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# LABUAN IBFC: A GROWING DOMICILE FOR EUROPEAN RISK OWNERS

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Why Labuan IBFC for European Risk Owners?
The Midshore Self-Insurance Landscape &
Latest Developments in Cell Captives

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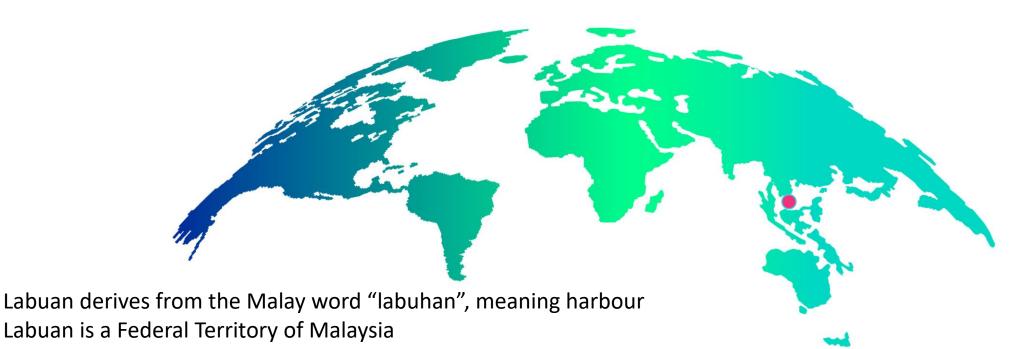


## Labuan IBFC

A growing domicile for European risk owners







- Population circa 100,000
- Primary industries include international investment, banking & insurance services, oil & gas
- Home to 50+ captives and an increasing number of cell captives
- Home to most large global insurers
- The only Asian domicile with captive & cell captive legislation



### What are midshore domiciles?

**Onshore** 

Characteristics:
In country;
Federal, state, country
regulatory regime

Examples: USA States, Luxembourg, Singapore, France, Spain, Nordics, Ireland

Offshore

Characteristics: Self determining, independent government Examples: Bermuda, Cayman, Malta, Isle of Man, Guernsey,

Midshore

Characteristics:
Self-regulated financial
centres with own
regulator working closely
with national
government

Examples: Gujarat (India), Gibraltar (UK), Labuan (Malaysia)



### Robust regulatory regime

# Why we have recommended Labuan to our clients

### Highly developed support infrastructure

• Ease of doing business with service providers

Fast track authorisation process

Competitive cost base

#### The Asian captive & cell captive domicile

- Labuan IBFC: supportive, open & approachable
- High visibility team
- Specific captive & cell captive legislation
- Targeted international growth, welcoming and open for non-Asian business



### Case studies

- European headquartered business
- Traditional insurance market capacity had dried up across London and international markets
- But still there was a regulatory requirement for our client to have insurance cover
- A cell captive was the logical solution
- But capitalisation costs in Europe not economically viable for business of their size

- Australian headquartered business
- Traditional insurance market capacity was limited and very expensive
- Client wished to share in the insurance profits and plug gaps in their conventional market program
- A cell captive was the logical solution
- Labuan provides a solution close to home & is the only Asian domicile with specific cell captive legislation

Labuan provides an economically attractive, appropriately regulated, stable environment for these firms to build their solution



# Latest developments in cell captives



### 1996

- First cell captives established
- Brought formalisation of segregation of assets and liabilities under law

### Innovation

Fast forward +25 years.....

### 2021

- Fast track, or pre-authorisation in Bermuda, Guernsey, Labuan
- The most significant development in cell captives in 25 years



### Growth

### Significant growth in number of cell captives in last 3 years across the world

### Awareness

- Conferences & educational events for buyers, brokers, underwriters
- Forward thinking domiciles and associations, positive collaboration
- Receptive clients

### Hardening market + risk evolution = harder to insure & uninsurable risks

- Professional and financial lines
- Cyber
- Sustainable environment projects
- Carbon reduction projects





The Biden Plan for Global Minimum Tax

### **OECD** focus on

- Base Erosion and Profit Shifting
- Appropriate regulation
- Solvency

Re-domestication of captives

Traditional market recalibration: shortage of economically viable solutions

Growth of new risks

Captive & ART market

will remain the viable, long term, stable solution



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