



Board of Director Profile



Cik Hasnah binti Omar

Malaysian, Female

Chairman and Independent Non-Executive Director

Member of Audit Committee

Member of Risk Management and Sustainability Committee

Member of Nomination and Remuneration Committee

Cik Hasnah binti Omar was appointed as an Independent Non-Executive Director of the Company on 30 June 2016. She was appointed as Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Company on 14 May 2019. Cik Hasnah is a member of the Audit Committee, Risk Management and Sustainability Committee and Nomination and Remuneration Committee of the Company.

Cik Hasnah graduated and received her BA (Hons) from University of Malaya in 1981 and holds a Masters in Public Administration from Harvard University, USA in 1991. Cik Hasnah also holds a Masters in Banking Law Executive (Islamic and Conventional) from International Islamic University of Malaysia in 2010. She also completed Banking School II and III Training for Bank Examiners, Federal Reserve Banking System, DC, USA in 1989.

Cik Hasnah has vast experience in finance, banking and capital market having worked in various capacities with Bank Negara Malaysia (BNM), Securities Commission (SC), and the Asian Development Bank (ADB), Manila, Philippines.

In 1981, Cik Hasnah joined BNM, where she largely worked in the Bank Examination Department of BNM which was responsible for the examinations of commercial banks, merchant banks, discount houses and finance companies then. She led the examinations of a number of financially distressed banks during the mid-1980s. She was also involved in the rescue exercises of cooperative societies during the cooperative debacle. For about one and the half years, she served as the Head of Public Affairs Unit of the Bank, among others, assisting the Governor and Senior Management in managing the press and public perception of BNM's policies.

Cik Hasnah worked with SC from 1991 until 2013, culminating her career in SC as the Director of Market Oversight Business Group. She was actively involved in the Brokers Monitoring System/Brokers' solvency during the Asian Market Crisis 1997/1998. She was largely responsible for the formulation and implementation of the Compliance Function Framework for the equities/stockbrokers, derivatives and fund management industry and the formulation of Risk-based Capital for stockbroking companies. She was primarily responsible for the formulation and implementation of Brokers' Consolidation Policy and provided input to BNM in the formulation of regulatory framework for Investment Banks. Cik Hasnah represented SC as a member of Financial Stability Committee of Financial Services Authority of Labuan (FSA) and as a Board Member of Capital Market Compensation Fund which she helped established. Cik Hasnah also participated as a resource person for the various regional financial regulators seminars organized by the Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) including in Beijing, Shanghai, and Kuala Lumpur.

Cik Hasnah spent two years, from January 2009 to December 2010 with the Asian Development Bank (ADB) in Manila on a secondment basis. Among others, she advised ADB on Islamic finance matters, she was a Mission Leader for the Financial Sector and Capital Markets Sovereign Loan Program and Technical Assistance (TA) for Vietnam, and involved as a Mission Member in the sovereign loan programs and TA for Thailand, Indonesia, Philippines and Brunei (initial mission). She was a Co-Mission Leader for the ASEAN Regional Capital Markets Integration TA. She returned to serve the SC in January 2011 until May 2013.

Cik Hasnah is currently the Chairman and Independent Non-Executive Director of Zurich General Takaful Malaysia Berhad. She is also the Chairman and Independent Non-Executive Director of MIDF Amanah Assets Management Berhad. She also sits on the Board of Bond Pricing Agency Malaysia Sdn Bhd. Cik Hasnah has been a member of the Appeals Committee of the Securities Industry Dispute Resolution Centre (SIDREC) since 2015.

Cik Hasnah also serves as a Mentor for the Institute of Corporate Directors Malaysia's Aspiring Directors Immersion Program (ADIP), a program that aims, among others, to develop the next generation of governance leaders.