

Towards A Sustainable Future





As a financial institution, we recognise the impact we can create and contribute in building a sustainable future for all. Our commitment lies in embracing sustainability in all we do and in doing so, we create shared value for our stakeholders. Sustainability, as a driver of risks and opportunities, is continuously being incorporated into our business practices and decision-making processes.

Supporting the UN Global Compact and SDGs

In 2021, we marked a milestone by becoming the first Malaysian investment bank to join the UN Global Compact, supporting its Ten Principles which articulate the core tenets of four (4) landmark United Nations (“UN”) documents including the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the International Labour Organization’s Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work, the Rio Declaration on Environment and Development, and the UN Convention against Corruption. In tandem with this and the introduction of our ESG Framework, which guides our sustainability strategy, we have expanded our commitment and contribution towards 11 UN SDGs moving forward.

► For more information on how we have committed to UN Global Compact’s Ten Principles, please refer to pages 73 and 74 of this Report.

| UN SDGs | Alignment with UN SDG Targets | Our Focus |
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|  | 1.4 Equal rights for all to ownership, basic services, technology and economic resources | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Extending support to our local communities through philanthropic contributions and social investments. |
|  | 4.4 Increase the number of people with relevant skills for financial success | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Promoting financial literacy across the industry through our community programmes and industry financial literacy initiatives. |
|  | 5.5 Women’s full and effective participation and equal opportunities for leadership | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supporting the empowerment and representation of women in our workforce. |
|  | 7.2 Increase global percentage of renewable energy 7.3 Double the global rate of improvement in energy efficiency | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Investing in green energy companies and increasing the share of renewable energy in our operations. |

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|  | 8.3 Encourage the growth of micro-, small- and medium-sized enterprises | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supporting social enterprises through our community investment efforts. |
| | 8.5 Full and productive employment and decent work for all | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensuring a safe, conducive and thriving workplace for all our employees. |
| | 8.10 Expand access to banking, insurance and financial services for all | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Expanding client base, particularly the unserved/underserved retail segment via online platforms for investing and trading. |
|  | 10.2 Social, economic and political inclusion of all | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Uplifting our communities through philanthropic contributions and employee volunteerism, while promoting diversity and non-discriminatory practices across our employment practices and product. |
|  | 11.6 Reduce the environmental impact of cities | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increasing environmental awareness through programmes that encourage employees to practice a zero-waste lifestyle at home. Raising awareness across industries through knowledge sharing sessions to drive the transition towards a more sustainable business landscape. |
| | 12.5 Significantly reduce waste generation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reducing our resource consumption through responsible energy, water and waste management. |
| 12.6 Encourage companies to adopt sustainable practices and sustainable reporting | | |
|  | 13.2 Integrate climate change measures into policies and planning | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Embarking on a climate action pathway to address our climate-related risks and opportunities, while reducing our direct operational carbon footprint. |
| | 13.3 Improve human and institutional capacity on climate change | |
|  | 16.4 Combat organised crime and illicit financial and arms flow | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Strengthening our framework and compliance culture to prevent financial crimes. |
| | 16.5 Reducing all forms of corruption and bribery | |
| | 16.7 Responsive, inclusive, participatory and representative decision-making at all levels | |
|  | 17.16 Enhance partnership to mobilise technology and financial resources | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Building partnerships with community-based organisations to create positive social impacts. |
| | 17.17 Encourage and promote effective public, public-private and civil society partnerships | |