

**Manulife Malaysia Once Again Awarded the HR Asia Best Companies to Work for in Asia 2016**

**Kuala Lumpur** – Manulife Malaysia once again creates a buzz as we stand among the top players in the business industry as one of the Best Companies to work for in Asia, 2016. This stamps yet another benchmark on our drive to achieve greater milestone in the history of employment growth and development. We are proud to be one out of 45 Best Companies to work for in Asia.

HR Asia Best Companies to Work for in Asia was organized by the Business Media International and recognizes companies for its best practices that helps set the standards and raising the bar for employee engagement and workplace excellence in Asia. Although the program is very much Asia-centric, the review's parameters are scaled against the best, globally, making it one of the toughest, most measurable survey and awards in the region.

On the achievement of Manulife Malaysia, Mark O'Dell, Chief Executive Officer remarked, "Employee engagement is the key driver for development and growth of any organization. Having said that, providing workplace excellence in the way the organization is structured and the way it is operated is equally crucial in creating a platform that will engage employees. We are proud to have been awarded the Best Companies to Work for in Asia for two consecutive years and hope that we continue putting these two fundamental elements into practice in years to come for even greater success."

Karen Yap, Chief HR Officer commented, "We are proud to have been one of the 45 recipients out of 280 companies that enrolled for this award. We, at Manulife Malaysia uphold to the belief that employee engagement and workplace excellence plays a huge role in the development of each individual in the system, consequently the growth of the organization as a whole. This is the key attribute that inculcates positive work culture essential in the creation of a company's milestones."

The award ceremony also recognizes the success of some of our major business counterparts such as AmBank Group, Arvato Systems Malaysia Sdn. Bhd., Bank Kerjasama Rakyat Malaysia Berhad, Berjaya Starbucks Coffee Company Sdn. Bhd., Coca-cola Bottlers (Malaysia) Sdn. Bhd., Credit Guarantee Corporation Malaysia Berhad, Employees Provident Fund, Great Eastern Life Assurance (Malaysia) Berhad, Malaysia Building Society Berhad, RHB Banking Group, Texas Instruments Electronics Malaysia Sdn. Bhd., Top Glove Sdn. Bhd. and Unilever Malaysia to name a few.

The award ceremony was held at the Palace of the Golden Horses on the 28 October 2016.

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