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BIMB INVESTMENT DECLARES 6.02% INCOME DISTRIBUTION YIELD FOR ITS GLOBAL SHARIAH-ESG EQUITY FUND

KUALA LUMPUR, Tuesday, [19 September 2023]: BIMB Investment Management Berhad (BIMB Investment), a wholly owned subsidiary of Bank Islam Malaysia Berhad (Bank Islam), has declared income distribution for BIMB-ARABESQUE *i* Global Dividend Fund 1 (B*i*GDF1) or (the Fund) for its financial year ending 31 March 2024 as follows:

Fund Name	Asset Class	Yield (%)	Sen/cent per unit
BIMB-ARABESQUE <i>i</i> Global Dividend Fund 1	RM	6.02%	2.90
	USD	6.12%	2.90
	RM Hedged	6.19%	2.80
	SGD	6.10%	2.60

BIMB Investment's Chief Executive Officer, Azdini Nor Azman, said, "We would like to thank our unitholders for their unwavering support and trust in our B*i*GDF1. Their confidence has translated into a strong performance, resulting in income distributions of 2.90 sen/cent per unit for the RM Class and USD Class, 2.80 sen/cent per unit for the RM Hedged Class, and 2.60 sen/cent per unit for the SGD Class. The income distribution yield of the Fund is 6.02% for the RM Class, 6.12% for the USD Class, 6.19% for the RM Hedged Class, and 6.10% for the SGD Class."

She adds, "With B*i*GDF1, the landscape of fund management is evolving through the financial technology solution that constructs investment portfolios focusing on capital growth while effectively managing market volatility, conducting data analysis, and making intuition-free decisions. B*i*GDF1 seamlessly incorporates Shariah values and environmental, social and governance (ESG) principles, harnessing the power of Artificial Intelligence (AI) technology to provide consistent, sustainable performance. Our dedication remains firmly rooted in delivering value and sustainable performance with risk management at the forefront of our commitment to investors."

B*i*GDF1, first introduced in November 2015 and relaunched in 2019 for retail investors, is one of the largest Shariah global equity funds in Malaysia, with more than RM200 million in fund size as of 31 August 2023, according to the Refinitiv Lipper IM rank. The Fund was awarded Best ESG Equity Fund 2020 by The Asset Islamic Finance Awards 2020. The Fund seeks long-term capital appreciation and provides investors access to investments in Shariah-compliant global equities.

It suits investors seeking exposure to Shariah-compliant global developed markets equity, with moderate to high-risk tolerance and a 5-year or more investment horizon. The Fund invests a minimum of 90% of the Fund's net asset value (NAV) into the Target Fund and a maximum of 10% of the Fund's NAV into Islamic fixed deposits, Islamic money market instruments, and/or Islamic liquid markets. The Fund rebalances its portfolio daily between equity and cash for sustainable risk-adjusted investment returns and to reduce risks and drawdowns during failing markets. The minimum initial investment amount is RM500 for the RM Class and the RM Hedged Class, SGD500 for the SGD Class, and USD500 for the USD Class.

Bank Islam's Group Chief Executive Officer, Mohd Muazzam Mohamed, said, "The Bank Islam Group remains committed to incorporating Shariah principles within the Group and considering ESG factors. This commitment aims to enhance resilience and foster financial inclusion for everyone. We believe ESG-focused investments are poised to become the prevailing trend, and companies that prioritise ESG considerations will excel and demonstrate greater long-term resilience."

Disclaimer:

Investors are advised to read and understand the contents of the Prospectus of BIMB-ARABESQUE i Global Dividend Fund 1 ("Fund") dated 17 October 2019, or it's supplemental (if any), and the Product Highlights Sheet (PHS) before investing, which have been lodged with the Securities Commission Malaysia (SC) who takes no responsibility for its contents. A copy of the Prospectus or its supplemental (if any), and PHS can be obtained from the Head Office of BIMB Investment, www.bimbinvestment.com.my, any of our authorised unit trust consultants, distributors and/or any Bank Islam branches. The SC's authorization or the lodgement of the Prospectus or its supplemental (if any), and PHS should not be taken to indicate that the SC has recommended the Fund. There are fees and charges involved and investors are advised to compare and consider the fees, charges and costs involved before investing in the Fund. Investments in the Fund are exposed to risk, please refer to the Prospectus or its supplemental (if any), and PHS for detailed information. Investors are advised to consider the risks in the Fund and should make their own risk assessment and seek professional advice, where necessary, prior to investing. Investors should also note that the price of units and distribution payables, if any, may fluctuate, and past performance of the Fund should not be taken as indicative of its future performance. Any issue of units to which the Prospectus or its supplemental (if any), and PHS relates will only be made upon receipt of the completed application form referred to in and accompanying the Prospectus or its supplemental (if any), and PHS, subject to the terms and conditions therein. Investors are also advised that, where distribution declared, investors are advised that following issue of distribution, the NAV per unit will be reduced from cum distribution to ex-distribution NAV. The award grantor mentioned is an independent third party and not related to the company. The ranking provided should not be solely relied upon and investors should also note that the ranking is likely to change. This material has not been reviewed by the SC.

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About BIMB Investment Management Berhad.

BIMB Investment Management Berhad (BIMB Investment) is a leading Shariah-ESG investment management company in Malaysia. A wholly owned subsidiary of Bank Islam Malaysia Berhad, BIMB Investment is a licensed Islamic fund management company registered with the Securities Commission Malaysia. Incorporated on 14 September 1993 and commenced its operations on 20 June 1994, BIMB Investment is headquartered in Malaysia.

BIMB Investment is the first bank-backed Islamic Asset Manager in the region to be a signatory of United Nations-Supported Principles for Responsible Investment (UNPRI).

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