

For more information on Standard Chartered's Wealth Management approach, please visit <u>www.sc.com/bn</u> or call the bank's 24-hour Contact Centre hotline 2658000.

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Note to Editors:

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Standard Chartered employs more than 300 employees in its Brunei operations.

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