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## **Standard Chartered Malaysia appoints Lai Pei-Si as Country Head of Retail Banking**

**Kuala Lumpur, 2 January 2019** — Standard Chartered Malaysia appoints Lai Pei-Si as its Country Head of Retail Banking for Malaysia. Pei-Si will report to Abrar Anwar, Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer, Malaysia and Sebastian Arcuri, Regional Head, Retail Clients, ASEAN.

Pei-Si joined the Bank in 1999 and brings 20 years' experience covering retail banking, strategy, product management, branch operations, regulatory governance, and business optimisation. She was most recently the Head of Strategic Programs in Standard Chartered Singapore where she was responsible for the implementation of strategic agendas for all businesses in Singapore including the country's digitised agenda.

Abrar Anwar, Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer, Standard Chartered Malaysia, said, "Pei-Si is highly experienced in the retail banking business and has an in-depth understanding of client needs. I am confident that under her leadership, we will be able to deliver on our Retail Banking strategy and steer the business into a new and exciting period of opportunities and evolution. We look to Pei-Si to achieve our ambitious growth agenda."

Pei-Si adds, "I look forward to the opportunities this role brings at this pivotal point in the Bank's history. Malaysia is fast seeing the rise of the emerging affluent amidst a shifting digital landscape. As we evolve in sync with our clients' digitally connected lives, I am committed to ensuring that we not only stay at the forefront of this change but continue to make banking easier and help our clients meet their dreams and ambitions."

Pei-Si succeeds Aaron Loo who has left the Bank to take on another opportunity. She holds a Bachelor's (Honours) degree in Economic & Political Science from the National University of Singapore.

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