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BURSA	2-Nov	Day chg	% chg
KLCI	1,439.8	4.44	0.31%
FTSE EMAS	10,632.1	50.8	0.48%
FTSE Smallcap	15,951.5	142.35	0.90%
FTSE MESDAQ	5,024.0	25.5	0.51%
KLSE Mkt Cap (RM'b)	1,684.1	8.7	0.52%

BURSA DAILY TRADING PARTICIPATION

Participation	Net (RM'm)	Value (%)
Local Institution	-41.0	44.3%
Local Retail	-42.3	27.9%
Foreign	83.3	27.7%

INDICES	2-Nov	Day chg	% chg
Dow Jones	33,839.1	564.5	1.70%
S&P 500	4,317.8	79.9	1.89%
NASDAQ	13,294.2	232.7	1.78%
FTSE-100	7,446.5	104.1	1.42%
Nikkei 225	31,949.9	348.2	1.10%
SHCOMP	3,009.4	-13.7	-0.45%
HSI	17,230.6	128.8	0.75%
STI	3,082.5	5.7	0.19%
KOSPI	2,343.1	41.6	1.81%
TWSE	16,397.0	358.4	2.23%
JCI	6,751.4	109.0	1.64%
SET	1,404.0	24.0	1.74%

FOREX	2-Nov	1-Nov	% chg
USD/MYR:	4.7505	4.7715	-0.44%
EUR/USD:	1.0635	1.0548	0.82%
GBP/USD:	1.2191	1.2139	0.43%
USD/YEN:	150.36	151.20	-0.56%
USD/SGD:	1.3639	1.3703	-0.47%
USD/HKD:	7.8252	7.8223	0.04%

KEY STATS

KLCI Spot			
Vol (m shares):	3,385.0	2,798.5	20.95%
Value (RMm):	1,932.8	1,799.4	7.41%
KLCI Future			
November-23	1,442.5	1,434.0	0.59%
December-23	1,442.5	1,434.5	0.56%
CPO Price (RM/tonne)	3,811.0	3,717.0	2.53%
Soybean (US\$/bu)	1,328.3	1,315.0	1.01%
SoyOil (USc/lb)	50.0	49.4	1.30%
Gold (US\$/troy oz)	1,993.5	1,987.5	0.30%
Nymex crude oil (US\$/bbl)	82.5	80.4	2.51%
Latex (RM/kg)	5.61	5.62	-0.09%
Tin (US\$/mt)	N.A.	23,640.0	N.A.

Research Highlights

NEWS HIGHLIGHTS

- Pentamaster's 3Q earnings jump 17.1% on significant improvement led by FAS segment
- TMC Life Sciences plans to expand referral centres in Vietnam, Indonesia
- Atrium REIT acquires Shah Alam property for RM41.0m cash in related-party deal
- Yoong Onn acquires 60.0% stake in Singapore-based T.C. Homeplus for RM38.2m
- Stella gets shareholders' nod to buy construction firm Pembinaan Teguh Maju

MACRO BITS

- Yellen says US wants more trade, investment with Indo-Pacific region
- Keeps policy rate steady, sees green shoots of recovery but repeats risk to growth mantra (See *Economic Viewpoint: BNM MPC Meeting (1 - 2 November)*)
- Luxury goods tax to begin on May 1, 2024, says Anwar
- Minimum wage order review takes into account socio-economic indicators, says Sivakumar
- China's 2024 growth may even beat 2023, ex-PBOC adviser says
- Bank of Japan plans to exit from easy policy next year, but needs some good fortune — sources
- Bank of Korea sees inflation outpacing projection as risks rise
- Taiwan central bank minutes show concern about higher inflation
- US continuing jobless claims rise for sixth week
- Canada govt spending to feed inflation next year, central banker says
- ECB's Lane sees good case for 'soft landing' of economy
- Bank of England keeps rates unchanged at 15-year high, playing down talk of cuts
- German unemployment rises more than expected in October

IDEAS OF THE DAY (SEE SEPARATE REPORTS FOR DETAILS)

- Company Update: OMH, PCHEM, TENAGA
- Actionable Technical Watch: E&O, KSL
- Rating Summary
- Economic Viewpoint: BNM MPC Meeting (1 - 2 November), Ringgit Weekly Outlook

#	Top Volume			Top Gainer			Top Loser					
	Stock	Price	%Chg (+/-)	Vol (m)	Stock	Price	%Chg (+/-)	Vol (m)	Stock	Price	%Chg (+/-)	Vol (m)
1	PBBANK	4.17	0.5	9.39	AXIATA	2.29	5.1	7.25	PPB	15.00	-1.3	0.77
2	SIME	2.29	0.9	7.72	HLFG	17.50	1.6	0.51	MRDIY	1.50	-0.7	3.86
3	AXIATA	2.29	5.1	7.25	CELCOMDIGI	4.25	1.2	1.24	WPRTS	3.37	-0.6	0.32
4	DIALOG	2.08	1.0	7.24	DIALOG	2.08	1.0	7.24	IHH	5.98	-0.2	4.86
5	CIMB	5.70	0.0	6.24	SIME	2.29	0.9	7.72	PCHEM	7.13	-0.1	1.51
6	GENM	2.42	0.4	5.06	GENTING	4.06	0.7	3.23	MISC	7.21	-0.1	4.94
7	MISC	7.21	-0.1	4.94	KLK	22.08	0.6	0.09	HLBANK	19.18	-0.1	0.53
8	IHH	5.98	-0.2	4.86	IOICORP	3.93	0.5	1.79	CIMB	5.70	0.0	6.24
9	MAYBANK	9.02	0.0	4.64	TENAGA	9.90	0.5	1.80	MAXIS	4.00	0.0	2.05
10	MRDIY	1.50	-0.7	3.86	PBBANK	4.17	0.5	9.39	MAYBANK	9.02	0.0	4.64

Notes: # KL Composite Index (FBMKLCI) component stocks

Corporate News

- **Pentamaster's 3Q earnings jump 17.1% on significant improvement led by FAS segment**

Pentamaster Corp Bhd's net profit grew 17.1% to RM23.5m or 3.3 sen per share in the third quarter ended Sept 30, 2023(3Q2023), from RM20.1m or 2.82 sen per share a year ago, as it saw improvements across its business segments, mainly its factory automation solutions (FAS) segment. Revenue climbed 16.2% to RM180.7m from RM155.6m. During the quarter under review, revenue from the group's FAS segment registered a commendable growth of approximately 63.2% to RM88.3m in 3Q2023 versus RM54.1m in 3Q2022. *(The Edge Markets)*

- **TMC Life Sciences plans to expand referral centres in Vietnam, Indonesia**

TMC Life Sciences Bhd (TMCLS) through its healthcare platform plans to expand its referral centres in Vietnam and Indonesia to further boost medical tourism. Their executive director and group chief executive officer said the increasing number of Indonesian patients from Singapore coming into Malaysia due to lower healthcare cost is seen as an advantage for the group to broaden its marketing wing. She said the company had allocated RM13.8m to increase the number of beds at its hospital division to 394 units by the next financial year, from 200 units currently. *(The Edge Markets)*

- **Atrium REIT acquires Shah Alam property for RM41.0m cash in related-party deal**

Atrium Real Estate Investment Trust's (Atrium REIT) asset manager Atrium REIT Managers Sdn Bhd (ABSB) has acquired buildings and leasehold land in Shah Alam, Selangor from a related party, Amazing Blitz Sdn Bhd (ABSB), for RM41.0m cash. The REIT said the purchase consideration represents a marginal discount of RM500,000 or 1.2% to the appraised market value of RM41.5m as appraised by an independent valuer on Oct 3, 2023. The land, measuring 24,295.208 sq m, is surrounded by a mixture of residential, commercial, and industrial developments and is near i-City, a notable landmark. *(The Edge Markets)*

- **Yoong Onn acquires 60.0% stake in Singapore-based T.C. Homeplus for RM38.2m**

Yoong Onn Corp Bhd has proposed to acquire a 60.0% stake in Singapore-based T.C. Homeplus for SGD11.0m (RM38.2m). The home linen and bedding accessories retailer told Bursa Malaysia on Thursday that it had entered into a share sale agreement with several Singaporean individuals for the stake acquisition. T.C. Homeplus is principally involved in the business of trading, distributing and retailing curtains, pillow cases, bed sheets and bed spreads. *(The Edge Markets)*

- **Stella gets shareholders' nod to buy construction firm Pembinaan Teguh Maju**

Stella Holdings Bhd received shareholders' approval to buy construction firm Pembinaan Teguh Maju Sdn Bhd (PTM) in an extraordinary general meeting (EGM) on Thursday (Nov 2). Stella said the acquisition — which comes with a profit guarantee of RM120.0m for the financial year ending June 30, 2024 (FY2024), FY2025, and FY2026 on an aggregate basis — is especially noteworthy, due to PTM's RM1.2b worth of outstanding orders in areas such as roadworks, building construction, and mechanical and electrical projects. *(The Edge Markets)*



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Macro Bits

Global

- [Yellen says US wants more trade, investment with Indo-Pacific region](#) U.S. Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen on Thursday said the Biden administration was committed to expanding trade and investment with Indo-Pacific countries, emphasizing the region's strategic importance ahead of a major summit of Pacific Rim leaders this month in San Francisco. *(Reuters)*

Malaysia

- **Keeps policy rate steady, sees green shoots of recovery but repeats risk to growth mantra** In line with prevailing expectations, Bank Negara Malaysia (BNM) maintained the overnight policy rate (OPR) at 3.00%. Downside bias to GDP growth to influence monetary policy direction. *(See Economic Viewpoint: BNM MPC Meeting (1 - 2 November))*.
- [Luxury goods tax to begin on May 1, 2024, says Anwar](#) The High Value Goods Tax (HVGT) will be implemented on May 1, 2024, says Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim. *(The Star)*
- [Minimum wage order review takes into account socio-economic indicators, says Sivakumar](#) A labour market intervention step should be implemented by focusing on middle-income workers, who are being squeezed, as reported by the Ministry of Finance in the Economic Outlook 2024, said Human Resources Minister V Sivakumar. *(The Edge Markets)*

Asia Pacific

- [China's 2024 growth may even beat 2023, ex-PBOC adviser says](#) China's economy could expand at a faster pace next year than in 2023 even as big questions remain about the eventual return of investor confidence, according to a former central bank adviser. *(Bloomberg)*
- [Bank of Japan plans to exit from easy policy next year, but needs some good fortune — sources](#) Bank of Japan (BOJ) governor Kazuo Ueda will continue to dismantle the central bank's ultra-easy monetary policy settings, and look to exit the decade-long accommodative regime sometime next year, an inherently risky plan that would require skilful execution. *(The Edge Markets)*
- [Bank of Korea sees inflation outpacing projection as risks rise](#) The Bank of Korea signaled it will adjust its inflation projection higher after prices rose more than expected last month, reinforcing the case to keep its restrictive policy in place for longer to respond to increasing geopolitical and economic uncertainties. *(Bloomberg)*
- [Taiwan central bank minutes show concern about higher inflation](#) Taiwan's central bank showed concern about higher inflation ahead and raised the possibility of more rate increases if inflation remains a worry, minutes from its last board meeting showed on Thursday. *(Reuters)*

Americas

- [US continuing jobless claims rise for sixth week](#) Recurring applications for unemployment benefits rose for a sixth straight week, indicating those losing their jobs are starting to have more trouble finding new ones. *(Bloomberg)*
- [Canada govt spending to feed inflation next year, central banker says](#) Spending by federal and provincial governments in Canada will start feeding into inflation next year if current spending plans are maintained, Bank of Canada (BoC) Governor Tiff Macklem said on Wednesday. *(Reuters)*

Europe

- [ECB's Lane sees good case for 'soft landing' of economy](#) European Central Bank chief economist Philip Lane said on Thursday there was still a "good case" for the economy to avoid a recession despite a tightening credit market. *(Reuters)*
- [Bank of England keeps rates unchanged at 15-year high, playing down talk of cuts](#) The Bank of England (BOE) left its benchmark lending rate at a 15-year high, with governor Andrew Bailey saying it was "much too early" to be thinking about cuts. *(The Edge Markets)*
- [German unemployment rises more than expected in October](#) German unemployment rose more than expected in October, Labour Office figures showed on Thursday, showing some cracks in what has been a very resilient labour market. *(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
SKP RESOURCES BHD	0.800	25.69	20.16	27.19	0.775
OCK GROUP BHD	0.390	28.41	24.10	23.44	0.390

*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
SARAWAK CONSOLIDATED INDUSTR	0.570	78.76	81.25	88.03	0.575
RANHILL UTILITIES BHD	0.785	76.82	84.17	97.28	0.820
POH HUAT RESOURCES HLDGS BHD	1.390	75.86	80.08	85.66	1.400
Y.S.P. SOUTHEAST ASIA HOLDING	2.550	74.76	82.03	97.54	2.600
IDEAL CAPITAL BHD	2.230	73.71	79.32	95.05	2.250
HONG LEONG INDUSTRIES BHD	9.190	72.42	77.78	94.26	9.210
KRETAM HOLDINGS BHD	0.645	71.33	79.57	96.72	0.645
MEGA FIRST CORP BHD	3.510	70.05	77.24	91.31	3.510

*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 BHD-Q	0.045	22.98	16.21	1.67	0.045	31/1/2024
HANG SENG INDEX-RN	0.010	26.43	23.52	6.58	0.005	29/11/2023
DPS RESOURCES BHD-WB	0.080	26.57	18.29	2.39	0.075	15/1/2025

Source: Bloomberg

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

NAME	LAST PRICE	RSI 14D	RSI 9D	RSI 3D	HIGH 30D	EXPIRY DATE
SALCON BHD-WB	0.045	84.56	96.26	100.00	0.045	19/7/2025
MN HOLDINGS BHD-WA	0.310	78.85	80.26	79.64	0.310	2/3/2028
YTL POWER INTERNATIONAL BHD-C33	0.430	74.93	82.67	95.09	0.440	29/2/2024
YTL POWER INTERNATIONAL BHD-C28	0.910	74.04	81.51	95.62	0.940	29/12/2023
YTL POWER INTERNATIONAL BHD-C26	0.550	73.15	79.88	95.46	0.550	29/2/2024
FSBM HOLDINGS BHD-WB	0.330	73.12	72.06	71.58	0.350	18/9/2028

Source: Bloomberg

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OUTPERFORM	: A particular stock's Expected Total Return is MORE than 10%
MARKET PERFORM	: A particular stock's Expected Total Return is WITHIN the range of -5% to 10%
UNDERPERFORM	: A particular stock's Expected Total Return is LESS than -5%

Sector Recommendations***

OVERWEIGHT	: A particular sector's Expected Total Return is MORE than 10%
NEUTRAL	: A particular sector's Expected Total Return is WITHIN the range of -5% to 10%
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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