

# Labuan IBFC: Regional Wholesale Financial and Risk Intermediation Centre

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#### **Labuan IBFC – Gateway to Asia Pacific**

#### More than 30 Years of Intermediating Asia

Labuan Business and Financial Centre, Malaysia

- An international business and financial centre set up by Malaysia in 1990 to intermediate trade, finance, risk and wealth.
- A tax-efficient substance enabling MIDSHORE jurisdiction to facilitate businesses, trading, investments through financial services and a wide array of legal structures.
- Well-balanced legal and regulatory framework, proportionality in regulatory stance.
- Robust governing legislations passed by the Malaysian Parliament, administered by Labuan Financial Services Authority, a statutory body under the Ministry of Finance, Malaysia.
- Adheres to Malaysia's AMLCFT requirements and international standards and best practices set by multilateral global institutions.





#### Insurance & Risk Management Landscape

- Labuan IBFC offers a wide range of insurance, reinsurance and self-insurance structures. Boasting a comprehensive "toolbox" of self-insurance structures and solutions, both in the conventional and Shariah compliant versions.
- Provides a complete risk management ecosystem, more than 220 (re) insurers and insurance intermediaries as well as more than 50 banks, numerous underwriting and insurance managers providing a high level of advisory & management services.
- Labuan IBFC is the only Asian jurisdiction that offer PCC captive, and is now Asia's fastest growing self insurance market.

#### **Labuan Insurance and Risk Management Solution**

#### INSURANCE



- Direct Insurance
- Reinsurance
- Insurance broking
- Captive Insurance
- Underwriting and insurance manager
- Labuan insurer may carry on the reinsurance of Malaysia insurance business, including making and receiving payments in Malaysian Ringgit.
- Labuan (re)insurers were accorded with right of first refusal for Malaysian risks prior to ceding outside Malaysia.
   Labuan IBFC serves as significant reinsurance support to Malaysia cedants.

### Labuan Insurance Industry Continues to Grow for the Past 5 Years



#### **2020 HIGHLIGHTS**

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Number of Insurance and Insurance Related Companies



- 79 Brokers
- (Re)insurers
- 23 Managers

#### **Total Gross Premium (in USD Mill)**



#### **Premium Distribution by Region**



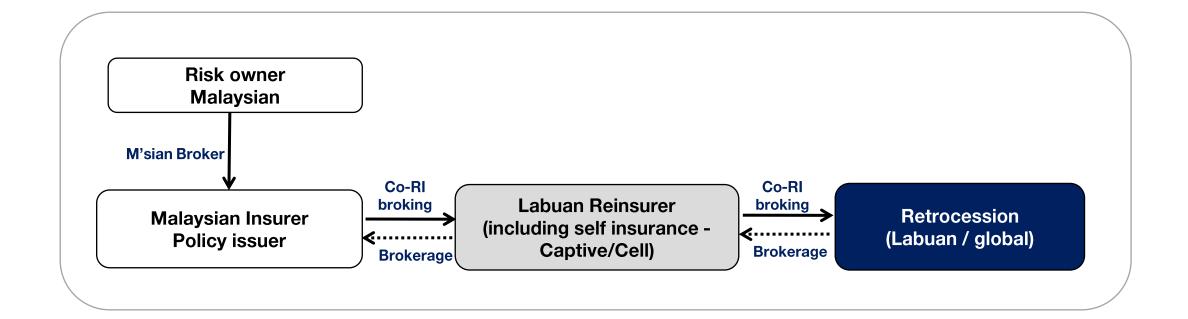
#### **Premium Distribution by Sector**

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FIRE 34.1% USD <b>543.1</b> MIL	ENGINEERING 11.1% USD 176.5 MIL	MARINE <b>8.1</b> % USD <b>129.1</b> MIL
	MOTOR 9.2% USD 146.1 MIL	OTHER CLASSES 37.5% USD 597.3 MIL

- In 2020, total gross premiums recorded a marginal growth to USD1.6 billion, mainly from (re)insurance business (60.8%).
- Foreign business continues to form the larger share of 60.9% or USD968.8 million of the total underwritten premiums.
- Fire sector remains the largest business with 34.1% market share or USD543.1 million of the total underwritten premiums.
- In 1H 2021, industry sector remains as one of the key growth areas with more than 10 new license approvals.
   The total number of insurance and insurance related license holders stood at 228.
- For total gross written premiums, in Q1 2021, it recorded growth of 12.6% to USD564.7 million.
- Reinsurance sector continued to dominate the market, with a share of 51.7%; focusing on underwriting of fire, marine and motor risks.

### Opportunise the Growth of Labuan Insurance Industry





- Section 127 of Financial Services Act 2013: M'sian risks must be insured by BNM licensed insurers unless approved by BNM.
- Labuan insurer may underwrite reinsurance of Malaysia insurance business, including transact in Malaysian Ringgit.



## Why Labuan IBFC?

- It is a robust and well-regulated midshore jurisdiction, conforming to international standards and best practices
  - > Malaysia (which includes Labuan) is regarded as a "whitelist" jurisdiction by the EU.
  - > The Labuan regime has been classified as "not harmful" by the OECD
- It is legislated by a common law framework, offering a comprehensive suite of legislation enabling companies to create bespoke solutions for business growth and innovation.
- Supported by a complete ecosystem with more than 200 (re)insurers and insurance intermediaries as well as more than 50 banks.
- Offer wide range of (re)insurance solutions and structures including captive/self insurance, only jurisdiction with PCC in Asia.
- Deemed as non-resident under the Malaysia foreign exchange administration rules and therefore is subject to a more liberal exchange control environment.
- Currency neutrality operations can be in any currency supported by your bankers.
- Cost-effective, substance-enabling jurisdiction with tax efficiency. Able to access to Malaysia's DTAs.

#### Let's Stay in Touch

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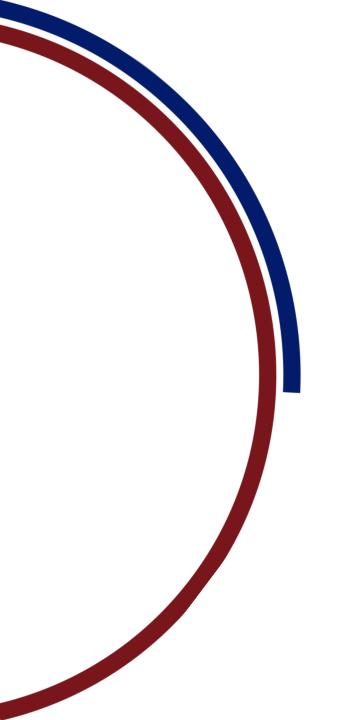


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