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CIMB, S P SETIA AND KOSSAN RUBBER EMERGE WINNERS AT THE FIRST MALAYSIA INVESTOR RELATIONS AWARDS

*The Inaugural Malaysia Investor Relations Award 2011 Promotes Good IR practices
among Malaysian PLCs*

KUALA LUMPUR, 26 MAY 2011 – CIMB Group Berhad, S P Setia Berhad and Kossan Rubber Industries Berhad were winners in the “Best Company for Investor Relations” category for Large-cap, Mid-cap and Small-cap companies respectively at the inaugural Malaysia Investor Relations Awards 2011, held today.

The three bagged the top awards from a total of 16 awards for six main categories polled according to market capitalisation. The categories included “**Best Company for Investor Relations Award**”, “**Best Investor Relations for an IPO Company 2010 Award**”, “**Best CEO for Investor Relations Award**”, “**Best CFO for Investor Relations Award**”, “**Best Investor Relations Professional Award**” and “**Best Investor Relations Website Award**”.

Audrey Ho, Chairperson of Malaysian Investor Relations Association (“MIRA”) said, “With the increasing number of companies going for listings on Bursa Malaysia, it was deemed necessary to initiate and conduct an investor relations survey, to evaluate the standing of Investor Relations, or in short IR amongst the listed companies, and to set the standards for good IR practices.”

“We hope this Awards Ceremony will help to set the benchmark for the effectiveness and excellence of IR practices. In addition, the IR award is also part of MIRA’s mission to promote corporate governance, transparency and enhance shareholder value for all companies,” she said.

Ho said, “The awards will not only recognise and acknowledge the best IR practices among listed companies, but will indirectly promote and highlight exemplary practices for others to emulate. It is also a way to honour corporations that embrace the spirit of good corporate governance practices by promoting greater transparency, timely, fair and ongoing disclosure.”

The MIRA IR Awards was organised by MIRA, with the support of Bursa Malaysia Berhad and Esente Communications (M) Sdn. Bhd. In accordance with its mission and objectives to promote and advance good IR practices, MIRA engaged Thomson Reuters Extel Surveys to commission the first IR survey,

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whereby over 700 international Fund Managers and research analysts were invited to participate in the poll.

The MIRA IR Awards Ceremony was graced by Yang Amat Berbahagia Tun Mohamed Dzaiddin Haji Abdullah, Chairman of Bursa Malaysia Berhad; Yang Berbahagia Tan Sri Zarinah Anwar, Chairman of Securities Commission Malaysia; and Yang Berbahagia Dato' Tajuddin Atan, Chief Executive Officer of Bursa Malaysia Berhad.

The big winners of the day were CIMB Group and AirAsia. CIMB Group bagged four awards under the Large Cap category for “**Best Company for Investor Relations**”, Dato' Sri Nazir Razak for “**Best CEO for IR**”, Mr. Steven Tan Chek Chye for “**Best IR Professional**” and “**Best IR Website**”. AirAsia topped the Mid Cap category by bringing home the awards for “Best CEO for IR”, “Best IR Professional” and “Best IR Website”.

The lists of winners are stated below:

BEST COMPANY FOR INVESTOR RELATIONS

Large Cap : CIMB Group Holdings Berhad
Mid Cap : S P Setia Berhad
Small Cap : Kossan Rubber Industries Berhad

BEST INVESTOR RELATIONS FOR AN IPO COMPANY 2010 (JOINT-WINNERS)

Malaysia Marine and Heavy Engineering Holdings Berhad & PETRONAS Chemicals Group Berhad

BEST CEO FOR INVESTOR RELATIONS

Large Cap : Dato' Sri Nazir Razak, CIMB Group Holdings Berhad
Mid Cap : Dato' Sri Dr. Tony Fernandes, AirAsia Berhad
Small Cap : Lim Chai Beng, CB Industrial Product Holding Berhad

BEST CFO FOR INVESTOR RELATIONS

Large Cap : Ashok Ramamurthy, AMMB Holdings Berhad
Mid Cap : Lim Cheong Guan, Top Glove Corporation Berhad
Small Cap : Mohamed Azman Shah Ishak, TH Plantations Berhad

BEST INVESTOR RELATIONS PROFESSIONAL

Large Cap : Steven Tan Chek Chye, CIMB Group Holdings Berhad
Mid Cap : Benyamin Ismail, AirAsia Berhad

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Small Cap : Edward Yip, Kossan Rubber Industries Berhad

BEST INVESTOR RELATIONS WEBSITE

Large Cap : CIMB Group Holdings Berhad

Mid Cap : AirAsia Berhad

Small Cap : Evergreen Fibreboard Berhad

About Malaysian Investor Relations Association (MIRA)

Sponsored by Bursa Malaysia and funded by the Capital Market Development Fund (“CMDf”), MIRA is Malaysia’s first and only professional association established with a commitment to develop and advance the status and integrity of IR Professionals and the proficiency of its members in the field of IR. It is the only professional association that promotes the views of IR and Malaysian IR Professionals among the PLCs, to the investment community, regulatory bodies and government. MIRA was established in 2007 and its membership comprises public-listed companies, investment banks, brokerages and intermediaries as well as IR service providers. MIRA offers, under the sponsorship of Bursa Malaysia, an IR Incentive Program, fully subsidised by CMDf, that helps public-listed companies set up their internal IR program and get better exposure through IR. MIRA also offers Certificates in IR examinations, in association with the Investor Relations Society of the United Kingdom, for professional qualification of IR practitioners in Malaysia. For more information, log on to www.mira.com.my.

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