

# press release

## Standard Chartered is Best Foreign Bank in Malaysia

**1 July 2019, Kuala Lumpur** – An independent judging advisory board comprising experienced industry professionals has named Standard Chartered Malaysia as the **Best Foreign Bank in Malaysia** at **FinanceAsia’s Country Awards 2019**.



Abrar A. Anwar, Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of Standard Chartered Malaysia, said, “With a presence spanning more than a century in the country, this award is a recognition of our suite of products and services continuing to be relevant to today’s generation of consumers.

“Being Malaysia’s first bank has allowed us to witness first-hand the evolving trends and demands towards the financial services industry and provide us with insights to come up with the right solutions for our clients. As the banking industry undergoes one of its biggest transformations, we are taking this opportunity to build a much better proposition and experience for our clients.”

The Country Awards is a series of awards by Hong Kong-based publication FinanceAsia which covers Asia’s financial and capital markets. The awards recognise the best banks, brokers and law firms in the region by honouring the best domestic and foreign institutions in their respective markets.

Standard Chartered was also recognised in two other markets, bringing the Bank’s total number of wins to four.

1. Best International Bank – Malaysia
2. Best International Bank – Bangladesh
3. Best International Investment Bank – Bangladesh
4. Best International Bank – Pakistan

Apart from FinanceAsia, business magazine Global Finance has also named Standard Chartered as **Best Sub-custodian Bank of 2019 in Malaysia**. The Bank also won the **Best Fund Administrator – Retail Funds (Malaysia)** at The Asset Triple-A Asset Servicing, Institutional Investor and Insurance Awards 2019.

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#### **Note to Editors**

##### **Standard Chartered Malaysia**

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Standard Chartered employs over 7,000 employees in all its Malaysian operations.

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