

Opening Remarks for Tan Sri Amirsham A Aziz Chairman of Bursa Malaysia Berhad Invest Malaysia 2016 | Kuala Lumpur 12th April 2016 | Shangri-la Hotel 9.00am - 9.10am

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Assalamualaikum Warahmatullahi Wabarakatuh

Yang Amat Berhormat Dato' Sri Najib Tun Abdul Razak, Prime Minister of Malaysia,

Yang Berhormat Menteri-Menteri, Chairman - Securities Commission, Your Excellencies, Distinguished guests, Members of the Media, Ladies and gentlemen.

 Good morning, and welcome to our Twelfth Annual Invest Malaysia, Kuala Lumpur.

- 2. We have this morning, a confluence of fund managers, policy makers, capital market drivers and thought leaders a total of over 2,200 delegates at this forum.
- 3. And it is at this forum where conversations shaping the capital market landscape take place every year.
- Ladies and gentlemen,
 We are entering uncharted waters in the era of connectedness.
- 5. An era that, will bring a new generation of global opportunities and new competitive threats.
- 6. The conversations today, and tomorrow, need to be about how we, as Malaysian's, should capitalise on the NexGen opportunities.
- 7. Initiatives like the Trans Pacific Partnership, and the Sustainable Development Goals, are

pushing a new agenda for sustainable corporate practices, as such, they need to be the conversation drivers.

- 8. The growing focus on sustainability will indeed benefit Malaysia, a country of only 30 million that has built a strong sustainable core, to compete, as an emerging market, alongside developed nations.
- 9. Ladies and Gentlemen,
 We are here today to discuss, debate and
 decide on the new thinking for corporate,
 regulatory and sustainable practices that will be
 required to take us forward.
- 10. Our core, as a nation, is strong, and, has created a highly conducive business environment for our businesses, from small to medium enterprises, to large capitalised companies to grow.
- 11. Foreign flows are back, market capitalisation is near all-time highs. Our FTSE (Footsie) 4Good

ESG Index continues to add new members, and our Shariah indices continue to outperform our benchmark index.

- 13. Ladies and Gentlemen, Let's keep the conversation lively, thoughtprovoking and most importantly action based.
- 14. I ask you to experience the next two days with a keen eye that:
 - v Malaysia is entering uncharted waters with new global trade agreements and commitments to the Sustainable Development Goals.
 - v That Malaysia's Sustainable Core is providing the competitive edge Malaysia needs to embark on NexGen opportunities.
 - v And that Malaysian corporates, regulators and investors alike need to be ready to push an agenda of sustainability and inclusiveness.
- 15. Ladies and Gentlemen,

I would like to thank our strategic partner, Maybank Kim Eng and our corporate sponsors for your support today.

16. And now, it gives me great pleasure to introduce our Honourable Prime Minister, Dato' Sri Mohd Najib Bin Tun Haji Abdul Razak.

Honourable Prime Minister ...

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