

# WHAT'S INSIDE



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# 2019 LIFE INSURANCE INDUSTRY'S HIGHLIGHTS

**INCREASED BY** 



**NEW BUSINESS -TOTAL PREMIUMS** 

RM11.8 billion

2019

RM10.3 billion

2018

**INCREASED BY** 

**NEW BUSINESS -NUMBER OF POLICIES** 

1.31 million

1.24 million



**INCREASED BY** 

6.91%

**NEW BUSINESS -SUM ASSURED** 

RM483.3 billion 2019

RM452.1 billion 2018

**INCREASED BY** 



**IN FORCE PREMIUMS** 

RM36.9 billion

RM34.4 billion

**INCREASED BY** 



NUMBER OF POLICIES IN **FORCE** 

12.74 million

12.67 million



**INCREASED BY** 

**SUM ASSURED IN FORCE** 

RM1.63 trillion

RM1.51 trillion

**CLAIMS PAYOUT** 

RM11.9 billion

2019

RM10.8 billion 2018

**INCREASED BY** 

10.19%



**NUMBER OF AGENTS** 

75,999

75,707

**NUMBER OF BANK STAFF SELLING LIFE INSURANCE** 

**17.809** 

17,002



**NUMBER OF AGENTS BY GENDER 2019** 

37,863 Male



38,136

Female



**NUMBER OF AGENTS BY EDUCATION LEVEL 2019** 



Primary 164



A+) The MCE/SPM

39,520





32,316



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On behalf of the LIAM Management Committee, it gives me great pleasure to present the Annual Report for Life Insurance Association of Malaysia (LIAM) for 2019.

The past 12 months have been a fulfilling and interesting year for LIAM as we continue to engage proactively with our 16 member companies and

key stakeholders to serve the needs of the society.

Many achievements, initiatives and positive developments took place during the year and we hope it will bring a lasting and positive impact to the industry, as well as fulfil our aspirations to develop a progressive industry for the nation.

I am pleased to share the key industry highlights and developments that had taken place during the year.

#### INDUSTRY'S PERFORMANCE

The Life Insurance Association of Malaysia (LIAM) continued to record an encouraging growth in 2019, registering New Business Total Premiums of RM11.8 billion, an increase of 14.19% compared to RM10.3 billion in 2018. Traditional business, investment-linked and Group business recorded strong growth at 30.12%, 11.05% and 10.79% respectively.

The healthy performance of the life insurance industry reflects the increase in awareness among consumers on the importance of life insurance protection.

New policies issued in 2019 recorded an increase of 6.22% from 1,238,249 policies in 2018 to 1,315,233 policies in 2019. Investment-linked policies continued to be a popular product in 2019.

The total in force premiums rose by 7.39% to reach RM37 billion from RM34.4 billion in 2018. The growth was mainly contributed by Investment-Linked Business and Employee Benefit Scheme under Group business.

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The total number of policies registered for the whole industry rose marginally at 0.60% from 12.67 million policies in 2018 to 12.74 million policies in 2019.

The total sum assured in force increased to over RM 1.63 trillion, an increase of 7.83% as compared to RM1.51 trillion in 2018.

The total claims payout in 2019 increased by 10.19% to RM11.9 billion as compared with RM10.8 billion in 2018. This was mainly due to the rise in medical claims which recorded an increase of 20.8%.

# STREAMLINING OF AGENTS' ROLE THROUGH THE LIFE FRAMEWORK

Since the implementation of the Life Insurance and Family Takaful Framework (LIFE Framework) by Bank Negara Malaysia in November 2015, various key initiatives have been implemented to support the long-term growth and development of the life insurance and family takaful industry.

To provide greater operational flexibility for insurers and takaful operators and to promote a competitive environment for product innovation, the limits on management expenses have been lifted. Commission limits for pure protection products offered through direct distribution channels have also been removed. Furthermore, limits on commission and Agency Related Expenses for Investment-linked (IL) products have also been removed with the introduction of Minimum Allocation Rate. With this liberalisation, companies are now able to set their own commission level for their agency force.

Direct distribution channels have been introduced since 2017 to make it easier and hassle-free for consumers to purchase life insurance. Consumers can now purchase basic pure protection Term, Critical Illness and Medical and Health products via online platform or walk-in to branches of life insurance companies.

To further strengthen market practice and enhance consumers' protection, the Balanced Scorecard (BSC) for agents has been implemented in January 2018. This will promote greater professionalism among the agency force. During the year, the industry has been actively involved in various discussions and consultations with the

National Association of Malaysian Life Insurance and Family Takaful Advisors (NAMLIFA) to strengthen the effectiveness of BSC for agents.

BNM has issued an update to the Policy Document on Operating Cost Controls for Life Insurance and Family Takaful Business in December 2019. The BSC Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) for agents have been revised for implementation in 2020. Moving forward, the KPIs to measure agents' BSC performance will be based on the quality of customer fact-finding and needs analysis. Agents will also be assessed by their persistency and competency.

Among the main requirements include:

- i. the introduction of minimum standards on sustainability tests and communication to policyholders to ensure proper management of long term sustainability of IL policies with effect from 1 January 2020;
- ii. the introduction of Minimum Allocation Rate (MAR) to protect the account value of policy owners with effect from July 2019 in tandem with the liberalisation of commission;
- iii. enhancements to the formatting of sales illustrations to make them clearer and therefore facilitate more informed decision making by consumers.



Loh Guat Lan speaking at the 23<sup>rd</sup> National Chinese Life Insurance Congress held on 14<sup>th</sup> April 2019

As an industry, LIAM is supportive of the new regulatory requirements which place greater focus on sustainability of the customers' policies. It also provides them with better clarity so that policy owners understand the process as well as their IL policies and thus are able to make more informed choices.

All in all, we are positive about the changes as these are important steps in regulating the industry. These steps will also promote and maintain high corporate governance and enhance professionalism in the administration of IL business. Together, they will be a key driver of growth for the industry.

With the implementation of the new BSC KPIs, the industry is set to work very closely with the agency force and step up efforts to improve the quality of advice. This close collaboration will also ensure good customer relationship and outcomes.

# INTRODUCTION OF NEW REQUIREMENTS FOR INVESTMENT-LINKED BUSINESS

One of the key guidelines introduced by Bank Negara Malaysia (BNM) during the year was on Investment-linked (IL) business which outlines a comprehensive set of requirements to ensure that the rapid growth of IL business is supported by a clear and transparent framework to protect policyholders.

# REACHING OUT TO CONSUMERS THROUGH ONGOING CONSUMER EDUCATION

One of the key strategies we employed to raise the levels of financial literacy among Malaysians was to reach out to our consumers via the ongoing Consumer Education Programme.

In line with the industry's financial inclusion agenda, LIAM is committed to fulfilling the nation's aspiration of increasing the life insurance penetration rate from 54% to 75%. We aim to achieve this through various key initiatives and educational efforts.

In July 2019, the then Prime Minister of Malaysia Y.A.B Tun Dr Mahathir Mohammad launched the National Strategy for Financial Literacy 2019 - 2023, a five-year plan to elevate the level of financial literacy among Malaysians. This strategy maps out the priorities and action plans to help individuals manage their finances wisely, invest for their future and protect themselves from financial frauds.

As a stakeholder, the life insurance industry has also outlined various public education and awareness initiatives in an effort to improve financial literacy and financial well-being of Malaysians.

In June 2019, following the implementation of the Policy Document on Investment-Linked Plans issued by BNM in January 2019, LIAM and the Malaysian Takaful Association (MTA) embarked on a campaign to educate and generate greater awareness on IL Insurance and Takaful plans among consumers.

# MANAGING RISING HEALTHCARE COSTS AND ENHANCING CONSUMER AWARENESS ON MEDICAL AND HEALTH INSURANCE

In 2019, Malaysia was ranked among the highest in the Asian region with 13.1% increase in medical costs, according to the Willis Towers Watson's 2019 Global Medical Trends Survey Report.



Addressing members of the media at the Media Luncheon held on 6th December 2019

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This has brought a tremendous challenge to the industry, which has an important role to play in ensuring more sustainable medical products are made available to Malaysians at affordable rates. The rising medical costs, if left unchecked, will impact consumers' affordability to obtain Medical and Health Insurance (MHI) coverage.

To address this issue, LIAM, PIAM and MTA have formed a Medical Cost Containment Task Force together with

BNM. One of the initiatives carried out is an independent Study on the Key Drivers of Increasing Medical Insurance Premiums in Malaysia.

Together with BNM, the industry will deliberate the key findings of the healthcare study to chart a plan moving forward.

# UNDERSTANDING THE NEEDS OF THE LOWER AND MIDDLE INCOME COMMUNITY

For the past two years, the industry has been undertaking various initiatives to promote affordable protection plans under the Perlindungan Tenang — Mampu & Mudah initiative, which targets Malaysians particularly the lowerand middle-income community.

Other than engagement programmes and promotional activities undertaken by the six life insurance companies which market Perlindungan Tenang products, LIAM and its members also participated in five Karnival Kewangan organised by BNM. They were held in Miri, Kuala Terengganu, Melaka, Perlis and Sandakan. Through the Karnival Kewangan, the industry had the opportunity to engage closely with the local community and generate greater awareness on Perlindungan Tenang protection plans.

On 23 August 2019, BNM had a meeting with representatives from insurance companies and takaful operators that offer Perlindungan Tenang products. The objective was to gather the industry's views on their experience of offering these products. Some of the topics around products include regulatory barriers, distribution challenges, training requirements for personnel selling the products, etc.

Generally, the industry noted that it needed in-depth information on the insurance needs of the lower-and middle-income community to enable the industry to improve the business model of the existing products.

### **ENHANCEMENT OF LIAM'S ROLE TO** SUPPORT NATION BUILDING

During the year, LIAM has engaged in extensive consultations with all its 16 member companies, regulators and key stakeholders to identify priorities and areas of focus in our bid to strengthen the existing frameworks. LIAM also engaged in brainstorming sessions to work towards improving the quality of life of Malaysians.

For the past one year, the LIAM Secretariat has been led by a full time Chief Executive Officer, Mark O'Dell, who works very closely with the LIAM Management Committee to map out strategic plans to support the growth and transformation of the industry.

LIAM started the year on a high note with a Strategic Planning Meeting for captains of the industry, CEOs and senior management of LIAM member companies on 26 January 2019 at the Majestic Hotel Kuala Lumpur.

The Committee reviewed the on-going LIAM activities and firmed up plans and strategies for the year ahead. They also addressed the challenges facing the industry.

The industry has formulated a 3-year strategy focusing on four pillars namely Advocacy, Public Education and Awareness, Industry Support and Industry Development to further transform the industry.

### INDUSTRY'S SOLIDARITY AND **COLLECTIVE RESPONSE TO COVID-19 OUTBREAK**

I am proud to announce that subsequent to the year end, on 31 January 2020, LIAM member Companies have come together in solidarity to support the industry's initiative in addressing the worldwide outbreak of the Coronavirus Disease or COVID-19.

In a press statement issued by LIAM, the industry has demonstrated leadership in addressing the COVID-19

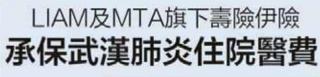


# coronavirus coverage

KUALA LUMPUR: All life immrance and takaful operators will provide bospitalisation coverage and treatment due to

announced in a joint statement yestersay by the Life insurance Association of Malaysia (LIAM) and Malaysian Takahil





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### 大馬壽險公會成員名單

- 1 AIA Bhd.
- 亚人寿保险公会 2 Allianz Life Insurance Malaysia Berhad
- (LIAM) 以及 3 AmMetLife Insurance Berhad
- 马来西亚清真保 4 AXA AFFIN Life Insurance Berhad
  - 5 Etiga Life Insurance Berhad

# Insurans, takaful lindungi rawatan coronavirus

31 syarikat sedia perlindungan penyakit berjangkit

Senarai abli LIAM

- ALA Blot
   Alisac Life Insurance Malaysia Blot
   Anote Life Insurance Blot
   Anote Life Insurance Blot
   Alisac Life Insurance Blot
   Bliqu Life Insurance Blot
   Gibrather BSN Life Blot
   Anote Life Assurance Alice
   Assurance Life Assurance Alice
- Great Environ Life Assurance (M) Blad Hamaware Saevi, SE, Cawangan Malays Hong Leong Assurance Blad Manufile Insurance Blad
- more Group Hhd
- Makeysian Life Seines MCIS Insurance Blid Producted Assurance 1 Sen Life Makeysia Ac Liste Company

Senaral abili MTA

AIA PUBLIC Takakil Risk AmAletille Takakil Risk

Ftiga Family Takaful Blat Etiga General Takaful Blat Great Fastern Takaful Blat

Industry's solidarity and collective response to COVID-19 Outbreak featured in respective media

emergency by announcing that all life insurers in Malaysia will provide hospitalisation coverage and treatment to policyholders infected by the COVID-19. The World Health Organisation has declared the outbreak of COVID-19 as a global health emergency.

Even though a majority of the medical policies carry an exclusion on communicable diseases requiring quarantine by law, the Malaysian life insurers were responding to an immediate need of the nation by waiving the exclusion on quarantine by law in light of the increasing number of people who have been affected.

#### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

Firstly, I wish to extend my deepest appreciation to LIAM Immediate Past President, Anusha Thavarajah, for her outstanding service, commitment and dedication in leading the Association from April 2018 to June 2019. Her strong leadership is an inspiration to the Management Committee to continue to pursue the industry's goals. Anusha has taken on the role of CEO. Life and Health for Allianz Asia Pacific since the end of 2019.

It is an honour for me to take over the reins from Anusha. I wish to thank the Members of the Management Committee for giving me this opportunity to lead LIAM. I would also like to welcome on board Ben Ng, CEO, AIA Bhd. to the Management Committee and look forward to his involvement and contributions.

#### CONDOLENCE

On behalf of LIAM, I would like to record my deepest condolences to the family of Allahyarham Md Adnan Md Zain, a great and outstanding leader while he was the President of LIAM from 2009 to 2011.

Allahyarham Md Adnan had led LIAM and the life insurance industry to many outstanding achievements. We will always remember his legacy, humility and sincerity and cherish the wonderful memories of Allahyarham in our hearts.

#### CONCLUSION

We have concluded another exciting year with many accomplishments. I wish to record my gratitude and appreciation to my colleagues on the Management Commitment for their invaluable input, support and tireless commitment towards LIAM's initiatives and projects. I also wish to thank all the Chairmen and members of the various Committees. Working Committees and Task Forces for their time and contributions towards LIAM's activities. The Members' contributions and support are certainly the corner-stone of the Association's success.

On behalf of LIAM, I also wish to extend our appreciation to the offices of Bank Negara Malaysia, Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Health, Ministry of Education, Ministry of Communications and Multimedia Malaysia, the Royal Malaysian Customs and Excise Department, the Inland Revenue Board of Malaysia and the various Government agencies for their guidance and assistance.

Last but not least, my special thanks to the team at the LIAM Secretariat led by Mark O'Dell for their diligence and dedication in serving the members and the industry. Let us continue to work together for another fruitful year in 2020.

#### **LOH GUAT LAN**

PRESIDENT

# **MEMBERS OF THE MANAGEM**

- Ben Ng
  Management Committee
- Rangam Bir
  Vice President
- 3 Loh Guat Lan
  President
- Ramzi Toubassy

  Management Committee
- YBhg Dato Koh Yaw Hui Management Committee
- Mark O'Dell
  Chief Executive Officer
- Paul Low Management Committee
- Gan Leong Hin
  Management Committee
- 9 Nancy Tan
  Executive Secretary
- Toi See Jong
  Management Committee
- Raymond Lew

  Management Committee



Sitting from left to right

1

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# **ENT COMMITTEE 2019/2020**



Standing from left to right

# **MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE 2019/2020**

#### **PRESIDENT**

#### **Loh Guat Lan**

(with effect from 28 August 2019)
Hong Leong Assurance Berhad

#### Anusha Thavarajah

(until 26 June 2019)
AIA Bhd.

#### **VICE-PRESIDENT**

#### Rangam Bir

Gibraltar BSN Life Berhad

#### **MEMBERS**

#### AIA Bhd.

Alternate

Main Representative: Ben Ng

(with effect from 23 August 2019) Anusha Thavarajah

(until 26 June 2019)
Heng Zee Wang

#### **AmMetLife Insurance Berhad**

Main Representative : Ramzi Toubassy

Alternate : Lee Jiau Jiunn

David Liew

#### **Etiqa Life Insurance Berhad**

Main Representative : Paul Low Hong Ceong
Alternate : John Chong Yong Kong

Bahri Mohd Aris

#### Gibraltar BSN Life Berhad

Main Representative : Rangam Bir
Alternate : Chua Kim Soon

Lee Kok Wah

#### Great Eastern Life Assurance (Malaysia) Berhad

Main Representative: YBhg Dato Koh Yaw Hui

Alternate : Jeffrey Yem

Loke Chang Yueh

#### Hong Leong Assurance Berhad

Main Representative : Loh Guat Lan
Alternate : Loke Kah Meng

(until 15 December 2019) Ong Kheng Heng

#### Prudential Assurance Malaysia Berhad

Main Representative : Gan Leong Hin

Alternate : Sim Ng

Zameen Zahari

#### Sun Life Malaysia Assurance Berhad

Main Representative: Raymond Lew Alternate: Ho Teck Seng

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Irina Lim

#### Tokio Marine Life Insurance Malaysia Bhd.

Main Representative : Toi See Jong
Alternate : Wong Kang Yuan

Kang Yu Fen

## **INDUSTRY AT A GLANCE**

#### **JANUARY**

#### 10 Jan 2019

Industry Meeting on Sales & Service
Tax

#### 22 Jan 2019

LIAM-OLIS Seminar, Sasana Kijang, Kuala Lumpur

#### 24 Jan 2019

Industry Meeting on Communication Template on Sustainability of Investment-linked Policies

#### 26 Jan 2019

Strategic Planning Meeting, The Majestic Hotel, Kuala Lumpur

#### **FEBRUARY**

#### 12-13 Feb 2019

9<sup>th</sup> Motivational Workshop - LIAM Structured Internship Programme, Kuala Lumpur

#### 20 Feb 2019

4<sup>th</sup> Forum of MFRS 17, Kuala Lumpur

#### 23-24 Feb 2019

Karnival Kewangan Miri, Sarawak

#### 24 Feb 2019

NAMLIFA Run for Insurance, Miri, Sarawak

#### **MARCH**

#### 14 Mar 2019

Meeting with NAMLIFA on Balanced Score Card

#### 26 Mar 2019

Talk by Gibraltar BSN Life Berhad at Politeknik Sultan Salahuddin Abdul Aziz Shah, Shah Alam

#### 29 Mar 2019

LIAM Annual General Meeting

#### **APRIL**

#### 3 Apr 2019

- Visit by Ministry of Finance Japan
- Industry Meeting on Investmentlinked Business

#### 4-6 Apr 2019

Karnival Kewangan Terengganu

#### 8 Apr 2019

8<sup>th</sup> MFPC Graduation Ceremony & Dinner, Kuala Lumpur

#### 10 Apr 2019

5<sup>th</sup> Forum of MFRS 17, Kuala Lumpur

#### 14 Apr 2019

- NAMLIFA Run for Insurance Kuantan, Pahang
- 23<sup>rd</sup> National Chinese Life Insurance Congress, Genting Highlands

#### 16 Apr 2019

LIAM-OFS Engagement Session, Kuala Lumpur

#### 17 Apr 2019

Industry Meeting on Minimum Standards on Sales/Marketing Practices of Investment-linked Policies

#### 23 Apr 2019

- Insurance Fraud Seminar, ILKAP, Bangi
- Joint appointment of Consultation for Healthcare Cost Study by the LIAM, PIAM & MTA

#### 29 Apr 2019

Industry Meeting on Exposure Draft on Universal Life Business

#### 30 Apr 2019

Educational Visit by Students from UiTM Puncak Alam to Great Eastern Life Assurance (Malaysia) Berhad, Kuala Lumpur

#### MAY

#### 2 May 2019

LIAM Sabah Local Chapter: 1st LIAM Sabah Liaison Committee Meeting, Kota Kinabalu, Sabah

#### 9 May 2019

MFRS 17 Par Workshop by Ernst & Young, Kuala Lumpur

#### 14 May 2019

- Study Visit by Ministry of Finance, Bangladesh, Sasana Kijang, Kuala Lumpur
- Consultation on the Proposed Enhancements to the DLS Framework by PIDM, Kuala Lumpur

#### 15 May 2019

- Joint LIAM-MTA Meeting on Balanced Score Card
- Exclusive Media Interview with Smart Investor

#### 27 May 2019

Meeting with NAMLIFA on Balanced Score Card

#### 28 May 2019

Exclusive Media Interview with The Edge on new Investment-Linked Business Guidelines

#### 31 May 2019

Media Interview with BFM Radio – The Breakfast Grille

#### **JUNE**

#### 3 Jun 2019

Exclusive Media Interview with BERNAMA Portal, BERNAMA TV & BERNAMA Radio on new Investment-Linked Business Guidelines

#### 13 Jun 2019

- LIAM Hari Raya Gathering with Children, Lanai Kijang, Kuala Lumpur
- Exclusive Media Interview with TV3
   Buletin Utama on the new Investment-Linked Business Guidelines

#### 18 Jun 2019

10<sup>th</sup> Motivational Workshop - LIAM Structured Internship Programme, Kuala Lumpur

#### 19 Jun 2019

Exclusive Media Interview with New Straits Times on new Investment-Linked Business Guidelines

#### 20 Jun 2019

Joint LIAM-MTA Meeting on Balanced Score Card

#### 25 Jun 2019

Exclusive Media Interview with Sin Chew Daily on new Investment-Linked Business Guidelines

#### 27 Jun 2019

6th Forum of MFRS 17, Kuala Lumpur

#### **INDUSTRY AT A GLANCE**

#### **JULY**

#### 1 Jul 2019

- Publication of a 2-page advertorial on "Managing and Sustaining Your ILP/Family Takaful Certificate" in New Straits Times
- Implementation of e-ID for Individual Agents

#### 3 Jul 2019

4<sup>th</sup> FINCO Members' Dialogue Day, Sasana Kijang, Kuala Lumpur

#### 10 Jul 2019

Publication of a 2-page advertorial on "Managing and Sustaining Your ILP/Family Takaful Certificate" in Sin Chew Daily

#### 11 Jul 2019

Publication of a 2-page advertorial on "Managing and Sustaining Your ILP/Family Takaful Certificate" in Berita Harian

#### 13-14 Jul 2019

Karnival Kewangan Melaka

#### 23 Jul 2019

Launching of the Malaysia National Strategy for Financial Literacy 2019-2023, Sasana Kijang, Kuala Lumpur

#### 24 Jul 2019

Malaysia Financial Services Industry Conference 2019, Kuala Lumpur

#### 25 Jul 2019

Meeting with NAMLIFA on Balanced Score Card

#### 26 Jul 2019

Briefing to members of LIAM, PIAM and MTA on Independent Study on Healthcare Cost

#### 31 Jul 2019

Visit by Meiji Yasuda Asia, Japan

#### **AUGUST**

#### 2 Aug 2019

Joint LIAM-MTA Meeting on Balanced Score Card

#### 7 Aug 2019

Certified International Pension And Retirement Professional (CIPRP) 2019, Kuala Lumpur

#### 8 Aug 2019

- Courtesy Visit by the Inland Revenue Board Of Malaysia (LHDN) on Special Program For Voluntary Disclosure
- Visit by Dai-ichi Life Insurance Company, Japan

#### 21 Aug 2019

Special Seminar on Smarter Insurance Beyond Big Data in conjunction with the 62<sup>nd</sup> ISI World Statistics Congress 2019, Kuala Lumpur Convection Centre, Kuala Lumpur

#### 27 Aug 2019

Meeting with Ministry of Health on Insurance for Mental Illness Patients, Putrajaya

#### **SEPTEMBER**

#### 1-30 Sept 2019

Nationwide Blood Donation Campaign 2019

#### 4 Sept 2019

Publication on online financial portal GoBear - "Investment-linked Product (ILP): What Is It and Is It Suitable For Me?"

#### 5 Sept 2019

- Publication on online financial portal Ringgit Plus – 'How Much Do You Know About Investment-linked Insurance?'
- Visit by Nippon Life Asia Pacific Japan, Kuala Lumpur

#### 11 Sept 2019

- Industry Meeting Minimum Standards on Sales/Marketing Practices of Investment-linked Policies
- Publication on online financial portal iMoney - 'Is Your Insurance/Takaful Plan Sustainable?'
- Publication on online financial portal Mimirello – 'I'm Clearer About Investment-linked Insurance Policy / Takaful Certificate (ILP) Now'

#### 12 Sept 2019

Visit by China Life and China Re

#### 13 Sept 2019

LIAM Sarawak Local Chapter: LIAM 2<sup>nd</sup> Sarawak Liaison Committee Meeting, Kuching, Sarawak

#### 13-15 Sept 2019

LIAM Blood Donation Campaign, Kompleks SOGO Kuala Lumpur

#### 17 Sept 2019

Industry Meeting on Balanced Score Card for Bancassurance

#### 18 Sept 2019

Publication on online financial portal Ariff Shah – "Kemaskini Terbaru Polisi Insurans Hayat / Sijil Takaful Keluarga berkaitan Pelaburan"

#### 20 Sept 2019

Launching Ceremony of the LIAM's Health Awareness & Nationwide Blood Donation Campaign, Tesco Kepong Village Mall

#### 20-22 Sept 2019

LIAM Blood Donation Campaign, Tesco Kepong Village Mall

#### 24 Sept 2019

Joint LIAM-MTA Task Force Meeting on Personal Data Protection Act 2010

#### 28 Sept 2019

LIAM Blood Donation Campaign, Giant Hypermarket Bandar Kinrara, Puchong

#### 28-29 Sept 2019

Karnival Kewangan Perlis

#### 29 Sept 2019

KL World Heart Day

#### **OCTOBER**

#### 1-2 Oct 2019

12<sup>th</sup> ASEAN Insurance Congress, Bali, Indonesia

#### 4 Oct 2019

- Industry Meeting on Balanced Score Card for Agents
- Engagement Session with the Industry on the AML/CFT and TFS For FIs Exposure Draft [Sector 2] by Bank Negara Malaysia
- Educational Talk on Uterine Fibroids and Adenomyosis treatments with New Technology HIFU by Elite Medical

#### **INDUSTRY AT A GLANCE**

#### 8 Oct 2019

- Publication of a 2-page advertorial in New Straits Times on "The lowdown on Medical and Health Insurance/Takaful"
- International Financial Crime and Terrorism Financing (IFCTF) Conference 2019, Kuala Lumpur

#### 9-10 Oct 2019

11<sup>th</sup> Motivational Workshop -LIAM Structured Internship Programme, Kuala Lumpur

#### 10 Oct 2019

Appreciation Dinner for LIAM Past President, Ms Anusha Thavarajah, Marble 8, KLCC

#### 11 Oct 2019

MFPC Financial Planning Workshop at Universiti Malaya

#### 12-13 Oct 2019

Karnival Kewangan Sandakan, Sabah

#### 16 Oct 2019

Industry Meeting on Revision of Rules on the Registration of Intermediaries

#### 17 Oct 2019

Courtesy Visit by Persatuan Insurans Sarawak

#### 18 Oct 2019

7<sup>th</sup> Forum of MFRS 17, Kuala Lumpur

#### 22 Oct 2019

- Visit by Dai-ichi Life Insurance Company, Japan, Kuala Lumpur
- Publication of a 2-page advertorial in New Straits Times on - 'Why do my medical and health plan premiums/contributions keep increasing?'

#### 24-30 Oct 2019

LIAM Sarawak Local Chapter: LIAM Sarawak Awareness Program, UNIMAS. Sarawak

#### **NOVEMBER**

#### 5 Nov 2019

Publication of a 1-page advertorial in New Straits Times on "It Pays to Understand Your Medical and Health Plan"

#### 6 Nov 2019

Budget 2020 Briefing by Deloitte

#### 7 Nov 2019

LIAM Sarawak Local Chapter: Talk on Good Financial Practices at UCSI Sarawak

#### 18 Nov 2019

Publication on online portal 'Ringgit oh Ringgit' by Suraya Zainudin: "Investment-linked Products, As Explained By the CEO of Life Insurance Association of Malaysia"

#### 19 Nov 2019

Meeting Between Malaysian Association of Rehab Physicians (MARP) and Ministry of Health with LIAM

#### 20 Nov 2019

Publication of a 1-page advertorial in Berita Harian on "Fakta Sebenar mengenai Insurans/Takaful Perubatan dan Kesihatan"

#### 25-29 Nov 2019

45<sup>th</sup> ASEAN Insurance Council Meeting, Nay Pyi Taw, Myanmar

#### **DECEMBER**

#### 2 Dec 2019

Shooting of HERO video – ILP Consumer Education Awareness Campaign

#### 3 Dec 2019

Dialogue with Governor of BNM and Senior Management Team

#### 6 Dec 2019

- Media Appreciation Lunch, Sheraton Imperial Hotel, Kuala Lumpur
- Publication of a 1-page advertorial in Sin Chew Daily on "The lowdown on Medical and Health Insurance/ Takafu"

#### 9 Dec 2019

- Joint Workshop for Agent Professionalism Framework
- Exclusive Media Interview with The Edge

#### 10 Dec 2019

- LIAM Year End Cocktail for Chief Executive Officers, Banyan Tree, Kuala Lumpur
- Talk on the 13<sup>th</sup> Fee Schedule (Private Healthcare and Facilities Act 2006) organized by the Insurance and Takaful Industry and Ministry of Health, Kuala Lumpur

#### 11-12 Dec 2019

OECD-BNM Conference on Financial Education and Financial Consumer Protection in Asia Pacific: Empowering Financial Consumers in the Digital Age, Sasana Kijang, Kuala Lumpur

#### 12 Dec 2019

Industry Briefing on Financial Services Professional Board (FSPB) – Incorporation and Funding

#### 13 Dec 2019

Publication of a 1-page advertorial in Sin Chew Daily on "Why do my medical and health plan premiums/contributions keep increasing?"

#### 16 Dec 2019

Publication of a 1-page advertorial in New Straits Times on "Investment-linked policies — improving disclosure and transparency for customers"

#### 23 Dec 2019

- Publication of a 1-page advertorial in Berita Harian on "Pelan Berkaitan Pelaburan - Meningkatkan pendedahan dan ketelusan untuk pelanggan"
- Publication of a 1-page advertorial in Sin Chew Daily on "Investment-linked policies — improving disclosure and transparency for customers"
- Publication of a 1-page advertorial in Sin Chew Daily on 'It Pays to Understand Your Medical and Health Plan"

#### 28-29 Dec 2019

LIFT Festival Putrajaya





LIAM - OLIS Seminar



LIAM Strategic Planning Meeting





Motivational Workshop under LIAM Structured Intership Programme





- Karnival Kewangan Miri



LIAM 45<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting





- Karnival Kewangan Terengganu



- LIAM Sabah Local Chapter: 1st LIAM Sabah Liaison Committee Meeting



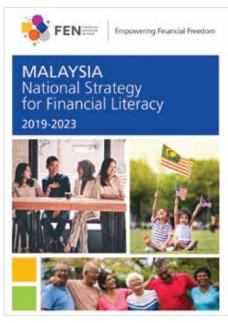
LIAM Hari Raya Gathering





– Karnival Kewangan Melaka





- Launching of the Malaysia National Strategy for Financial Literacy 2019-2023



. Courtesy Visit by the Inland Revenue Board of Malaysia (LHDN) on Special Program For Voluntary Disclosure



· LIAM Sarawak Local Chapter: 2<sup>nd</sup> Sarawak Liaison Committee Meeting



- Nationwide Blood Donation Campaign







- Nationwide Blood Donation Campaign



- 12<sup>th</sup> ASEAN Insurance Congress Bali, Indonesia





- 45<sup>th</sup> ASEAN Insurance Council Meeting, Myanmar



· Joint LIAM-MTA Improving Agent Professionalism Workshop



- Talk on the 13th Fee Schedule (Private Healthcare & Facilities Act 2006)





2019 was another exciting year for the industry. Many industry activities and engagement programmes took place during the year with the full support from 16 member companies. Here are the highlights of activities and major issues handled during the period under review.

# LIAM STRATEGIC PLANNING MEETING

LIAM kicked off 2019 by organising a Strategic Planning Meeting for captains of the industry, CEOs and senior management of LIAM member companies at the Majestic Hotel Kuala Lumpur on 26 January 2019.

The objective of the meeting was to review the ongoing LIAM's activities, brainstorm new ideas and strategise plans for the industry's transformation agenda.

LIAM also took the opportunity to organise a special dialogue session with YB Tuan Tony Pua, the then Political Secretary to YB Tuan Lim Guan Eng, former Minister of Finance Malaysia. It was indeed a good and fruitful sharing session for the industry.

Together with the industry's captains, LIAM formulated a 3-year strategic roadmap to further transform the industry.

Subsequently, the Strategic Roadmap was presented to Assistant Governor of BNM, Adnan Zaylani bin Mohamad Zahid and senior officials from various departments including the Insurance Development Department and Consumer and Market Conduct Department of BNM. The aim of the presentation was to get their views and to ensure that LIAM's strategy is in–line with BNM's direction for the industry and that all relevant aspects are being covered.

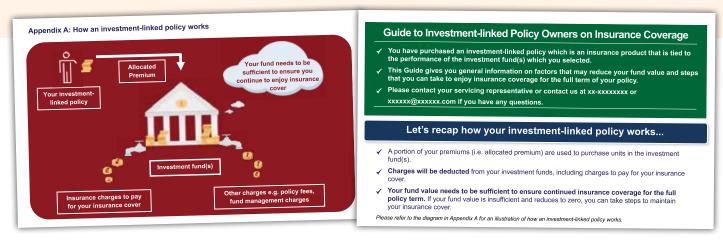
### CONTINUOUS EFFORT IN CONSUMER EDUCATION

# Consumer Education & Awareness Campaign on Investment-Linked Plans (ILP) for Insurance and Takaful Industry

Following the issuance of a policy document on Investment-Linked Business by BNM on 11 January 2019 and the subsequent letter on "Product Illustration rate and safeguard measures for sales/marketing of investment-linked policies/takaful certificates" dated 31 January 2019, LIAM and MTA have embarked on a consumer education campaign on Investment-Linked Plans (ILP).

The Campaign aimed to educate consumers on their policy, improve transparency and ensure consumers are provided with sufficient and timely information so that their policies are sustainable.

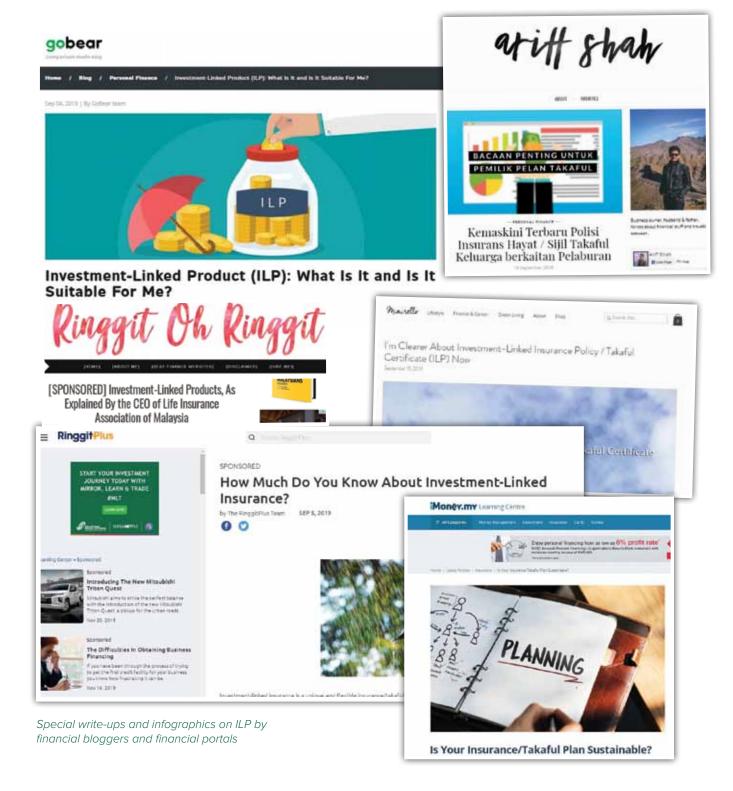
Amongst the campaign mechanics include the development of a standard communication template in three languages namely English, Bahasa Malaysia and Mandarin. The template explains the sustainability of ILPs; how the policies work, what could reduce fund value and what customers need to do to ensure the continued coverage of their policy until the end of their contract term.



Standard industry communication on sustainability of Investment-Linked Plans (ILP)



A series of exclusive interviews were arranged with the print and electronic media between the months of May to June 2019. Subsequently, ILP advertorials were featured in the English, Bahasa Malaysia and Mandarin newspapers in July 2019. Special write-ups and infographics were also published by financial bloggers and financial portals such as iMoney, GoBear and RinggitPlus from September to October 2019. A series of five vector videos to educate Malaysians on ILP were also produced. The videos which were 60-seconds long each educate consumers on flexibility, transparency, protection and sustainability of ILPs. Each video is communicated in local relatable everyday life scenario which can be easily understood. The vector videos were boosted on Facebook and Instagram in December 2019 and was made available in Bahasa Malaysia and Mandarin in the first quarter of 2020.



Also in December 2019, LIAM published an educational piece to help the public understand the new ILP Sales Illustration and Disclosures after 1 January 2020. Produced in three languages, the ILP Sales Illustration and Disclosures' educational piece were featured in the English, Bahasa Malaysia and Chinese media and shared on social media.

Towards the end of the year, LIAM and MTA collaborated to produce a Hero Video to educate the mass audience on the importance of life insurance/takaful and medical and health protection. The video features popular TV personality, Naz Rahman as the host, engaging in friendly and humorous conversations with four young children, to discuss and discover what life insurance is and why it is important.

The recording session was held on 2 December 2019 at Blokke Café, Citta Mall, Ara Damansara. The video will be screened on YouTube and social media platforms in the first guarter of 2020.



A series of vector videos to educate Malaysians on ILP



In addition to the above, LIAM will be issuing the Minimum Standards for Sales Practices for Investment-Linked Policies as best practices for the industry. These standards to be imposed at the pre-sale and post-sale are to ensure that agents are properly trained to sell ILP suitable to the policyholders' needs and risk appetite. The measures emphasize upholding ethical practices and agents' training on ILP products and the requirements imposed by BNM and LIAM on the sales of ILP as well as welcome calls to policyholders to ensure that they understand the terms and conditions of the ILP that they have bought.

The 30 hours Continuing Professional Development for the first year of a newly-licensed agents will also include a minimum of five hours of investment-linked training.



Production of a Hero Video to educate the mass audience on the importance of life insurance protection

#### 投資聯結保單 -改善對顧客的解釋及透明度

投资联结保单及回数保险证书(ILP)的销售与营销新指 南·今年7月起分两阶段生效。首先我们看到被厚保 单持续性的条款。以及规定保险;回载保险公司说明预 期推持保单至满期为止所需的保费和参与财金。到了 2020年1月,将会实施额外的改变。

#### 定期獲取投資聯結保單的最新資料

保单持续性的概念是为了了解与管理香嫩付的定期 保费/参与财金。以便推持您所需的保障期限。改变 保障。保险/回数保险的附加很单、保费/参与财金费 用, 致行一項智强徵付保费/参与财金服期,以及LLP 基金投资回酬的增减,这些因素都可改变预期的保障 期限。定期检讨您持有的保单及证书。以确保您徵付 的保费/参与财金一直足干维持您LLP。

明年1月起、保險/回數保險公司將需要至少每年一次 为保单及证书持有套提供最新的资料,让持有舍了解 依们的ILP是否可維持在提有的保费/参与試会水平, 并向他们提供改善保单持续性的选择,确保他们的保 矩阵/参考。 响您的ILP

#### 以圖解方式說明投資回酬

目前,当您考虑购买一项ILP时,您的代理或银行保险 专员会为您提供一项产品说明书,让您了解保费/参与 献金、收费、现金价值和死亡利益。提产品说明的假 设投资回酬率而定、现金价值和死亡利益有可能逐年 不同。在2020年1月1日之前法律规定投资回酬率情况 有两种、视所选择的投资器金种类而定。

2019年7月1日起,保险/回数保险公司公須设定推持ILI的整个保障期所需的最低保费/参与献金,其数额按照不高于保险/回数保险公司估计的最佳投资回酬率来计算。产品说明书必须向潜在买着解释清楚。老所选择的投资基金根据以上图表内说明的回酬率来鉴定其假设回酬。有关保章/证书的表现会如何(2020年1月1日之前)。

1月1日过后,这两种情况的回酬率将更改为一律2巴仙 及5巴伯,不管是选择何种投资基金。更改至较低的回 酬率不意味著它反映您預期的回酬水平,而是反映了 ILP如何根据不同的投资情况操作。它目前也与市面上 其他产品如源息参于保单一致。



管理您的ILP

2020年1月过后增发·其保障包含附加保单的可检讨保

### **Educating Consumer on Medical & Health Insurance (MHI)**

Managing healthcare costs is another important subject for the industry. LIAM, PIAM and MTA had setup a Communication committee to work on a communication strategy to educate consumers on Medical and Health Insurance (MHI). This is also to compliment the industry's study on key drivers of the rising healthcare costs in the country.

A 3-part series of articles were published in three languages namely English, Bahasa Malaysia and Mandarin covering the following topics:

- The lowdown on medical and health insurance/takaful,
- Why do my medical, health plan premiums/contributions keep increasing?
- It Pays to Understand Your Medical and Health Plan



The three articles were published in the mainstream media and social media platforms between the months of October and December 2019 and had generated great interest among the general consumers and social media audience.

Ultimately, the ongoing consumer education campaign is seen as a strategy to combat misconceptions on insurance, to educate on key issues and to guide them to become educated consumers.



## LIAM launches newly-revamped website

During the year, LIAM revamped its corporate website **www.liam.org.my** with mobile-friendly and tablet responsive features to cater to the digital generation.

Based on a magazine style concept, the website has more security features, flexible and easy to maintain. It is also updated to support LIAM's ongoing and future activities. Using the windows platform, the website also has a social media module - likes, share and send features — to easily share information with consumers.

The new website was launched to the media on 6 December 2019 at the Media Appreciation Lunch hosted by LIAM at the Sheraton Imperial Hotel Kuala Lumpur.



# COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROGRAMMES UNDER INSURANS HAYAT CARES

### Hari Raya Open House 2019

In conjunction with the Hari Raya celebration this year, LIAM together with its 16 member companies held a gathering for about 100 children and teenagers from four charitable homes at Lanai Kijang, Kuala Lumpur on 13 June 2019. They were joined by LIAM stakeholders, regulators and business partners as well as media.

The children and teenagers from the ages of 7 to 17 years old were from Rumah Amal Permata Hatiku, Gombak; Rumah Amal Asnaf Al Barakh, Ulu Klang; Rumah Shalom, Puchong and Rumah Juara, Petaling Jaya. They were treated to a scrumptious buffet spread and also received 'Duit Raya' and goodie bags containing teddy bears, toiletries, face towels, stationeries, T-shirts and string bags. The four homes also received contribution in kind from LIAM comprising household essentials such as food, groceries and toiletries.



























In conjunction with Malaysia's 62<sup>nd</sup> Independence and Malaysia Day celebration 2019, life insurance industry joined hands with NAMLIFA and Pusat Darah Negara to organise a month-long campaign at over 40 strategic locations nationwide from 1 to 30 September 2019.

With the theme, "Donate Blood and Save up to three lives", the campaign covered five regions namely Central, Northern, Southern, East Coast and East Malaysia. It recorded 3,000 registered donors and collected a total of 2,500 bags of blood.

At the Secretariat level, a 7-day blood donation activity was carried out at three locations in Kuala Lumpur and Selangor. They were at SOGO (K.L.) Department Store (12-14 September 2019), Tesco Kepong Village Mall (20-22 September 2019) and Giant Hypermarket Bandar Kinrara, Puchong (27 September 2019). All three events were successful in educating the public and encouraging more people to donate blood.

The launching ceremony was held at Tesco Kepong Village Mall, Kuala Lumpur, on 20 September 2019. To coincide with the launch, LIAM collaborated with the National Heart Institute and KPJ Healthcare Berhad to offer Complimentary Health screenings and Consultation, Flexibility Test and Anti-Smoking Clinic for patrons at the Mall.



# Reaching out to consumers through Karnival Kewangan

In support of BNM's effort to promote financial literacy among the public, LIAM continued to participate in five Karnival Kewangan (Financial Carnivals) organised by BNM in Miri, Sarawak on 23 and 24 February 2019, in Kuala Terengganu, Terengganu on 4 to 6 April 2019, in Melaka on 13 to 14 July 2019, in Perlis on 28 and 29 September 2019 and in Sandakan on 12 and 13 October 2019.

Representatives from member companies were at LIAM's booth to promote low premium protection plans under the Perlindungan Tenang initiative to the local community. There were also games and activities for children and students who visited LIAM's booth at all the five carnivals.







The LIFT festival was officiated by the then Deputy Prime Minister of Malaysia, YAB Dato' Seri Dr Wan Azizah Wan Ismail and featured a host of exhibitors from BNM, Government-linked bodies, financial services industry and Fintech companies All participants heightened awareness for financial literacy as well as promoted the adoption of FinTech and other technological advances among the public through compelling exhibits.

December 2019. The event was a timely opportunity to promote Perlindungan Tenang products. Games and other fun activities organised were well received by the public and successfully generated the awareness

and understanding on life insurance.



LIFT Festival Putrajaya





Karnival Kewangan Perlis

















Karnival Kewangan Terengganu









Karnival Kewangan Miri

## Serving the underserved young population through FINCO

The industry continued to reach out to the underserved young population through its participation in the Financial Industry Collective Outreach (FINCO) initiative. Formed in 2017, FINCO comprises 107 financial institutions under seven financial industry associations with the support of BNM, aimed to empower underprivileged children and youth to build a better future for themselves.

FINCO activities focus on four pillars i.e. life in inspiration, English proficiency, financial proficiency and disaster relief to empower and inspire children to achieve their life goals. These activities are supported by funding contributions and volunteers from the members including life insurance companies.

With the success of its flagship programmes namely FINCO Reads and FINCO Mentor in Sabah and Sarawak, these programmes will be rolled out to all states in Malaysia by 2021. Through its collaboration with the Ministry of Education Malaysia, the National FINCO Programmes was launched on 3 April 2019.



FINCO briefing session with LIAM CEO Mark O'Dell held on 19th March 2019



4<sup>th</sup> Members Dialogue Day, 4<sup>th</sup> July 2019



National Launch of FINCO Programmes held on 3rd April 2019



### **ENGAGING AND EMPOWERING YOUTH**

# LIAM Structured Internship Programme

As of end-December 2019, a total of 428 interns have enrolled in the LIAM Structured Internship Programme since it was launched in September 2016. The programme aids young talents undergo internship attachment with any life insurance or reinsurance companies in Malaysia for a duration of three months. The main objective is to encourage graduates to join the industry as a career of choice by giving them the opportunity to gain first-hand experience of the vast career opportunities offered by insurance companies.





In addition to work experience with member companies, LIAM also organised a two-day workshop as part of the internship programme for the interns to sharpen their communication and presentation skills as well as build self-confidence and leadership skills. Three workshops were held during the year on 12 and 13 February 2019 at Great Eastern Life Assurance (M) Berhad, and 18 and 19 June 2019, and 9 and 10 October 2019, both at Tokio Marine Life Insurance Malaysia Bhd.





10<sup>th</sup> Motivational Workshop





11h Motivational Workshop



Engagement session with Great Eastern Life Assurance (Malaysia) Berhad on 30th April 2019

# LIAM engagement sessions with tertiary education students

In 2019, LIAM continued to engage with tertiary education students with the objective of exposing them to the operations of a life insurance company and the prospects of the industry. The first engagement session was held with 25 students currently enrolled in the Diploma in Insurance course at the Politeknik Sultan Salahuddin Abdul Aziz Shah. The session was held in the college's Shah Alam campus on 26 March 2019. The session was conducted by Adham Anuar, Assistant Manager of Human Resources and Chow Wing Keong, Head, Life Operations from Gibraltar BSN Life Berhad. They shared their experience and expertise in the industry and life operations practices at Gibraltar BSN Life Berhad.

The second engagement session was held on 30 April 2019 where Great Eastern Life Assurance (Malaysia) Berhad hosted an educational visit to a group of 75 Bachelor students of Health Administration (Insurance and Billing) from UiTM Puncak Alam, Selangor.



Engagement session with Gibraltar BSN Life Berhad on 26th March 2019

The students also had the opportunity to participate in a treasure hunt headed by Andy Ng Yen Heng, Senior Vice President & Head, Centre for Excellence and his team.

It was a fruitful session for the students as they gained first-hand knowledge and information from the speakers of both companies.

### **REGULATORY MEASURES**

### **Operating Cost Controls for Life Insurance and Family Takaful Business**

On 24 December 2019, BNM issued the policy document on the Operating Cost Controls for Life Insurance and Family Takaful Business, providing the operational details of the Balanced Scorecard (BSC) framework for bancassurance partners, which is planned for implementation on 1 January 2021 together with the adjustment of commission limits for bancassurance partners to be aligned to that of corporate agents.

The Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) of the BSC for agents was also revised and the KPI on the number of policies sold/marketed or annualised first year premium had been removed.

From 1 January 2020, the KPIs will be on:

- i) Completion rate of the Customer Fact Find Form (Option 1 or 2)
- ii) Persistency Rate (1st and 2nd Year)
- iii) Number of substantiated complaints
- iv) Continuing Professional Development (CPD) hours

The KPIs for bancassurance partners will be the same, however, the percentage of BSC commission will be set at 35% of total commission payable. The BSC Commission for agents has been set at 25% of total commission payable since the BSC was implemented on 1 January 2018.

### **Direct Channel**

BNM issued the policy document on Direct Distribution Channels for Pure Protection Products on 3 September 2018. Insurers are required to make available standalone pure protection products to consumers through direct distribution channels for Critical Illness and medical and health products by 1 March 2019. Standalone pure protection term products had been made available through direct distribution channels since 1 July 2017.

### **Risk Management in Technology**

On 18 July 2019, the policy document on Risk Management in Technology (RMiT) was issued setting out the requirements with regard to financial institutions' management of technology risk.

Financial Institutions are expected to demonstrate their risk management practices and controls according to the size and complexity of their operations that will commensurate with the increased technology risk exposure of the institution. The policy document also prescribes minimum standards to prevent exploitation of weak links in interconnected networks and systems that may be detrimental to other financial institutions and the wider financial system.

# Anti-Money Laundering, Countering Financing of Terrorism and Targeted Financial Sanctions

The Policy Document on anti-money laundering, countering financing of terrorism and targeted financial sanctions for financial institutions (AML, CFT and TFS for Fls) issued by BNM took effect from 1 January 2020. The AML/CFT and TFS for Fls is a revision and consolidation of the previous AML/CFT Sector 1 to 4 policy documents. This policy document stipulates the responsibilities and obligations of reporting institutions imposed under the AMLA.

Prior to the issuance of the Policy Document, BNM held an industry consultation with LIAM members on the Exposure Draft on 4 October 2019 at Sasana Kijang. The session was attended by senior executives of Compliance Department including members of Compliance Officers Networking Group. Following the consultation session, LIAM submitted the industry's feedback to BNM for its review. The policy document will provide clarity and guideline to the industry on the subject matter.

### **IFRS/MFRS 17 Project**

The IFRS/MFRS 17 – the Accounting Standard for Insurance Contracts, represents the most significant change to insurance accounting requirements in 20 years, which demands a complete overhaul of insurers' financial statements and affects mainly life insurers because of their long-term contracts. The Accounting Standard will take effect from 1 January 2022.

In view of the significant impact to the industry; a MFRS 17 Committee has been formed together with the appointment of Ernst and Young (EY) as the consultant to work on the project. The project started on 18 October 2018 and since then, 8 forums and one Workshop on Par Contract have been conducted by Ernst and Young (EY) to the industry.

As a result of the discussions between EY and the MFRS 17 Committee, 10 Guidance Notes (GN) have been drafted by EY and these GN were officially

issued to member companies on 25 September 2019 and 20 January 2020 respectively:

GN1 Separation of legal contract and combination of contracts

GN2 Determination of no significant possibility of becoming onerous

GN3 Grouping of contracts that is subjected to similar risks and managed together

GN4 Future Cash Flows for DAAC DAE

**GN5** Discounting Approach

**GN6** Contract Boundary

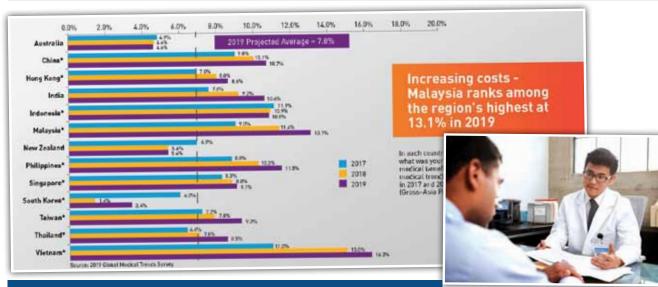
**GN7** Investment Component

GN8 Policy Loan, Advance Premium and Accumulated Cash Payment Treatment

GN9 Discounting

GN10 Risk Adjustment

The project is in progress in accordance to its milestones.



# Industry Task Force of Medical Health Insurance (MHI) on Cost Containment

Source: 2019 Global Medical Trend's Survey

An industry Task Force comprising members of LIAM, PIAM and MTA, was formed following the Town Hall session with BNM held on 28 September 2018. The objective of the Task Force is to identify the main drivers that lead to the persistent rise in medical premium cost and to provide high level recommendations to address this trend. A survey was conducted to analyse the claims inflation experience of the various medical products, to identify any obvious leakages and to ascertain industry best practice on claims and underwriting processes.

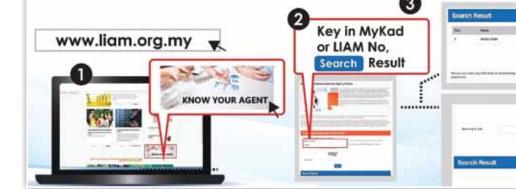
In addition to the survey, the detailed claims data is for the purpose of analysing the increasing claims trend by benefit type, diagnosis/procedure and hospital. This data is essential in identifying and quantifying the source of increasing medical claims and will serve as the supporting data in the industry's subsequent recommendations to the authorities.

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### Electronic Identification (e-ID) for Life Insurance Agents

LIAM embarked on the conversion of life insurance agents' authorisation cards to electronic ID (e-ID) in early 2019. The registration system was enhanced to allow the submission of registrations together with agents' photographs to be submitted electronically. With effect from 1 July 2019, agents can view their e-ID via the LIAM website "Know Your Agent" portal which is the same portal used for the public to check if their agents are authorised to sell/market life insurance.

# **Fair Treatment of Financial Consumers**

LIAM, PIAM and MTA have formed a working group to develop a standard professional code as a minimum benchmark for standards of ethics and conduct for the insurance and takaful industry.

**Review of Code of Ethics** 

As each Association has established their own Code of Ethics, efforts were made to align the provisions in these codes with the Financial Services Professional Board's (FSPB) Code as a benchmark. The new standardised Code of Ethics for Insurance and Takaful industry has also included provisions of Syariah principles which are applicable to takaful operators.

The final draft of the Code has been submitted to BNM for approval.

BNM has issued the Policy Document on Fair Treatment of Financial Consumers on 6 November 2019. This set of regulatory guidelines aims to inculcate high standards of responsibility and professional conduct in a financial service provider (FSP) as well as to instil a culture where consumers' interests are given great importance in a FSP's business strategies and operations and that FSP acts fairly in its dealings with financial consumers. This guideline will take effect on 6 May 2020 with the exception of the clause on Fair Terms where some parts have been implemented since November 2019 and other requirements to take effect in November 2020.

Prior to the issuance of this Policy Document, the Compliance Officers Networking Group have met twice to review the exposure draft to provide the industry's feedback to BNM and to ensure all members have a consistent understanding and interpretation of Appendix 2 of the guideline which is the Illustration of Good and Poor Practices.





# CONTINUED ENGAGEMENTS WITH STAKEHOLDERS

# Sabah and Sarawak Liaison Committee Meetings

LIAM has formed liaison committees in Sabah and Sarawak to step up its efforts to engage with the life insurance fraternity in East Malaysia.

The inaugural Sabah Liaison Committee meeting was held on 2 May 2019. It was chaired by LIAM Vice-President, Rangam Bir and attended by representatives from BNM, the National Association of Malaysian Life Insurance and Family Takaful Advisors (NAMLIFA) and LIAM member companies.

During the meeting, Rangam shared some of LIAM's on-going activities such as the conversion of agents' physical cards to electronic ID, collaboration with MII to review the existing programmes for intermediaries, the education and awareness programme on Investment-linked policies, the annual nationwide blood donation campaign in September 2019, adoption of E-payment facilities and efforts to raise the level of awareness of life insurance among the community in Sabah.



LIAM Sabah Local Chapter Meeting



The first LIAM Sarawak Liaison Committee took place on 21 September 2018. The meeting was chaired by Rangam and the attendees were briefed on LIAM's initiatives in the area of financial education, financial inclusion and community outreach programmes. The meeting generated many useful suggestions to raise the level of insurance awareness among the young generation. One of these was a suggestion to incorporate insurance as a topic in the school's curriculum, as part of a wider coverage on financial literacy education.

Rangam also chaired the second LIAM Sarawak Liaison Committee meeting held in Kuching on 13 September 2019. Representatives from Malaysian Financial Planning Council, NAMLIFA, Pertubuhan Insuran Sarawak and LIAM members were also in attendance. They discussed various initiatives that can be implemented in the state.

The Chairman of the Sarawak Liaison Committee, Chong Kuet Nguan shared the activities organised by the committee in the past year and the upcoming activities on insurance awareness at two Universities in Kuching in December 2019.

Moving forward, both the Sabah and Sarawak Chapters are set to enhance LIAM's presence in the two states with their upcoming programmes for the local community.





LIAM Sarawak Local Chapter Meeting



Insurance Awareness programme at UNIMAS, Sarawak



Insurance Awareness Programme at UCSI Sarawak

### **Transformation of the Malaysian Insurance Institute**

LIAM also played an instrumental role in the transformation of the Malaysian Insurance Institute (MII). Together with the LIAM Management Committee, we strengthened the management of MII which has brought a positive impact on LIAM. LIAM took the lead in developing a blueprint for MII transformation and the successful recruitment of a new Chief Executive Officer for MII. The primary objective of the transformation plan is to ensure better positioning of MII to serve the current and future needs of the industry.

Among the key initiatives rolled out were the introduction of a single Pre-Contract Examination and Investment-Linked Plans' examination in January 2020, the expansion of the Computer-Based Examination Centres to Tawau and Sandakan in Sabah, bringing the total of Computer-Based examination Centres around the country from 12 to 14, the launch of Training Credit Scheme for the industry to encourage companies to send their staff and intermediaries for training at MII and the upgrading of its Learning Management System to make it accessible by mobile devices particularly smartphones.







### **MII Transformation Roadmap**



#### Phase 1

# Building Capacity (Inward Looking)

- Redefine Organization Structure
- Review Roles and Right Size
- Review Product and Service Suite
- Re-engineer processes
- Product/service innovation
- Enabling factors in place

### Phase 2

### Strategic Cooperation & Innovation (Outward Looking)

- Active engagement with industry and members
- Raising professional standards
- Building strategic relationships
- Promoting innovation through partnerships
- Improved reputation and public confidence
- Customer centric service

### Phase 3

### Repositioning for Excellence (Forward Looking)

- Rebranding of MII
- Reposition as the Regional Centre of Excellence
- Internationally recognized brand in insurance industry
- Expanded membership to cover all insurance professionals to set uniform standards across the industry.
- Establish Code of Conduct & Professional Standards for insurance professionals

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# 4. Process

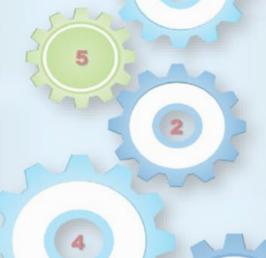
- Aim: To be customer centric and efficient
- Process reengineering & improvement (pain areas)
- End to end process review
- Leverage technology to enhance efficiency

# 2. People

- Right sizing
- Future Proofing & Reskilling
- Training & Development
- Talent Development
- · Retention Plan

### 3. Performance

- Assess current performance
- Develop performance metrics
- Tools & methods to improve staff performance
- · Coaching & Mentoring



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# **Meeting with FOMCA**

FOMCA LIAM, PIAM and MTA had a meeting with FOMCA on 11 September 2019 to discuss on the complaints that FOMCA received from the public which include denial of claims especially for medical and health insurance and critical illness, difficulty in understanding the Product Disclosure sheet as well as complaints on the lack of explanation of the terms of insurance coverage at the point of sale. In wrapping up the meeting, it was agreed that the three Associations would meet up with FOMCA twice a year to discuss and address

An industry meeting among LIAM, PIAM and MTA members was further held to look into the complaints raised by



FOMCA.

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# **Engagement with Perbadanan Insurans Deposit Malaysia**

Perbadanan Insurans Deposit Malaysia (PIDM) had issued the Differential Levy System (DLS) Consultation Paper on 3 May 2019 and conducted a briefing session on the Consultation Paper for LIAM member companies on 14 May 2019 as well as to obtain feedback from the industry.

On 3 July 2019, a dialogue session was held by PIDM to update the industry on its key activities concerning the industry, such as pilot exercises and industry consultation for resolution planning, including resolvability assessment, Resolvability Rating Framework and Methodology, stakeholder engagement on resolution planning and public engagements to enhance awareness of PIDM.

This session produced an environment for open discussion and fostered a closer relationship with member institutions. The session was attended by the 12 member companies of LIAM.

# **Engagement with Ombudsman for Financial Services**

The annual engagement between LIAM and the Ombudsman for Financial Services (OFS) was held on 16 April 2019 where OFS had shared information on the complaints and disputes handled in 2018 such as the types of complaints and disputes, number of cases registered and resolved, OFS's observations on companies' responses and some case studies.

The meeting also gave LIAM members the opportunity to discuss with OFS on issues such as requirement of Statutory Declaration, submission of amended medical reports and Total and Permanent Disability.

The OFS is the operator of the Financial Ombudsman Scheme launched on 1 October 2016. The OFS, formerly known as the Financial Mediation Bureau, is an alternative complaint or dispute resolution channel to settle disputes between financial consumers and members of OFS which comprised financial service providers such as insurance companies, takaful operators, banks and Islamic banks.

If the complainant accepts the final decision of OFS, the decision is binding on the financial institution. In the event the complainant rejects the decision, the complainant can pursue other means such as legal process to settle the dispute with the financial institution.

### **Engagement with NAMLIFA**

Representatives from LIAM member companies participated in the 'Run for Insurance' organised by NAMLIFA at Marina Square, Miri, Sarawak on 24 February 2019 and at Taman Gelora, Kuantan, Pahang on 14 April 2019 respectively. LIAM was also one of the sponsors for the run in Kuantan.

The events were held in conjunction with the Insurance Awareness Day and aimed to create awareness among the public on the importance of insurance protection.

LIAM also showed its support to NAMLIFA's Fellow of Certified Life Practitioner programme graduation ceremony which was held at Putra World Trade Centre, Kuala Lumpur on 18 November 2019 by advertising in the graduation ceremony's souvenir programme.











Run for Insurance in Miri, Sarawak, 24 February 2019

# **Engagement with Financial Services Professional Board**

The Financial Services Professional Board (FSPB) is an industry-led initiative that was launched by BNM and Securities Commission Malaysia on 24 September 2014. Its main focus is on the development and advocacy of voluntary professional and ethical standards for the financial services industry from banking, capital markets, insurance to Islamic finance. It is governed by a Board which comprises prominent members from the financial services industry and other related industries.

# To date, FSPB has developed six standards as follows:

- Code of Ethics for the financial services industry
- Guidance notes for Code of Ethics for the financial services industry
- Professional Code for the financial services industry
- Standard for Continuing Professional Development for the financial services industry
- Standard on whistleblowing for financial institutions
- Standard on conflicts of interest management framework

### **Malaysian Financial Planning Council**

As a strategic partner of Malaysian Financial Planning Council (MFPC)'s activities, LIAM had put up an exhibition booth to highlight LIAM's activities and promote its Structured Internship Programme and Perlindungan Tenang products at the 8th MFPC Graduation Ceremony and Dinner held in Berjaya Times Square Hotel & Convention Centre, Kuala Lumpur on 8 April 2019.

LIAM also had an exhibition booth at the Financial Planning Workshop organised by MFPC at Universiti Malaya on 11 October 2019 to promote the LIAM Structured Internship programme to the undergraduates.

The internship brochures were distributed to the undergraduates to encourage them to explore the LIAM internship programme which offers the opportunity to intern with any of the 16 LIAM member companies.

During the workshop, the undergraduates had the opportunity to learn about financial planning, cash flow management, investment and retirement planning, as well as life insurance planning. They were also introduced to financial planning as a career.





## **Engagement with Ministry of Health**

Two meetings were held between the Ministry of Health (MOH) and the Joint Technical Committee which comprise members of LIAM, PIAM and MTA, on 23 May 2019 and 27 August 2019 respectively.

The objectives of the meetings were to discuss the present challenge of persons with mental illness to obtain some form of insurance coverage and to explore the avenue of insurance coverage for mental illness by the insurance companies.

The Pharmaceutical Division of MOH also had a meeting with the Joint Technical Committee on 18 November 2019 to brief the industry on the proposed drug pricing control mechanism as well as to solicit feedback on potential impact of the price control mechanism on insurers and

A tripartite meeting between the Malaysian Association of Rehab Physicians (MARP), MOH and the Joint Technical Committee was held on 19 November 2019. The main objectives of the meeting were for MARP to:

- a) discuss with MOH on the proposed rehabilitation procedures, treatments by MARP to be included in the 13<sup>th</sup> Fee Schedule
- b) discuss with the JTC on the industry practices in paying claims for rehabilitation medical treatment.

# **Engagement with Ministry of Education**

In an effort to promote financial literacy particularly awareness on life insurance at school level, LIAM met with the senior officers from the Curriculum Development Division and Text Book Division of Ministry of Education on 16 July 2019 and 23 September 2019 respectively. The meetings were to discuss the inclusion of insurance as a topic into the curriculum of primary and secondary textbooks.

The industry was informed that the elements related to insurance are indeed integrated into the curriculum and the textbooks for the specific subjects, particularly subjects which are related to financial literacy and entrepreneurship. Moving forward, LIAM will be the contact point for the Ministry to verify or confirm on information related to insurance for schools textbook's contents.



### **Engagement with Pertubuhan Insuran Sarawak (PIS)**

On 17 October 2019, four council members from Pertubuhan Insuran Sarawak (PIS) paid a courtesy visit to LIAM Secretariat to foster closer relationship between the two organisations. Led by PIS President, Tommy Lee, attendees at the meeting discussed various issues related to the industry and explored areas where both organisations can work together for mutual benefits.

Earlier on 13 September 2019, LIAM participated in a Public-Private Partnership Forum organised by PIS at The Waterfront Hotel, Kuching. The forum was held in conjunction with PIS's 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration. The Chairman of LIAM Sarawak Liaison Committee, Chong Kuek Nguan, represented LIAM to give a speech titled,

"The importance of life Insurance protection". Speakers from PIAM, BNM and the relevant stakeholders also attended the forum. One of the attractions at the forum was the educational booth that LIAM setup, which promoted insurance literacy. The LIAM Sarawak Liaison Committee meeting held at the same hotel on 13 September 2019 was also attended by representatives from PIS.

Later that night, LIAM Vice President, Rangam Bir and LIAM Chief Executive Officer, Mark O'Dell attended the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary dinner celebration held at the hotel. Mark O'Dell joined the golf session with PIS the following day.





### **MEDIA ENGAGEMENT**

We continue to reach out to the Rakyat through various platforms and media is one of them. Continued engagement with the media helps to enlighten the consumers on the importance and benefits of life protection as the media is able to reach out to the right audience.

With the strong support from the media, the industry would be able to build greater awareness and interest in the insurance industry. Through consumer educational articles, we highlight the virtues of life insurance and continue to educate consumers on the importance of life insurance protection. We also keep the consumers informed on the latest developments in the industry on new regulations for the benefit of policyholders.

We are very grateful that the media has been very supportive in featuring the industry's news and covering LIAM's events over the years. We would like to thank the media for their continued support in providing timely, accurate and independent reporting of news on LIAM.

As a gesture of appreciation for the media continued support, LIAM hosted a Media Appreciation lunch on 6 December 2019 at the Sheraton Hotel Kuala Lumpur.

The event was attended by representatives from various media organisations including Bernama, RTM, Berita Harian, New Straits Times, The Edge, The Busy Weekly, Nanyang Siang Pau, Sin Chew Daily, Money Money Home Programme, Smart Investor and IMM Adviser. LIAM President, Loh Guat Lan shared the industry's updates and developments that had taken place for the past one year. Ramzi Toubassy, Chairman of Industry Promotion Committee of LIAM delivered a welcome remark and thanked the media for their professionalism and responsible reporting of news about the industry.

During the year, a series of exclusive interviews had been arranged with various media organisations, online portals, TV and radio stations. LIAM also featured articles on financial content portals and engaged with financial bloggers to reach out to a wider audience on social media.







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Selain duit raya dan buah tangan, LIAM turut memberi sumbangan kepada rumah amal itu yang terd makanan, barang keperluan dan kelengkapan dandanan diri.

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# LIAM: Need to make life insurance more affordable

THERE have been calls to make life insurance policies in Malaysia more affordable in order to boost the take-up of coverage among the rakyat, especially the Bottom-40 (B40) group, who make up the lowest-earning households in Malaysia.
According to Life Insurance Association

of Malaysia (LIAM) chief executive officer Mark O'Dell (pic), while the government has in the past introduced various measures to help lower insurance premiums in the country, more can still be done to encourage the B40 segment to get individu-

al coverage. Speaking to StarBizWeek, O'Dell says LIAM's wish for Budget 2020 is for the gov-ernment to introduce a subsidy scheme to support the take-up of policies under the Perlindungan Tenang – Mampu & Mudah initiative.

To increase the take-up rate of insurance among the B40 households, the life insurance industry has come up with the Perlindungan Tenang – Mampu & Mudah initiative (in 2017), which is a low-insurance-premium-protection-plan pro-gramme, to serve the needs of all Malaysians, especially the B40 segment," he says.

he says. He notes the importance of the pro-gramme has been recognised by the gov-ernment, which under Budget 2019, grant-ed incentives such as stamp-duty waiver



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# LIAM appoints Mark O'Dell

as first CEO

KUALA LUMPUR: The Life Insurance Association of Malaysia (LIAM) has appointed Mark O'Dell as its first chief executive officer (CEO), effective Wednesday.

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A permanent resident of Ma-sia, O'Del, who has ever 38 an of experience in the Ide insurance business, recently regred from Manually insurance Bhd as its CBO on Oct 30, 2018, after helming the position for five years.

In a statement on Wednesday. LIAM President Anusha Thavarajah said O'Delfs appointment simud to further underscore the association's strong commitment. to taking on the responsibilities

and new challenges in transformby the life insurance industry to greater heights.

"With a full-time CEO who brings with him a wealth of industry experience and ex-pertise, LIAM, will be better placed to accelerate our national aspiration of increasing the penetration rate of life insurance, reducing the protection gap and improving customer satisfaction levels.

"Most importantly, LIAM would be able to play an influential role to support nation building and improving the quality of life of Malaysians," she said.-Bernama



The Seminar covered a wide range of current issues which were very timely to the life insurance industry. These issues include Fintech, Big Data, Cyber risk, infrastructure investment, and aging society, ICS, IFRS17, healthcare and micro-insurance.

About 80 participants from LIAM member companies including representatives from four departments from BNM namely the Insurance Development Department, Prudential Financial Policy Department, Insurance and Takaful Supervision Department and Consumer & Market Conduct Department attended the informative Seminar.

OLIS team also paid a courtesy visit to LIAM's office a day after the Seminar, on 23 January 2019 as well as visits to MII and Great Eastern Life Assurance (M) Berhad.







# 23<sup>rd</sup> National Chinese Life Insurance Congress

LIAM Management Committee, Loh Guat Lan represented LIAM and officiated the opening ceremony of the 23<sup>rd</sup> National Chinese Life Insurance Congress held on 14 April 2019 at Genting International Convention Centre, First World Hotel. She also delivered the opening speech at the 3-day conference, held from 14 to 16 April 2019 and attended by over 3,000 participants.

The Conference served as an effective learning platform for life insurance professionals to pick up new ideas, experiences and knowledge from the learned speakers. High achievers were also honoured and received their awards in the respective categories namely 28<sup>th</sup> Top Manager Award, 17<sup>th</sup> National Advisers award and 10<sup>th</sup> Junior Advisers Award.





# LIAM Participates in Insurance Fraud Seminar

LIAM participated in the Insurance Fraud Seminar organised by Judicial and Legal Training Institute (ILKAP) of the Prime Minister's Department on 23 April 2019.

LIAM was represented by Yang Berbahagia Datin Veronica Selvanayagy of AIA Bhd. who spoke about insurance fraud offense, detection of fraud claims and its impact and fraud cases investigations during the first session. The Forum session in the afternoon was on the topic "Need to Reform the Laws to Meet the Current Challenges?". It featured a panellist, Farid bin Daud from Farid Law Office, Advocates & Solicitors, representatives from PIAM and LIAM, Ruhaizad bin Hambari of Syarikat Takaful Malaysia Am Berhad and Helen Quat Li Huang of Great Eastern Life Assurance (Malaysia) Berhad. The closed-door seminar was attended by about 30 participants.





# LIAM CEO, Mark O'Dell speaks at the Certified International Pension and Retirement Professional (CIPRP) 2019

On 7 August 2019, LIAM took part as a guest speaker in the Certified International Pension and Retirement Professional (CIPRP) 2019 Programme organised by the Social Wellbeing Research Centre (SWRC) at EPF Learning Centre, Bangi.

The event was a closed-door programme for three days held from 5 to 8 August 2019. It was a collaborative effort between the SWRC, the Employees Provident Fund Malaysia (EPF) and the International Training Centre of the International Labour Organization (ITCILO), Turin, Italy.

LIAM was represented by its Chief Executive Officer, Mark O'Dell, who shared a slide presentation on old age protection and health planning as well as long term care.

### LIAM supports Malaysia Financial Services Industry Conference 2019

LIAM also supported the Malaysia Financial Services Industry Conference 2019 organised by Deloitte on 24 July 2019. This conference brought together market leaders and industry experts to explore and discuss on the evolving and expanding landscape of the financial services industry. LIAM Chief Executive Officer, Mark O'Dell, a panellist at the Conference, gave a talk titled, "The future of Insurance" during the discussion session on "Reimagine the Financial Services Industry of 2030" which was moderated by Anthony Tai from Financial Services Industry Leader, Deloitte Malaysia.





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### 12th ASEAN Insurance Congress

LIAM Chief Executive Officer, Mark O'Dell, was one of the panellists for the session on "Setting the Stage – The ASEAN Insurance Market Outlook for 2020: Predictions and Priorities" at the 12<sup>th</sup> ASEAN Insurance Congress, held at the Patra Bali Resorts and Villa in Bali, Indonesia on 1 and 2 October 2019.

Organised by the ASEAN Insurance Training and Research Institute (AITRI) under the auspices of the ASEAN Insurance Council (AIC), the congress saw a gathering of about 90 participants comprising insurers, reinsurers, brokers, loss adjusters, insurance regulators as well as service providers to the insurance industry such as legal, compliance and audit from around ASEAN and the Asia Pacific region.

With the theme 'Supercharging the Future of Insurance Through Innovation', the topics of discussions and presentations included regulatory reforms, insurtech, technological influences and capacity building efforts, trends and developments in distribution, underwriting, microinsurance and Takaful. LIAM is one of the supporting organisations of this congress.



# **45<sup>th</sup> ASEAN Insurance Council Meeting**

The 45<sup>th</sup> ASEAN Insurance Council (AIC) meeting was held in Nay Pyi Taw, Myanmar from 25 to 29 November 2019. The AIC is an organisation under ASEAN which comprises insurance associations from the ASEAN countries. It was established to foster ties and cooperation among the ASEAN insurers and the annual Council meeting is held once a year in a designated ASEAN country.

Since its establishment, the AIC meeting has proven to be an excellent platform for insurers to share and exchange views on current issues facing the insurance industry. Among the issues discussed at the meeting in Nay Pyi Taw include rising medical cost inflation, preparation for the implementation of IFRS17 and incentives to increase penetration rate.











### **Agent Professionalism Workshop**

In an effort to boost the professionalism of the agent workforce, LIAM and MTA jointly organised a workshop. The agenda was to create a draft framework on how to enhance agents' professionalism. This was held on 9 December 2019 at Sasana Kijang, Kuala Lumpur. The discussion at the event also focussed on four key areas:

- How to recruit more full-time professional agents?
- How to drive best practices for agency development by insurance/ takaful companies at the agency level?
- Review of current Continuing Professional Development (CPD) programmes to identify gaps and to set new benchmarks
- Development of competency of agents through certification/ accreditation programmes

Among the 40 participants were Training Department Heads from LIAM and MTA member companies and also representatives from MII, NAMLIFA, Consumer and Market Conduct Department of BNM, Insurance Development Department of BNM and Finance Accreditation Agency.

The one-day workshop was facilitated by James McCulloch and Faz Kamaruddin of Inspire Group Asia. A follow up discussion is planned for January and February 2020. The target is to present a final plan to the Management Committee of LIAM and MTA by the end of the first quarter of 2020.









### Talk on the 13th Fee Schedule

On 18 December 2018, LIAM organised a talk by the Ministry of Health (MOH) on the Nota-Nota 13<sup>th</sup> Fee Schedule, with the objective of obtaining feedback from the industry on the proposed amendment to the 13th Fee Schedule by MOH. The briefing was attended by about 55 participants from member companies of LIAM, PIAM and MTA.

Subsequently, the Joint Technical Committee arranged a talk for MOH to brief the industry on the amendments made to the 13<sup>th</sup> Fee Schedule. This talk was held on 10 December 2019 and attended by member companies of LIAM, PIAM, MTA and the Managed Care Organizations who were engaged by insurers to manage their medical insurance claims.

The talk which focused on the amendments made to the 13<sup>th</sup> Fee Schedule was led by Dr Harshinderjeet Singh A/L Jeswant Singh, Senior Principal Assistant Director, Medical Practices Division of MOH.

#### REPORT OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

### **COURTESY VISIT BY FOREIGN COUNTERPARTS**

In 2019, LIAM hosted a number of courtesy visits from several foreign counterparts. This include the visits from Ministry of Japan, Ministry of Finance, Bangladesh, The Nippon Life Asia, China Life and China Life Re, Dai Ichi Life Insurance Company and Meiji Yasuda Asia.

### Courtesy Visit by Ministry of Finance, Japan

On 3 April 2019, representatives from Ministry of Finance, Japan paid a Courtesy Visit to LIAM's office. The delegates met with LIAM Vice-President, Rangam Bir who was accompanied by Toi See Jong, LIAM Management Committee and LIAM Chief Executive Officer, Mark O'Dell. During the visit, LIAM shared the current state of the life insurance industry, regulations in place and the type of dominant insurance products leading in Malaysia's market.



### Courtesy Visit by Ministry of Finance, Bangladesh

On 14 May 2019, LIAM shared its role and functions with representatives from Ministry of Finance, Bangladesh at Sasana Kijang, Bank Negara Malaysia during their study visit to Malaysia from 13 -16 May 2019.

The aim of the visit was to learn from the Malaysian experience on insurance development, as well as to strengthen institutional capacity of the regulator and state-owned insurance corporations and increase the insurance coverage in Bangladesh. The delegation also had the opportunity to visit two LIAM member companies namely AIA Bhd. and Great Eastern Life Assurance (Malaysia) Berhad to get to know more about life insurance companies' operations in Malaysia.





### **Courtesy Visit by Nippon Life**

On 5 September 2019, LIAM hosted another courtesy visit by the Nippon Life Asia Pacific at LIAM's office. Nippon Life was represented by its Executive Vice President, Takayuki Murai and Vice President, Maria Oura. They had the opportunity to share about their upcoming international conference named Global Life Insurance Executive Seminar 2019 scheduled on 24 to 29 November 2019.



### **Courtesy Visit by China Life and China Life Re**

On 12 September 2019, LIAM received a delegation of eight senior officers from China Life and China Life Re who were on their Study Visit to Malaysian Life Re. Mark O'Dell, LIAM Chief Executive Officer, presented an overview of life insurance market and the latest industry's developments to the delegation. The visit from China Life Re / China Life is a result of higher level of efforts to promote greater economic cooperation between China and Malaysia.

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### **Courtesy Visits by Dai Ichi Life Insurance Company and Meiji** Yasuda Asia

On 8 August 2019, LIAM hosted a group of 15 staff from Dai-Ichi Life Insurance Company, Japan who were attending a training at TAR University College, Kuala Lumpur. LIAM Chief Executive Officer, Mark O'Dell shared industry updates and answered queries from the staff on life insurance industry. It was a productive session as the staff had obtained a lot of information on market structure, dominant products in the industry, the role and functions of LIAM, its activities as well as issues and challenges faced by the industry.

LIAM also hosted another courtesy visit by a group of officials from Meiji Yasuda Asia on 31 July 2019. During the session, LIAM had the opportunity to share the market structure, issues and challenges faced by the industry.





#### REPORT OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

### Goodwill Visit by Inland Revenue Board of Malaysia (LHDN)

On 8 August 2019, a group of officers from the Special Industry Branch of Inland Revenue Board of Malaysia (LHDN) visited LIAM to introduce its Special Program for Voluntary Disclosure. The session was also joined by representatives from member companies who took the opportunity to obtain feedback on tax matters directly from LHDN officers.





### **OTHER EVENTS**





### **KL World Heart Day**

On 29 September 2019, LIAM supported the KL World Heart Day organized by Asia World Event in collaboration with Yayasan Jantung Negara at KL Jazz and Arts Centre, Wisma YPR, Seputeh, Kuala Lumpur. Themed, "Go Red for Women", the KL World Heart Day was organised in conjunction with the international heart awareness campaign dedicated to the prevention, diagnosis and control of cardiovascular disease among Women.

The event was attended by YBhg Dato' Professor Sulaiman Osman, Vice President, Yayasan Jantung Malaysia, and YBhg Datuk Baharin Idris Director, General Department of National Unity and Integration, Prime Minister's Department.

The event which attracted over 100 city folks exposed participants to the importance of maintaining a healthy lifestyle in their daily activities. Participants had the opportunity to involve in various activities including health screenings, health forum, Zumba exercise and arts exhibition.

# **Appreciation Dinner for LIAM Past President**

LIAM hosted an appreciation dinner for its Past President, Anusha Thavarajah at the Marble 8 Restaurant, KLCC on 10 October 2019. The event was attended by Chief Executive Officers and senior management staff of LIAM member companies.

Anusha Thavarajah had stepped down as President, as she has taken on the role of Chief Executive Officer, Life & Health for Allianz Asia Pacific at the end of 2019.

As the first female President in the 44-year history of LIAM, Anusha succeeded Toi See Jong who completed his three-year term as LIAM President in March 2018. In August 2019, LIAM appointed Loh Guat Lan, Chief Executive Officer of Hong Leong Assurance Berhad as the new President to take over the helm at LIAM.





#### REPORT OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

### Year-End Cocktail for LIAM CEOs

LIAM hosted a Year-End Cocktail for its Chief Executive Officers and senior management team at Vertigo @ Banyan Tree Hotel on 10 December 2019.

The year-end gathering was organised to foster closer relationship and to further enhance the spirit of camaraderie among the industry's captains in working together to achieve the industry's goals and aspirations.







### **CONCLUSION**

LIAM would like to thank all member companies for their unwavering support towards the Association's initiatives and activities throughout the year. We look forward to the members' continuous support as we take on greater challenges to further develop a progressive life insurance industry. We continue to serve the needs of the consumers and contribute to the country's economy.

#### **Life Insurance Business**

The Life Insurance Association of Malaysia (LIAM) continued to record an encouraging growth in 2019, registering New Business Total Premiums of RM11.8 billion, an increase of 14.19% compared to RM10.3 billion in 2018. Traditional business, Investment-linked and Group business recorded strong growth at 30.12%, 11.05% and 10.79% respectively.

The healthy performance of the life insurance industry reflects the increase in awareness among consumers on the importance of life insurance protection.

#### **New Business – Total Premiums**

Total Premium RM Million		January to December			
	2018	2019	Growth		
Traditional	2,208	2,873	30.12		
Investment-Linked	4,569	5,073	11.05		
Annuity	99	21	-78.82		
Group	3,429	3,798	10.79		
Total	10,304	11,765	14.19		

New policies issued in 2019 recorded an increase of 6.22% from 1,238,249 policies in 2018 to 1,315,233 policies in 2019. Investment-linked policies continued to be a popular product in 2019.

#### **New Business - Number of Policies**

Туре	2018	2019	Difference	Growth
Traditional	500,051	514,982	14,931	2.99
Investment-Linked	716,813	780,467	63,654	8.88
Annuity	2,854	1,277	-1,577	-55.26
Group	18,531	18,507	-24	-0.13
Total	1,238,249	1,315,233	76,984	6.22

New business sum assured increased by 6.91% to RM483.4 billion in 2019 compared to RM452.1 billion in 2018.

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#### **New Business - Sum Assured**

Туре				
RM Million	2018	2019	Difference	Growth
Traditional	18,886	21,418	2,532	13.41
Investment-Linked	148,432	146,954	-1,479	-1.00
Annuity	30	13	-17	-55.45
Group Policies	284,753	314,972	30,219	10.61
Total	452,102	483,357	31,256	6.91

<sup>&</sup>quot;The average sum assured for Individual Policy category (excluding Group Insurance) reached RM130,000 per policyholder. This means that each policyholder will have an average life insurance protection of RM130,000 to take care of their family in the event of a loss of the breadwinner.

However, this level of protection is still not adequate and there is a wide protection gap in terms of insurance coverage needed. Based on a study conducted by Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia and LIAM in 2013, it is estimated that a family of five would need at least RM550,000 to meet their living expenses over the next 5 years, in the event of a loss of the breadwinner," said Loh Guat Lan, President of LIAM.

The total in force premiums rose by 7.39% to reach RM36.9 billion from RM34.4 billion in 2018. The growth was mainly contributed by Investment-Linked Business and Employee Benefit Scheme under Group business.

#### **In Force Premiums**

	January to December			
RM Million	2018	2019	Growth	
Traditional	15,836	15,803	-0.21	
Investment-Linked	18,207	20,703	13.71	
Group	351	430	22.80	
Total	34,394	36,937	7.39	

The total number of policies registered for the whole industry rose marginally at 0.60% from 12.67 million policies in 2018 to 12.74 million policies in 2019.

The number of lives covered under group policies grew by 1% to almost 10.2 million lives as compared to 10.1 million lives in 2018.

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#### **Number of Policies in Force**

Туре	2018	2019	Difference	Growth
Traditional	7,315,971	7,018,922	-297,049	-4.06
Investment-Linked	5,229,634	5,605,477	375,843	7.19
Annuity	95,334	92,398	-2,936	-3.08
Group Policies	26,098 (10,132,398 lives)	26,521 (10,228,145 lives)	423	1.62
Total	12,667,037	12,743,318	76,281	0.60

The total sum assured in force increased to over RM1.63 trillion, an increase of 7.83% as compared to RM1.51 trillion in 2018.

#### **Sum Assured In Force**

Туре				
RM Million	2018	2019	Difference	Growth
Traditional	330,027	326,766	-3,261	-0.99
Investment-Linked	623,218	702,337	79,119	12.70
Annuity	422	414	-7	-1.68
Group Policies	556,297	598,622	42,324	7.61
Total	1,509,964	1,628,139	118,175	7.83

The total claims payout in 2019 increased by 10.19% to RM11.9 billion as compared with RM10.8 billion in 2018.

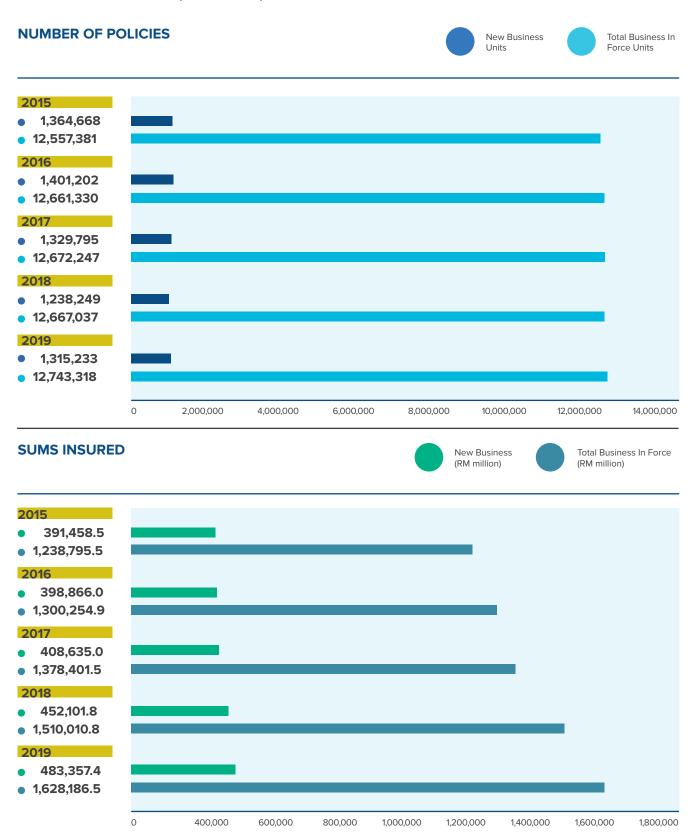
"Payment for medical and health insurance is the highest claims category at 41% of all claims paid. This amount has increased 20.82% in 2019, reflecting strong contribution by life insurers towards the medical treatment and healthcare needs of the nation," explained Mark O'Dell, Chief Executive Officer of LIAM.

#### **Claims Payout**

Benefit	2018	2019	Difference	Growth
Death	1,422,474,881	1,518,538,660	96,063,779	6.75
Disability	121,945,710	112,575,767	(9,369,943)	-7.68
Medical	4,088,416,357	4,939,645,443	851,229,086	20.82
Bonuses	3,675,023,537	3,644,139,331	(30,884,206)	-0.84
Others	1,523,663,948	1,720,410,364	196,746,416	12.91
Total	10,831,524,433	11,935,309,565	1,103,785,132	10.19

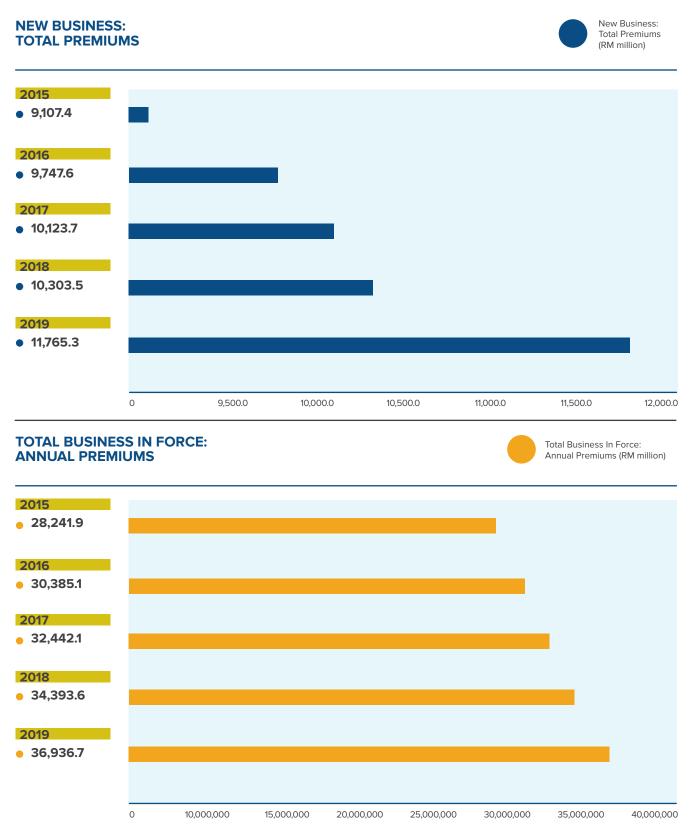
On the outlook for 2020, given the uncertainties faced by the global and local economies partly due to the COVID-19 outbreak, counter-balanced by the strong resilience of life insurance industry and the low insurance penetration rate in Malaysia, it is expected that the industry will achieve a high single digit growth.

#### Life Insurance Business (2015 - 2019)



Source: Bank Negara Malaysia - Monthly Highlights and Statistics January 2020

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#### Life Insurance Business (2015 - 2019)







#### 2018 RM million

Premium income

34,833.9

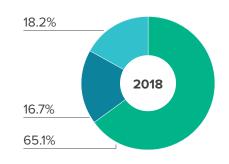
**INCOME** 

Net investment income

9,742.1

Profit on sale of assets and miscellaneous income

8,952.8





**TOTAL: 53,528.8 Million** 

#### 2019 RM million

Premium income

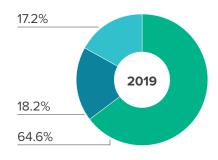
Net investment income

Profit on sale of assets and miscellaneous income

37,650.5

10,011.5

10,596.3





**TOTAL: 58,258.3 Million** 





Net policy benefits



Agency remuneration



Management expenses



Loss on disposal of assets and other outgo

#### 2018 RM million

Net policy benefits 23.567.3 Agency remuneration

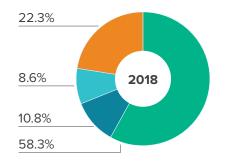
4,381.3

Management expenses

3.477.0

Loss on disposal of assets and other outgo

8.995.8



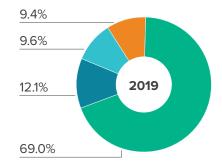
**TOTAL: 40,421.4 Million** 

#### 2019 RM million

Net policy benefits

Agency remuneration Management expenses

Loss on disposal of assets and other outgo



25,934.5

4,550.6

3,593.6

3,518.6



**TOTAL: 37,597.4 Million** 

#### Life Insurance Business (2015 - 2019)

# ASSETS OF LIFE INSURANCE FUNDS

Property, Plant and EquipmentLoans

Investments

- Investment PropertiesCash and Deposits
- Other Assets
  Foreign Assets

2018 RM million

#### Loans

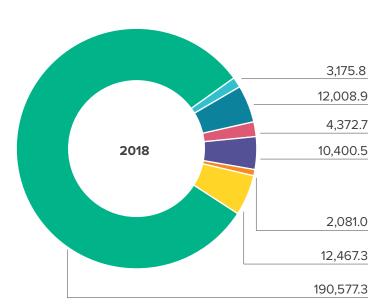
- Mortgages
- Policy
- Others

#### Investments

- Malaysia Government papers/ guaranteed loans
- · Corporate/debt securities
- Others



**TOTAL: 235,083.5 Million** 



#### 2019 RM million

#### Loans

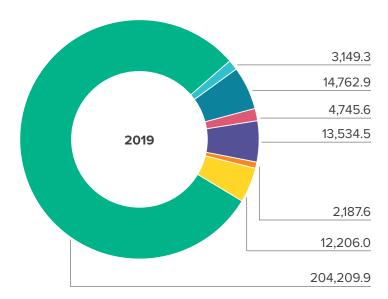
- Mortgages
- Policy
- Others

#### Investments

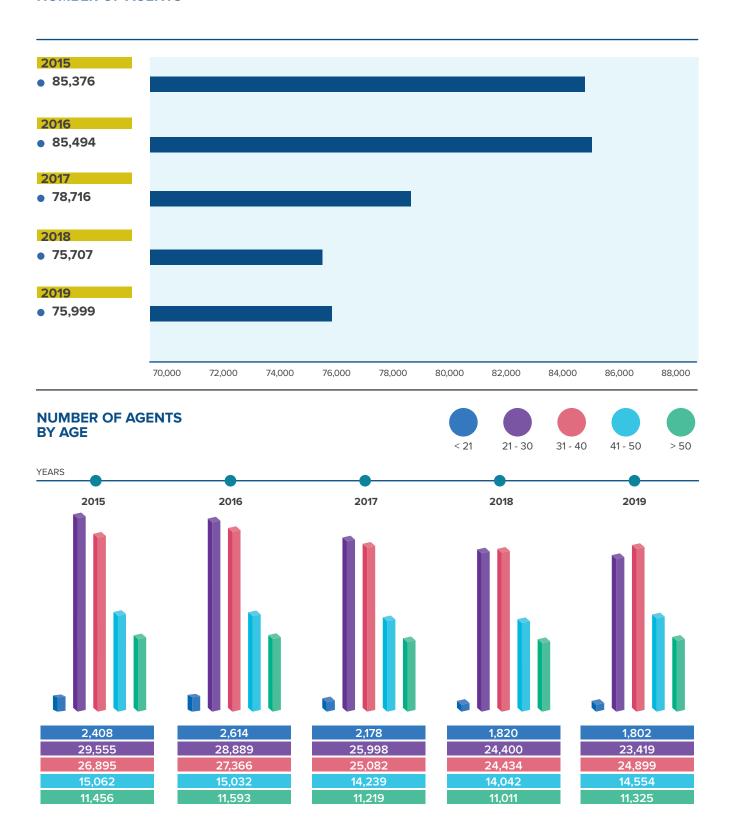
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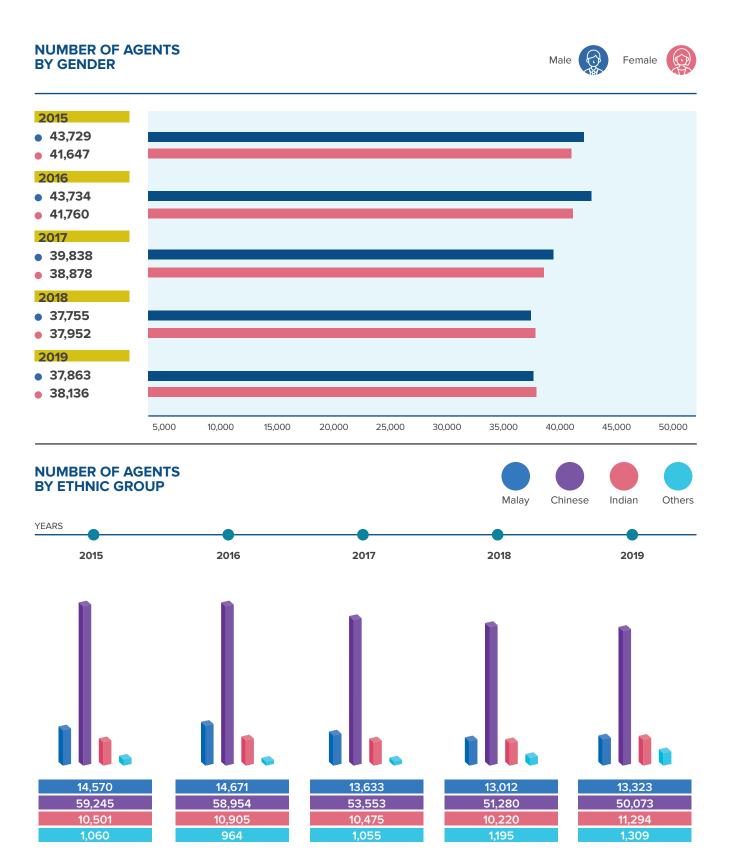


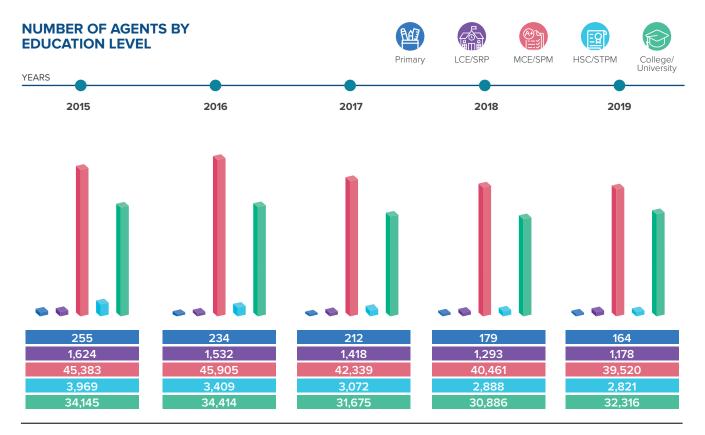
TOTAL: 254,795.6 Million



#### **NUMBER OF AGENTS**







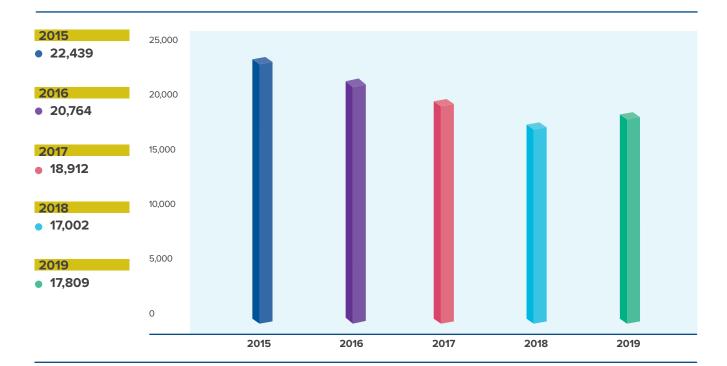
# DISTRIBUTION OF AGENTS BY STATES (JANUARY-DECEMBER 2019)



**TOTAL: 75,999** 



## NUMBER OF BANK STAFF SELLING LIFE INSURANCE



### LIAM MEMBERS WITH BANCASSURANCE TIE-UPS:





Source: Life Insurance Association of Malaysia (LIAM)

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**MCIS** Insurance Berhad

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#### 1974



#### 1974 - 1980

#### The late YBhg. Dato' N.A. Kularajah

Malaysian Cooperative Insurance Society (currently known as MCIS Insurance Berhad)

#### 1980 - 1984

#### **Goh Cheong Hua**

The Asia Life Assurance Society Ltd (currently known as Tokio Marine Life Insurance Malaysia Bhd.)

#### 1984 - 1986

#### **Steve Wong**

British American (Malaysia) Insurance Bhd (currently known as Manulife Insurance Berhad)

#### 1986 - 1989

#### **Amarudin Tajuldin**

Arab-Malaysian Eagle Assurance Bhd (currently known as AmMetLife Insurance Berhad)

#### 1989 - 1990

#### Hashim Ismail

American International Assurance Co. Ltd. (currently known as AIA Bhd.)

#### 1990 - 1993

#### YBhg. Dato' Annuar Senawi

Malaysia National Insurance Sdn Bhd (currently known as Etiqa Life Insurance Berhad)

#### 2006 - 2009

#### Ng Lian Lu

AmAssurance Berhad (currently known as AmMetLife Insurance Berhad)

#### 2004 - 2006

#### **Ezamshah Ismail**

Commerce Life Assurance Bhd (currently known as Sun Life Malaysia Assurance Berhad)

#### 2002 - 2004

#### K. H. Chia

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#### 1999 - 2002

#### YBhg. Datuk L. Meyyappan

MCIS Insurance Berhad

#### 1996 - 1999

#### **Ezamshah Ismail**

American Malaysian Life Assurance Sdn Bhd (currently known as Sun Life Malaysia Assurance Berhad)

#### 1993 - 1996

#### Alex Foong Soo Hah

British American Life Insurance Bhd (currently known as Manulife Insurance Berhad)

#### 2009 - 2011

#### Allahyarham Md Adnan

#### Md Zain

MCIS Zurich Insurance Berhad (currently known as MCIS Insurance Berhad)

#### 2011 - 2012

#### **Mohd Din Merican**

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#### 2012 - 2015

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#### 2015 - 2018

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#### 2018 - 2019

#### Anusha Thavarajah

AIA Bhd.

#### 2019

#### Loh Guat Lan

Hong Leong Assurance Berhad



2019

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  Mark O'Dell
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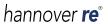


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