ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

ABS asset-backed securitisation

ADB Asian Development Bank

AETS Agreed Export Tonnage Scheme

AFAS ASEAN Framework Agreement on Services

AFTA ASEAN Free Trade Area

APEC Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation

APG Asia/Pacific Group on Money Laundering
ASEAN Association of South-East Asian Nations

ASEAN+3 ASEAN+China, Japan and Republic of Korea

ASEM Asia-Europe Meeting

ASP ASEAN Surveillance Process

BAs banker's acceptances

BCC Biotechnology Cooperative Center

BDD Biotechnology Development Directorate

BLR base lending rate

BIOTEK National Biotechnology Directorate

BNM Bank Negara Malaysia

BITS Biotechnology and Information Technology Super Corridor

BOP balance of payments

bpd barrels per day

BSA bilateral swap arrangement
BSN Bank Simpanan Nasional

BTB book-to-bill

CCR core capital ratio

CDRC Corporate Debt Restructuring Committee

CMI Chiang Mai Initiative

CMP Capital Market Master Plan

CPI Consumer Price Index

CPO crude palm oil

DBR disclosure-based regulation

DFIs development finance institutions

EAF electronic access facilities

E&E electrical and electronics

ELX Electronic Labour Exchange

EMU European Economic and Monetary Union

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EPF Employees Provident Fund

FPU Economic Planning Unit

EU European Union

EWS early warning system

FATF Financial Action Task Force foreign direct investment FDI

FELDA Federal Land Development Authority

FIU Financial Intelligence Unit **FSMP** Financial Sector Master Plan

G-15 Group of Fifteen

GDP gross domestic product

GII Government Investment Issues

GNP gross national product

HLIs highly leveraged institutions

HPA Hanoi Plan of Action

HRDC Human Resource Development Council HRDF Human Resource Development Fund

IBFIM Islamic Banking and Finance Institute Malaysia

IBS Islamic Banking Scheme

ICT Information and Communications Technology

IEA International Energy Agency

IFA international financial architecture **IFIs** international financial institutions **IFSB** Islamic Financial Services Board IMF . International Monetary Fund

IPI Industrial Production Index IPO initial public offering

IT

information technology ITRCo International Tripartite Rubber Cooperation

JETRO Japan External Trade Organisation KLCI Kuala Lumpur Composite Index KLIA Kuala Lumpur International Airport KLSE Kuala Lumpur Stock Exchange

KUKUM Kolej Universiti Kejuruteraan Utara Malaysia

KUKTEM Kolej Universiti Kejuruteraan Teknologi Malaysia

LIBOR London Interbank Offered Rate

LNG Liquefied Natural Gas LPG

Liquefied Petroleum Gas

LTN

National Tobacco Board

MAHB

Malaysia Airport Holdings Berhad

MARA

Majlis Amanah Rakyat

MARC

Malaysian Rating Corporation

MARDI

Malaysian Agriculture Research and Development Institute

MAS

Monetary Authority of Singapore

MAVCAP

Malaysian Venture Capital Management

MDEX

Malaysian Derivatives Exchange

MESDAQ

Malaysian Exchange of Securities Dealing and Automated Quotation

MGS

Malaysian Government Securities

MIDA

Malaysian Industrial Development Authority

MIMOS

Malaysian Institute of Micro-Electronic Systems

MISC

Malaysian International Shipping Corporation

MIT

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

MMI

Mesdag Market Index

MOSTE

Ministry of Science, Technology and Environment

MSC

Multimedia Super Corridor

MTDC

Malaysia Trade and Distribution Centre

NAV

net asset value

NFPEs

non-financial public enterprises

NIDs

Negotiable Instrument of Deposit

NPLs

non-performing loans

OPEC

Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries

PCs

personal computers

PDS

private debt securities

PETRONAS

Petroliam Nasional Berhad

PPFs

Provident and Pension Funds

PPI

Producer Price Index

PSA

Port of Singapore Authority passenger service charges

PSC PSMB

Pembangunan Sumber Manusia Berhad

PTP

Port of Tanjung Pelepas

R&D

research and development

RAM

Rating Agency Malaysia

ROK

Republic of Korea

RSS

Ribbed Smoke Sheet

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RWCR risk-weighted capital ratio

SAR Special Administrative Region

SBC Stockbroking companies

SC Securities Commission

SDB Sabah Development Bank Berhad

SDF Skills Development Fund

SIRIM Standards and Industrial Research Institute of Malaysia

SIA Semiconductor Industry Association

SMEs Small and Medium Enterprises

SMR Standard Malaysian Rubber

SMS Supply Management Scheme

SOCSO Social Security Organisation

SSL Skim Sangkutan dan Latihan

SITC Standard International Trade Code

TBs Treasury Bills

TEUs Twenty-foot Equivalent Units

THIS Total Hospital Information System

TMB Telekom Malaysia Berhad

TNB Tenaga Nasional Berhad

UAE United Arab Emirates

UK United Kingdom

ULC unit labour cost

US United States

VC venture capital

VCC venture capital company

WTO World Trade Organisation