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TENGGU FARITH RITHAUDEEN is the Group CEO and Co-Founder of SKALI Group. He graduated from Carleton University, Ottawa, Canada in 1992 with a Bachelor of Arts (Economics) degree. He began his career in 1993 with CIMB in the Corporate Finance Division and subsequently joined Road Builder (M) Holdings Berhad in 1994. He was a Member of the Venture Capital Consultative Council, Presidential Advisor to Malay Chamber of Commerce and the National Information Technology Council (NITC). He was nominated as one of the World Economic Forum's 100 Global Leaders for Tomorrow in 2002, the first recipient of the Young Entrepreneurs Award by the Malay Chamber of Commerce in 2004 and was recently awarded the Eisenhower Fellowship by the Eisenhower Foundation, USA in 2007.

ASHRAN DATO' GHAZI, or simply known as Ashran, is a man of multiple hats. Like many other entrepreneurs, he has gone through the ups and downs of business ventures and he is now a known figure in the entrepreneurship ecosystem. This is embodied in the many organisations that he used to represent which includes Chairman, New Entrepreneurs Foundation (myNEF); Chairman, myHarapan; President, Malaysian Association of Bumiputera ICT Industry & Entrepreneurs (NEF); and Deputy Chairman, Global Innovation & Entrepreneurship Foundation. In addition, Ashran also served as an Advisory Board Member to Malaysian SME Development Academy (MASMED) as well as a Board Member for SME Corp.

As a Petronas scholar, Ashran's career started out in the Oil & Gas sector with Petronas MITCO. After which, he made a move into the construction industry before embarking on his entrepreneurial journey in early 2000. Over the years, Ashran have been involved in various fields, which culminated in the establishment of Asiastream Group, a company that focuses in technology, communications/media and human capital development.

In 2011, Ashran also co-founded another start-up called Joota that was networking by connecting people around content. It was able to garner private investments of USD 2.1 million, with patent and distribution partners in the USA. Besides his direct ventures, Ashran also served as Advisor, Mentor, Board Member and Chairman to a few other companies, which includes venture builders, accelerators, and start-ups.

Ashran's journey, thus far, can be described as one that has been fuelled by passion of always wanting to challenge the status quo for positive impact. He does not like to do anything that is deemed normal which is evident from the many firsts that he has introduced or initiated either from a social or business aspects. His more recent new initiative includes creating an accelerator for the creative sector via comics - ComicXcel and a new ASEAN regional award for start-ups – Rice Bowl Start-up Awards. In addition, Ashran was entrusted to curate BAHTERA – Bumipreneurs of Tomorrow, an initiative by Ministry of Finance, which was successful in bringing in various communities, agencies, and private sectors on board. Ashran became the icon of start-ups in South East Asia when he was appointed as the CEO of Malaysian Global Innovation & Creativity Centre (MaGIC) in May 2016, whereby he led MaGIC into its next wave of inclusive and exponential entrepreneurship ecosystem development and activated and realized value creation of USD100mil. Now, as the CEO of Dattel, Ashran is committed to spearhead the realisation of Consumer Intelligence across South East Asia.

NG YAU CHUAN is a strong believer in the power of the Internet Economy, and has consulted for multiple industries across Ecommerce, Telco, Travel, and FMCG. He is currently an Industry Manager at Google Malaysia, where he helps Malaysian companies to navigate the challenges of an increasingly complex but exciting digital world. This is crucial because the products, services, and consumers of today will look completely different tomorrow. The digital transformation journey starts when we equip ourselves with the right tools and mindsets and he is looking forward to sharing his experience.

MICHELE KYTHE LIM, brings with her leadership and advisory experience on a wide spectrum of corporate governance and boardroom matters that includes board, committees and director effectiveness evaluation, competency development needs, remuneration and succession planning, legal and compliance, and corporate performance. Her passion in developing high-performing people has been the driving force in making her a forward-looking leader in the corporate sector.

Michele was Group Head, Corporate Secretarial and General Counsel for the last five years with IHH Healthcare Berhad, one of the largest listed healthcare providers globally. She oversaw legal, corporate secretarial and governance functions across several jurisdictions such as Singapore, Turkey, India, Asia Pacific, North Asia and the CEEMENA region while keeping watch on local matters.

Some of the key areas she was instrumental on includes mergers and acquisitions, takeovers, joint ventures, corporate schemes, and operational matters. She was also on the Board of Directors on a subsidiary board and Chief Sustainability Officer in charge of sustainability reporting and practices for the Group.

Prior to IHH, Michele spent six years from 2006 to 2012 at Malaysia's national car manufacturer Proton Holdings Bhd where she held various positions in the Group Legal division, including Chief Legal Counsel. She was also board member of several Proton Holdings Berhad local and foreign subsidiaries and associated companies, member of the Group Management Committee, Management Audit Committee, Group Risk Management Committee, various project steering committees and task forces.

Upon leaving legal practice at Shook Lin & Bok where she specialised in the areas of banking, commercial/corporate, land and tort, Michele joined Pengurusan Danaharta Nasional Bhd in 1998 until 2005 as Assistant General Manager in its Legal Affairs and Risk Division. Here she oversaw negotiations in project conception, acquisitions of syndicated/bilateral domestic and foreign loans, club deals, share sale agreements, and risk participation agreements.

Michele holds a LLB Hons degree from the University of Wales, Aberystwyth, UK (1991) and is a Barrister-at-Law at Middle Temple, London, England. She has been an advocate and solicitor of the High Court of Malaya since October 1993. She completed the Senior Management Development Programme of Harvard Business School in 2009, Professionalism in Directorship Programme by Malaysian Alliance of Corporate Directors (MACD) in 2012 and the NAM Institute for the Empowerment of Women (NIEW) Women Directors' Training Programme in 2014. Michele is also a licensed company secretary.

DATIN SUNITA MEI-LIN RAJAKUMAR is a professional independent director and a strong advocate of the importance of governance in general and risk management in particular. She is currently Chairperson of Bursa-listed Caring Pharmacy and independent director of Dutch Lady Milk Industries, MCIS Insurance and Zurich General Insurance. She recently founded the Malaysia Chapter of World Economic Forum's Climate Governance Initiative, the first in Asia and second in the world, and was appointed to the Global Advisory Board of Nottingham University's School of Business.

Her legal degree from the University of Bristol and professional qualification as a Chartered Accountant (England & Wales), led on to a career in investment banking. After 6 years in investment banking, she was invited by the Ministry of Finance to manage the first government-owned foreign technology venture capital fund. She has also advised on national innovation ecosystems.

She is also a staunch proponent of the importance of creativity and imagination in building cohesive societies and for individuals to fulfil their potential. She is the festival director of the annual DiverseCity: KL International Arts Festival where multiple opportunities are provided to the special needs and lesser-privileged to participate in the performing arts.

DALI SARDAR is an Ex-Citibanker in KL/NY, several terms as MVCA Chairman and former advisors to Uber (SE Asia) & Thelorry.com (ala Uber 4 trucks). Currently advisor to Socar (car sharing/rental), Beam (e-scooters rental app), Rage Coffee (ala LK Coffee, China) and Tillata Concept (fashion sharing/rental platform). He sits on several board including as independent director for Chuan Huat Resources Bhd and Maybank Islamic Bhd.

M NAZRI MUHD, specialises in AI and cognitive analytics, having spent more than two decades as a practitioner in these fields. He currently heads a venture builder company and is currently the Founder/Group CEO of one of the award-winning tech companies, called MyFinB. Nazri successfully led the Group to be named Asia-Pacific's Top 25 Hottest Fintech Companies in Asia Pacific and Top 30 Globally Most Attractive Companies, awarded by APAC CIO Outlook and The Silicon Review respectively in 2018.

Nazri was recently named by Islamica500 as one of the world's top 500 prominent and influential personalities in the Islamic world and economy (A.I./Fintech category). Nazri was also awarded the Young Business Leader Award in 2010 (APAC) by the Ministry of International Trade and Industry for adopting innovative business models in his businesses. Prior to his entrepreneurial journey, Nazri was part of the investment and research team of major asset management groups like Citigroup and Prudential and an international ratings agency (Fitch Ratings), covering financial institutions in Asia.

Regarded as one of the early pioneers to deploy AI-based analytics in Asia-Pacific, Nazri plays a leading role in the digital transformation for the financial sector and SME development in the region. He is also a regular contributor on A.I.-related topics in The Malaysian Business magazine, made various media appearances and spoke on the topic in various parts of Europe, Asia, Africa and Middle East.

Nazri has an MBA from University of Western Australia and a bachelor's degree in accountancy and economics from the University of Queensland, Australia.

PANKAJKUMAR BIPINCHANDRA, graduated with Bachelor of Accounting with an Honors degree from University of Malaya in 1990 and in 2014 also obtained an MBA in Finance from the same University. His last held position was as Director, Head of Corporate Strategy & Investments at KSK Group Berhad, a position he has held for the since Oct 2012 and up to early June of 2018. Prior to this, he was the Chief Investment Officer at Kurnia Insurans Malaysia Berhad between 2005 and 2012. In his previous position, he had joined OSK Research in 1996 and rose rank and file to assume the position as Head of Research in 2002 and up to 2005. Pankaj is widely recognized in the industry as the thoughts behind the inaugural *“Top Malaysian Small Cap Companies: 100 Hidden Jewels”* in 2005. He is also well recognized in the market for his many contribution both in commentary as well as a weekly column in The Star. Pankaj also presently sits on the Board of Bluenumber Holdings Berhad as an Independent Non-Executive Director (INED) and conducts Continuous Professional Education (CPE) classes approved by the Securities Commission (SC) on topics related to Global and Malaysian Economy and Market Strategy; Investment Research; Corporate Governance; Derivatives & ETF; and Ethics.

CHEW PHYE KEAT has been practising corporate law in the firm of Raja, Darryl & Loh for over 32 years. He is a graduate of the law faculty of Universiti Malaya with a Bachelor of Laws (LLB) and Master in Laws (LLM). He also specialises in competition law, intellectual property law and more recently corporate liability under the recent amendments to the MACC Act.

CHRISTINA FOO has over 33 years in public practice in accounting, tax, strategic & business advisory in Ernst & Young and Priority One Consultancy Services Sdn Bhd. She is also actively involvement in contributing her service to growing and promoting the interests of her accountancy profession with regulators, educators, the business community and the public, and serving on public interest entity boards in Malaysia and internationally.

Her current positions served includes board director of KPJ Healthcare Bhd, UEM Sunrise Bhd, Malaysian Technology Development Corporation (MTDC), Senior Practice Fellow Sunway University and Chairman, The Mines Resort and Golf Club’s Liaison Committee. She graduated in Bachelor of Business Studies (Accounting) of Deakin University, Australia.

PROF DR SYED ABDUL HAMID ALJUNID is the President of MAICSA, having been elected to the position in July 2018. He was first elected to the MAICSA Council in 2009 and has held diverse portfolios on Council from 2009 to 2011, including Honorary Treasurer and Vice President. He was re-elected to Council in 2015 and held the position of Vice President from July 2016 till July 2018.

Prof Dr Syed Abdul Hamid Aljunid obtained his PhD in 1980 from the University of Wisconsin USA and has served in different Universities in various administrative capacities. He is currently a faculty member of the International centre for Education in Islamic Finance (INCEIF). He joined INCEIF in April 2007. Prior to joining INCEIF, he was the Deputy President from March 1999 - May 2007 and the President of University Tun Abdul Razak from June 2005 - February 2007.

Prior to that he has served as Dean of Faculty of Economics (1989 - 1996) and Director of Management Centre (1995 - 1998) at the International Islamic University Malaysia till 1998. His past involvement includes membership of Council and Chairmanship of Education, Examination and Exemption Committee for The Association of Chartered Islamic Finance Professionals (ACIFP) from 2009 to 2014. He has served as a member of the National

Advisory Council for Ministry of Domestic Trade for two (2) years since 2014. His areas of academic interest include - Economic Thought, Ethics and Economics, Business Ethics, Corporate Governance, Leadership and values.

AZNORASHIQ MOHAMED ZIN is currently the Director of Corporate Compliance Division (CCD) of the Suruhanjaya Syarikat Malaysia since 1st July 2017. He is leading a core division that is entrusted to raise the corporate compliance rate by encouraging good corporate governance values through a continuous awareness programs, effective surveillance and enforcement efforts.

Prior to his appointment in CCD, he was the Director of Registration Services Division (RSD) for more than 2 years starting from 15th of April 2015. His journey in SSM commenced with his major contribution as the Director of Investigation Division (ID) since 2nd April 2007. He was entrusted to turn around an investigation unit into a structured division by improving processes, elevate efficiency and thus carried out investigations for any offences committed under various laws of SSM's purview.

Further to his official duties in SSM, he has also been appointed by the MOF as a Council Member of the Malaysian Institute of Accountants (MIA) since 15th of October 2015. He also sits and is actively involved in various committees within MIA.

Prior to SSM, he was attached to the Securities Commission of Malaysia (SC) for 10 years under the Investigation Department of the SC as a Team Leader.

He is a Certified Fraud Examiner (CFE) obtained from the Association of Certified Fraud Examiner (ACFE) Austin Texas USA and a Chartered Accountant registered with the Malaysia Institute of Accountants (MIA). He holds a Master of Business Administration (MBA) specialized in Finance from Centre for Post-Graduate Studies, International Islamic University Malaysia (IIUM). He obtained his Bachelor of Accounting (Hons) from the same university. He also shares his knowledge & experience by providing series of coaching and trainings to several corporate & government law enforcement agencies all over Malaysia in the matters he is expert and specialized in.

DR SARAH AZLINA CHE ROHIM is currently the Deputy Director of Designated Non-Financial Businesses and Professions (DNFBP) Division, Financial Intelligence and Enforcement Department of Bank Negara Malaysia. The Division regulates and supervises the implementation/compliance with anti-money laundering and counter financing of terrorism (AML/CFT) requirements. She has been with Bank Negara Malaysia for 17 years and had served in various capacities in relation to policy formulation, strategic development, risk assessment and international relations. Among others, she was responsible for the formulation of Bank Negara Malaysia's AML/CFT Guidelines and the National AML/CFT Strategic Plan 2015-2020 under the National Coordination Committee to Counter Money Laundering. She was the national coordinator who was instrumental for the Malaysia's Mutual Evaluation by Financial Action Task Force (FATF) and Asia/Pacific Group on Money Laundering in 2014/2015 and a part of the team in securing Malaysia's membership to the FATF. She is also a FATF-trained mutual evaluation assessor and currently a part of an assessment team of a mutual evaluation.

She holds LL.B from the University of Lancaster, LL.M (International Financial Laws) and PhD in Law from the University of Manchester, United Kingdom.

LEONG OI WAH is a Fellow Member of the Malaysian Institute of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators (MAICSA) and has more than 20 years of experience in handling corporate secretarial matters in the profession and the corporate sector.

Oi Wah currently handles a portfolio of 12 listed companies ranging from Main Board to MESDAQ Market and is involved in advisory on corporate secretarial requirements including corporate restructuring and compliance with various regulatory bodies such as the Registrar of Companies, Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad (“Bursa Securities”), Securities Commission and other authorities.

Oi Wah has served on the Task Force set up by Bursa Securities on Corporate Disclosure Best Practices in developing a best practices handbook to assist and guide companies listed on Bursa Securities in meeting the continuous disclosure obligations under the Bursa Securities Listing Requirements and the securities laws.

Oi Wah has conducted training courses organized by COMTRAC, MAICSA, CPA Australia, Research Institute of Investment Analyst Malaysia, Securities Industry Development Centre and Asian Centre for Corporate Training.

DATO’ FARIS YAHAYA brings to ORANGEBEAM more than 25 years of experience in audit, banking, financial advisory and consultancy services. Faris leads ORANGEBEAM as the new ‘architect’ of the company, informed by his key learnings and past experiences in building ecosystems in the industry. Building on the foundation of company’s highly-technical and specialised offerings, Faris and his team will lead the way with a BOLD blueprint to disrupt the industry and build the future.

Faris was appointed as the Managing Director of a Ministry of Finance-owned company in 2013 to elevate Cyberjaya into a global tech hub and smart city. He currently sits as a Board member of PR1MA.

Faris holds a BSc. (Accounting & Financial Analysis) from the University of Warwick, United Kingdom and attended Bank Negara Malaysia’s Global Leadership Development Programme at Drucker School of Management in Claremont Graduate University, Haas School of Business in University of California Berkeley and Marshall School of Business in University of Southern California. He is also a member of the Malaysian Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the Malaysian Institute of Accountants.

NOOR AZMI MAT SAID is currently the Chief Executive Officer of SME Corporation Malaysia. He graduated from Universiti Teknologi Malaysia in Bachelor of Chemical Engineering with Honors in 1992. Previously, he was the founder and Principal Consultant of MYDATA Consulting Sendirian Berhad as a chemical engineering-based techno-commercial strategist qualified as Certified PROSCI® Change Management Practitioner, Certified Business Coach, ETRIA-Trained TRIZ Practitioner, Patent Drafter and Business Strategy Consultant.

He was a British Petroleum (BP) sponsored student and was trained in commercial project development by BP. He started his career with EXXON MOBIL and had undertaken roles in process engineering, short term planning, long term planning, project evaluation and economics, and investment appraisal. He joined Malaysian Technology Development Corporation (MTDC) as Manager in CEO Office in 1997 and left to venture entrepreneurship endeavour in 1999.

He had initiated several business start-ups and involved with multiple scale of Small Medium Enterprises (SME) in Product Development, Business Scale-Up, Manufacturing Set-Up, Operation Model, Business Model, Financial Model, Business Turnaround, Fund Structuring/Raising; and Venture Capital operation.

In 2009, as Associate of MIGHT, he structured and documented the blueprint for formation of A-Bio Sendirian Berhad (now known as VentureTech Sendirian Berhad). He was appointed as the member of Forest Research Institute Malaysia (FRIM)'s Research Advisory Council in 2017, and currently serves as Senior Associates to VentureTech; and Subject Matter Expert to both Technology Depository Agency Berhad (TDA), agency under the Ministry of Finance and MYBIOMASS Sendirian Berhad, a MIGHT-FGV-SIME DARBY JV entity for biomass venture.

With over 25 years of working experiences, Azmi had dealt with various size of organizations and undertaken various challenging tasks from strategic policy making to implementation plan and following execution dynamic especially in innovation ecosystem, regional development, project aggregation and business turnaround/growth.

AHMAD KHAIRUDDIN BIN ABDUL RAHIM is currently the Senior Executive Director, Strategic Planning & Development (Manufacturing & Services) of the Malaysian Investment Development Authority (MIDA), a Government agency that drives investments into the manufacturing and services sectors in Malaysia. His portfolio covers seven divisions namely: Strategic Planning & Policy Advocacy (Manufacturing), Investment Statistics, Advanced Technology & R&D, Strategic Planning & Policy Advocacy (Services), Business Services and Supply Chain Innovation, National Investment Secretariat and Incentive Coordination and Collaboration Office; and one Unit ie East Coast Rail Link (ECRL) Unit.

He holds a Masters Degree in International Business and started his career with MIDA in 1991. Since joining MIDA, he had served in several divisions and portfolios in MIDA from Resource-Based Industries Division, Planning, Research and International Cooperation Division, Industry Support Division, Manufacturing Related Services Division, Logistics and Regional Operations Division, Deputy Director of MIDA London, Director of MIDA Sydney, Director of Clean Technology and Environment Management Division, Executive Director of Investment Promotion and Executive Director of Manufacturing Development (Resource). He was also involved in various projects on industrial development, such as the formulation of the Third Industrial Master Plan, Green Technology Master Plan and the Eleventh Malaysia Plan (2016-2020) and Secretariat to the Malaysian Logistics Council and Industry Advisory Panel (IAP) for three (3) high potential growth industries namely Chemical & Advanced Materials, Medical Devices and Pharmaceuticals; which are among the prominent subsectors in Eleventh Malaysia Plan. Currently he is involved in the formulation of the Twelve Malaysia Plan (2020-2025).

DATO' SANI AB HAMID is the Deputy Chief Executive of National Financial Crime Centre.

NAZARUDDIN SHARAAI, Deputy Director, Malaysian Administrative Modernisation and Management Planning Unit (MAMPU).

MOHD RAZIN MUHAMMAD has been the Head of the Interest Schemes Section in Suruhanjaya Syarikat Malaysia (SSM) since middle of May 2013. Razin graduated from the National University of Malaysia (UKM) with an LLB (Hons) degree and began his career as an advocate and solicitor before leaving private practice to broaden his horizon and pursue different challenges in the corporate sector. Razin had served as an in-house legal counsel in several public listed companies where he gained vast experience in corporate legal matters.

NORHAIZA JEMON is Director of Regulatory and Legal Services Division of Suruhanjaya Syarikat Malaysia since October 2017.

Prior to her current position, Norhaiza served as Head of Law Reform, Section of the Corporate Development and Policy Division of SSM from October 2010. She is also the Project Manager for Dynamic Legal Framework under the Second Strategic Direction Plan of SSM, an initiative to create conducive business environment in Malaysia through the review of legislations under the purview of SSM. Under the project, SSM has implemented the Limited Liability Partnerships Act 2012, in 2013 as well on the new Companies Act 2016 and the Interest Schemes Act 2016 which were implemented on 31 January 2017.

She joined SSM since July 2004 and graduated with LLB (Hons) from Coventry University, United Kingdom.

AHMAD FARHAN SHARIFUDDIN is a Manager at the International Division, Financial Intelligence and Enforcement Department, Bank Negara Malaysia. He implements strategic dispensation of international obligations as a Financial Action Task Force (FATF), Asia/Pacific Group on Money Laundering (APG), Egmont Group and other international bodies' member which includes active participation in influencing international standards, provision of technical assistance and mutual evaluation advisory.

He has served BNM for 7 years in various capacities including financial investigating officer who investigated various offences under the legislations administered by Bank Negara Malaysia. He was also an anti-money laundering and counter financing of terrorism (AML/CFT) supervisor who oversight the effectiveness of supervision and enforcement of AML/CFT for the Designated Non-Financial Businesses & Professions (DNFBP) sector. He involved in various projects within Bank Negara Malaysia including among others, the publication of the annual Financial Stability and Payment System Report, preparation for the FATF/APG Mutual Evaluation of Malaysia 2014/15 and currently leading a project to assess ML/TF risks of legal arrangements in Malaysia.

He holds a Bachelor of Laws from the International Islamic University of Malaysia, where he was awarded BNM's scholarship to pursue the program.

ERIC KANG SHEW MENG is a fellow of the Institute of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators (ICSA). He holds a Master of Laws in International Business Law (with Distinction) from Staffordshire University and a Diploma in Commerce (Business Management).

Eric has more than thirty two (32) years of experience in company secretarial practice both in the profession and the corporate sector. He has served as a Group Company Secretary of a public listed company and at senior positions in corporate services firms. He handles a

portfolio of 25 listed companies and has involved in all major aspects of corporate activities including mergers and acquisitions, corporate reorganizations and take-overs, company listing and initial public offering, joint ventures, corporate reconstructions, capital reduction etc. Eric is also author of the *Handbook on Company Secretarial Practice in Malaysia* and several authoritative books on Malaysian company secretarial practice and related subjects. He was the speaker and presenter from 2001 to June 2009 for the module paper “Law, procedure and Proper Governance of General Meetings and the Rights, Duties, Powers of Shareholders” of the Mandatory Accreditation Program for directors of listed companies. Eric was a committee member of the Corporate Law Reform Committee (CLRC), a committee established by the Companies Commission of Malaysia to undertake a fundamental and comprehensive review of the existing legal and regulatory framework that affects corporations and business in Malaysia.

KHUZAIRI YAHAYA helms the Enforcement Office of Suruhanjaya Syarikat Malaysia as the Deputy CEO (Regulatory and Enforcement) since 15 January 2019. Ensuring effective compliance with rules and regulations is an important factor in creating a well-functioning society and trust in government. Special attention is given on key issues as well as some key principles on which effective and efficient regulatory enforcement should be based in pursuit of the best compliance outcomes and highest regulatory quality. At the same time, to address the design of the policies, institutions and tools for promoting effective compliance.

Started his career in the Information and Technology Division, Securities Commission in 1994. After 9 years, he moved on to be the General Manager of Information and Communications Technology Department, SSM, in 2003; and then Director of Internal Audit in 2007. Resumed as Director of Information and Communications Technology Division in 2010. Promoted on 15 March 2015 as the Deputy CEO (Registry and Business Services) and held the office until 14 January 2019. Managed all divisions under operations in SSM. Instrumental in the initiative to transform the mainframe based registry system to web based system in 2003. Implemented several initiatives to reduce operating cost and increase efficiencies at SSM. Directly involved in the establishment of a system and new work processes that resulted with Malaysia’s Ease of Doing Business World Bank Ranking jumped to 6 for 2014 assessment. Implemented SSM Transformation Plan with the aim to transform SSM business and operating models by leveraging digital capabilities.

YAP WENG SEONG is a Fellow Member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants, United Kingdom and a member of Malaysian Institute of Accountants. He is also a certified trainer and holds the “Certification in Training” certificate awarded by Pembangunan Sumber Manusia Berhad and Certificate IV in Training and Assessment awarded by Management Consultancy International Pty Ltd, Australia.

He started his career with an international firm specialising in audit, accounting and business advisory services. Thereafter he joined the Royal Malaysian Customs in the Licensing and Enforcement Sections before returning to the private sector as Financial Controller where he gained valuable knowledge and skills in the areas of administration, finance and accounting. He subsequently joined the Inland Revenue Board of Malaysia (LHDNM) to further his career.

During his career with the Inland Revenue Board of Malaysia (LHDNM), he had wide exposure and knowledge in personal and corporate tax, tax audit, withholding tax and compliance tax at the Corporate Tax and Withholding Tax Sections. He was also appointed

by LHDNM as a Prosecuting Officer to conduct civil proceedings in Malaysian courts pursuant to the Income Tax Act 1967.

He has more than 33 years of working experience in a wide range of industries and he is presently the Head of Section, Regulatory Review and Development Section in the Regulatory Development and Services Division of Suruhanjaya Syarikat Malaysia.