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BURSA	31-May	Day chg	% chg
KLCI	1,387.1	-9.79	-0.70%
FTSE EMAS	10,243.1	-36.0	-0.35%
FTSE Smallcap	14,837.3	-90.54	-0.61%
FTSE MESDAQ	4,947.2	-19.9	-0.40%
KLSE Mkt Cap (RM'b)	1,609.5	-8.3	-0.51%

BURSA DAILY TRADING PARTICIPATION

Participation	Net (RM'm)	Value (%)
Local Institution	165.2	22.3
Local Retail	34.1	11.1
Foreign	-199.3	66.6

INDICES	31-May	Day chg	% chg
Dow Jones	32,908.3	-134.5	-0.41%
S&P 500	4,179.8	-25.7	-0.61%
NASDAQ	12,935.3	-82.14	-0.63%
FTSE-100	7,446.1	-75.9	-1.01%
Nikkei 225	30,887.9	-440.3	-1.41%
SHCOMP	3,204.6	-19.649	-0.61%
HSI	18,234.3	-361.5	-1.94%
STI	3,158.8	-28.8	-0.90%
KOSPI	2,577.1	-8.4	-0.32%
TWSE	16,579.0	-43.8	-0.26%
JCI	6,633.3	-3.162	-0.05%
SET	1,533.5	-1.3	-0.08%

FOREX	31-May	30-May	% chg
USD/MYR:	4.6130	4.6025	0.23%
EUR/USD:	1.0676	1.0732	-0.52%
GBP/USD:	1.2367	1.2427	-0.48%
USD/YEN:	139.99	140.13	-0.10%
USD/SGD:	1.3549	1.3515	0.25%
USD/HKD:	7.8344	7.8327	0.02%

KEY STATS

KLCI Spot			
Vol (m shares):	3,541.4	2,381.9	48.68%
Value (RMm):	5,254.9	2,010.5	161.37%
KLCI Future			
June-23	1,389.0	1,392.0	-0.22%
July-23	1,389.0	1,392.0	-0.22%
CPO Price (RM/tonne)	3,201.0	3,403.0	-5.94%
Soybean (US\$/bu)	1,299.8	1,296.5	0.25%
SoyOil (USc/lb)	46.3	46.3	-0.02%
Gold (US\$/troy oz)	1,963.9	1,958.0	0.30%
Nymex crude oil (US\$/bbl)	68.1	69.5	-1.97%
Latex (RM/kg)	4.96	4.96	0.10%
Tin (US\$/mt)	25,700.91	25,867.0	-0.64%

Research Highlights

NEWS HIGHLIGHTS

- Guan Chong 1Q profit down 55% as margins fall while finance costs jumped
- E&O's 4Q net profit dives 80% on-year on higher expenses
- Land & General back in the black in 4Q, plans 0.6 sen dividend
- Pekat's 1Q profit drops 28% amid intense competition, higher material costs
- ACE-Market bound Edelteq makes RM3m net profit in 1Q

MACRO BITS

- Sudanese army suspends ceasefire talks, diplomatic source says
- Loan and M3 growth moderated further in April, reflecting a slower economy (See *Economic Viewpoint: Malaysia Money & Credit*)
- Bank Negara: Credit to private non-financial sector grew 3.7% at end-April
- Govt hopes pressure on ringgit will ease after US debt ceiling issue is resolved, says Ahmad Maslan
- An expected sixth consecutive 25 bps hike, its highest level since February 2015 (See *Economic Viewpoint: BoT 3rd MPC Decision*)
- China's factory activity falls faster than expected as recovery stumbles
- Thai April factory output drops 8.0% year over year, worse than forecast
- US debt ceiling bill faces narrow path to passage in House
- Fed's Bowman says housing market rebound could impact inflation fight
- Home prices may slump in euro zone as rates rise, ECB says
- Bank of England to take Bank Rate to 5.00% next quarter as inflation proves sticky, Reuters poll shows
- German inflation dips to lowest level in more than a year

IDEAS OF THE DAY (SEE SEPARATE REPORTS FOR DETAILS)

- Sector Update: Banking
- Results Note: BIPORT, CAPITALA, CIMB, GHLSYS, HLBANK, IHH, JHM, TAKAFUL, PPB
- Company Update: FGV, KGB, KPJ, OCK
- Economic Viewpoint: Asia FX Monthly Outlook, BoT MPC Decision, Malaysia Money & Credit
- On Our Technical Watch: AGMO, ASTRO

#	Top Volume			Top Gainer			Top Loser					
	Stock	Price	%Chg (+/-)	Vol (m)	Stock	Price	%Chg (+/-)	Vol (m)	Stock	Price	%Chg (+/-)	Vol (m)
1	MRDIY	1.57	-3.7	97.90	NESTLE	134.00	3.1	0.29	IOICORP	3.69	-5.6	8.23
2	CIMB	4.82	-1.4	86.10	INARI	2.52	2.4	29.00	MAXIS	4.11	-3.8	9.58
3	MAYBANK	8.65	0.7	59.70	PPB	16.26	2.3	2.51	MRDIY	1.57	-3.7	97.90
4	PBBANK	3.81	-0.8	54.00	SIME	2.07	2.0	13.30	KLK	20.88	-3.5	8.50
5	CELCOMDIGI	4.47	-2.2	43.50	AMBANK	3.64	2.0	21.20	PETDAG	21.12	-3.2	1.88
6	IHH	5.77	-0.2	33.40	AXIATA	2.78	1.1	11.90	PCHM	6.56	-2.8	29.00
7	DIALOG	2.16	0.5	31.00	MAYBANK	8.65	0.7	59.70	PMETAL	4.61	-2.5	21.80
8	PCHM	6.56	-2.8	29.00	DIALOG	2.16	0.5	31.00	HLFG	17.32	-2.5	1.43
9	INARI	2.52	2.4	29.00	MISC	7.30	0.4	7.63	CELCOMDIGI	4.47	-2.2	43.50
10	PMETAL	4.61	-2.5	21.80	GENTING	4.20	0.2	17.10	CIMB	4.82	-1.4	86.10

Notes: # KL Composite Index (FBMKLCI) component stocks

Corporate News

- **Guan Chong 1Q profit down 55% as margins fall while finance costs jumped**

The world's fourth largest cocoa grinder Guan Chong Bhd's net profit fell 55.4% in the first quarter ended March 31, 2023 (1QFY2023) to RM23.8m from RM53.3m a year ago, which it attributed to reduced margins and higher finance costs. Operating profit for the quarter dropped 25% to RM56.4m from RM75.3m, its filing showed. Finance costs more than doubled to RM26.5m from RM10.6m, while its Singapore segment turned a loss. Earnings per share fell to 2 sen from 5.1 sen the year before. The group did not announce any dividend, as opposed to the 1.5 sen it declared in 1QFY2022. But on a quarter-on-quarter (q-o-q) basis, the group saw a rebound in earnings, with net profit was up 16.9% to RM23.8m from RM20.3m in 4QY2022. This was despite quarterly revenue dipping 2.5% to RM1.13b from RM1.1b. *(The Edge Markets)*

- **E&O's 4Q net profit dives 80% on-year on higher expenses**

Eastern & Oriental Bhd's net profit plunged 79.6% to RM16.1m in the fourth quarter ended March 31, 2023 (4QFY2023), from RM79m a year ago, amid a sharp increase of other expenses at RM120.5m, from RM23.6m a year before. The lower earnings were also due to the higher selling and marketing expenses of RM4.52m in 4QFY2023, compared with RM2.2m a year before. Earnings per share sank to 1.1 sen in 1QFY2023, compared with 5.5 sen a year before, the property developer's bourse filing showed. Quarterly revenue, however, rose 15.2% to RM65.3m, from RM56.7m a year before. For the full FY2023, E&O posted a net profit of RM44.6m, down 30.1% from RM63.8m in FY2022, despite revenue growing 126.4% to RM318.1m from RM140.5m. *(The Edge Markets)*

- **Land & General back in the black in 4Q, plans 0.6 sen dividend**

Land & General Bhd (L&G) posted a net profit of RM9.6m in the fourth quarter ended March 31, 2023 (4QFY2023) versus a net loss of RM2.7m a year earlier, driven by its property and education division. The property developer registered an earnings per share of 0.3 sen versus a loss per share of 0.1 sen for 4QFY2022, according to its bourse filing. Quarterly revenue grew 27.3% to RM92.2m from RM72.4m previously, also contributed by its property and education division. For the full financial year (FY2023), L&G saw its net profit increasing to RM26.7m from RM19.7m in FY2022, as revenue rose 29.2% to RM249.2m from RM192.9m. Its FY2023 results were mainly driven by its property and education division. *(The Edge Markets)*

- **Pekat's 1Q profit drops 28% amid intense competition, higher material costs**

Pekat Group Bhd's net profit dropped 28.2% year-on-year in the first quarter ended March 31, 2023 (1QFY2023), as gross profit margin was weighed down by higher material costs and intense competition within the solar industry. The group posted a net profit of RM3.2m for 1QFY2023 versus RM4.4m in 1QFY2022, even as revenue rose 2.9% to RM46.8m from RM45.5m on increased project executions in its solar photovoltaic (PV) as well as earthing and lightning protection (ELP) divisions. Nevertheless, on a quarter-on-quarter basis, its net profit improved 36.2% from RM2.3m registered in 4QFY2022, while revenue grew 3.98% from RM45m. The group noted that it had incurred higher expenses for staff bonuses in 4QFY2022. *(The Edge Markets)*

- **ACE-Market bound Edeltec makes RM3m net profit in 1Q**

ACE-Market bound Edeltec Holdings Bhd registered a net profit of RM3m on revenue of RM9.8m for the first quarter ended March 31, 2023 (1QFY2023). Some 62% of the group's revenue or RM6.2m came from the design, development and assembly of automated test equipment and factory automation, said the group in a statement. Meanwhile, 22.1% or RM2.2m revenue was contributed by the design and assembly of IC burn-in boards and the supply of printed circuit boards, while the remaining RM1.5m (14.9%) was from the supply and refurbishment of IC assembly and test consumables. *(The Edge Markets)*



Macro Bits

Global

- [Sudanese army suspends ceasefire talks, diplomatic source says](#) Sudan's army suspended talks with a rival paramilitary force on Wednesday over a ceasefire and aid access, a Sudanese diplomatic source said, raising fears the six-week-old conflict will push Africa's third largest nation deeper into a humanitarian crisis. *(Reuters)*

Malaysia

- **Loan and M3 growth moderated further in April, reflecting a slower economy** M3 growth eased to 3.3% YoY in April (Mar: 4.0%), the lowest since November 2019, while loan growth moderated sharply in April (4.5% YoY; Mar: 5.0%), the lowest since November 2021. 2023 loan growth forecast revised to 3.5% - 4.0% from 4.5% - 5.0% (2022: 5.7%). *(See Economic Viewpoint: Malaysia Money & Credit)*
- [Bank Negara: Credit to private non-financial sector grew 3.7% at end-April](#) Credit to the private non-financial sector grew by 3.7% as at end-April, mainly due to slower growth in credit to businesses (2.4%; March: 3.2%), said Bank Negara Malaysia (BNM). *(The Edge Markets)*
- [Govt hopes pressure on ringgit will ease after US debt ceiling issue is resolved, says Ahmad Maslan](#) The pressure on the ringgit against the US dollar is hoped to lessen when the US debt ceiling issue is resolved over the next few days, said Deputy Finance Minister Datuk Seri Ahmad Maslan. *(The Edge Markets)*

Asia Pacific

- **An expected sixth consecutive 25 bps hike, its highest level since February 2015** The Bank of Thailand (BoT) raised the Overnight Repurchase Rate by another 25 bps to 2.00%, its highest since February 2015, in line with house and market expectations. We believe that the BoT has reached the end of its tightening cycle but has room to raise rates if needed. *(See Economic Viewpoint: BoT 3rd MPC Decision)*
- [China's factory activity falls faster than expected as recovery stumbles](#) China's factory activity shrank faster than expected in May on weakening demand, heaping pressure on policymakers to shore up a patchy economic recovery and knocking Asian financial markets lower. *(Reuters)*
- [Thai April factory output drops 8.0% year over year, worse than forecast](#) Thailand's manufacturing production index (MPI) in April contracted by a more-than-expected 8.14% from a year earlier, as exports slowed and production costs rose, the industry ministry said on Wednesday. *(Reuters)*

Americas

- [US debt ceiling bill faces narrow path to passage in House](#) The U.S. House of Representatives is due to vote on Wednesday on a bill to lift the government's debt ceiling, a critical step to avoid a potential economically destabilizing default that could come early next week without congressional action. *(Reuters)*
- [Fed's Bowman says housing market rebound could impact inflation fight](#) An apparent rebound in the residential housing market could impact the Federal Reserve's inflation fight, with home prices "leveling out" even as the U.S. central bank awaits the impact of falling rents on headline inflation data, Fed Governor Michelle Bowman said on Wednesday. *(Reuters)*

Europe

- [Home prices may slump in euro zone as rates rise, ECB says](#) Home prices in the euro zone may be headed for a "disorderly" decline as high mortgage rates make purchases unaffordable for households and unattractive for investors, the European Central Bank (ECB) said on Wednesday. *(Reuters)*
- [Bank of England to take Bank Rate to 5.00% next quarter as inflation proves sticky, Reuters poll shows](#) The Bank of England will be far more aggressive in policy tightening than previously thought as it battles to contain stubbornly-high inflation running at the joint-highest rate among Group of Seven advanced economies, a Reuters poll found. *(Reuters)*
- [German inflation dips to lowest level in more than a year](#) German inflation eased this month, official data showed on Wednesday, after similarly benign readings elsewhere across the euro zone, suggesting that price growth may be falling more quickly than expected in the 20-nation currency bloc. *(Reuters)*

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List of Oversold Stocks (14-Day RSI<30-mark)

NAME*	LAST PRICE	RSI 14D	RSI 9D	RSI 3D	LOW 30D
HAP SENG CONSOLIDATED	3.620	12.64	7.51	1.04	3.620
CHIN WELL HOLDINGS BHD	1.330	17.38	11.63	8.31	1.300
PLS PLANTATIONS BHD	0.755	18.60	12.18	0.68	0.745
PMB TECHNOLOGY BHD	3.710	19.47	11.17	0.64	3.600
BONIA CORP BHD	1.800	20.26	14.81	3.70	1.800
FARM FRESH BHD	1.340	22.14	16.36	4.22	1.320
BERJAYA FOOD BHD	0.615	24.36	25.22	47.25	0.590
FGV HOLDINGS BHD	1.310	24.59	15.77	1.63	1.310
KOBAY TECHNOLOGY BHD	1.960	26.14	26.91	33.60	1.900
IGB REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT T	1.570	28.38	23.64	17.04	1.570
D&O GREEN TECHNOLOGIES BHD	3.640	28.87	26.49	20.07	3.490
SKP RESOURCES BHD	1.020	28.89	29.01	52.34	0.965
HONG LEONG BANK BERHAD	19.360	29.38	24.63	16.43	19.360
HIAP TECK VENTURE BHD	0.305	29.55	20.15	1.86	0.300
FORMOSA PROSONIC INDS BHD	2.370	29.73	30.14	41.32	2.300

*Only for stocks with market cap >RM300m

Source: Bloomberg

List of Overbought Stocks (14-Day RSI>70-mark)

NAME*	LAST PRICE	RSI 14D	RSI 9D	RSI 3D	HIGH 30D
RAPID SYNERGY BHD	20.420	81.23	80.86	61.94	20.500
RCE CAPITAL BHD	2.080	79.74	83.55	90.96	2.130
REDTONE DIGITAL BHD	0.650	77.40	80.42	91.74	0.670
ALLIANZ MALAYSIA BHD	14.540	75.58	81.38	91.60	14.640
ELK-DESA RESOURCES	1.230	75.39	78.83	79.21	1.230
ORIENTAL INTEREST BHD	1.090	71.10	70.60	54.06	1.150
PETRON MALAYSIA REFINING & MARKETING BHD	4.630	71.05	78.11	86.34	4.630

*Only for stocks with market cap >RM300m

Source: Bloomberg

List of Oversold Warrants (14-Day RSI<30-mark)

NAME	LAST PRICE	RSI 14D	RSI 9D	RSI 3D	LOW 30D	EXPIRY DATE
GENTING MALAYSIA BHD-E	0.040	16.67	14.03	1.69	0.040	29/9/2023
HANG SENG INDEX-L7	0.015	20.10	20.68	21.10	0.015	30/8/2023
COMPUTER FORMS MALAYSIA BHD-WA	0.040	20.94	35.53	59.57	0.035	22/12/2025
FTSE BURSA MALAYSIA KLCI INDEX - KUALA LUMPUR COMPOSITE INDEX-IM	0.040	24.60	19.27	2.59	0.040	31/10/2023
HANG SENG INDEX-LZ	0.070	25.94	19.78	3.52	0.060	30/6/2023
HANG SENG INDEX-OT	0.070	27.38	21.44	4.09	0.005	30/8/2023
CLASSIC SCENIC BHD-WA	0.090	27.67	24.57	15.51	0.090	8/8/2026
MALAYSIA AIRPORTS HOLDINGS BHD-C56	0.015	27.93	23.98	5.33	0.010	31/7/2023
HANG SENG INDEX-LY	0.025	28.04	24.61	17.57	0.020	30/6/2023
HANG SENG INDEX-L4	0.025	28.21	22.75	3.24	0.025	28/7/2023
HANG SENG INDEX-OO	0.060	28.87	21.83	5.21	0.050	28/7/2023
HANG SENG INDEX-OS	0.105	29.41	23.89	10.53	0.100	30/10/2023

Source: Bloomberg

List of Overbought Warrants (14-Day RSI>70-mark)

NAME	LAST PRICE	RSI 14D	RSI 9D	RSI 3D	HIGH 30D	EXPIRY DATE
YTL CORP BHD-C55	0.325	91.71	93.77	97.91	0.325	25/9/2023
YTL CORP BHD-C54	0.290	91.61	93.31	97.57	0.295	21/8/2023
YTL POWER INTERNATIONAL BHD-C24	0.350	73.73	77.05	82.90	0.355	31/10/2023

Source: Bloomberg

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Sector Recommendations***

OVERWEIGHT	: A particular sector's Expected Total Return is MORE than 10%
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UNDERWEIGHT	: A particular sector's Expected Total Return is LESS than -5%

******Sector recommendations are defined based on market capitalisation weighted average expected total return for stocks under our coverage.***

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