

CAGAMAS BERHAD MAKES HISTORY WITH THREE INTERNATIONAL AWARDS

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Cagamas Berhad ("Cagamas"), Malaysia's National Mortgage Corporation and leading securitisation house, was recently awarded three prestigious international awards for its Synthetic Securitisation of RM600 million Small Medium Enterprises (SME) loan.

Launched in May this year and issued under its wholly-owned subsidiary, Cagamas SME Berhad, the innovative deal received the Thomson International Securitisation Report's (ISR) coveted inaugural **Asian Deal of the Year 2007**, the International Financing Review (IFR) Asia's **Malaysia Capital Markets Deal of the Year 2007**, and The Asset Triple A's **Best Domestic Securitisation Deal of the Year 2007**.

Cagamas President and CEO, Mr. Steven Choy, said that winning the awards was a fitting way to mark Cagamas' 20th anniversary and a tremendous start to its vision of becoming a leading securitisation house in the region.

"We are pleased with the international recognition accorded to Cagamas as we strive to position ourselves as a leading securitisation house in the region. The ISR Asian Deal of the Year award is not only a first for Cagamas but also the first awarded to an Asian securitisation deal. We are also very pleased to receive IFR Asia's Country Awards for Capital Markets Deal of the Year and The Asset Triple A's Best Domestic Securitisation Deal of the Year " said Choy.

The ISR is a member of the Thomson Financial Group. With a publication size of 13,000 globally, it is a niche publication that focuses on global securitisation. IFR Asia is Asia's most authoritative capital markets magazine, boasting a readership of approximately 7,200 issuers, intermediaries, investors and advisers whilst The Asset is a Hong Kong-based finance magazine targeting Asian issuers and global investors specializing in the Asian markets.

Cagamas SME's Synthetic Securitisation deal was a pioneering securitisation solution in line with the Malaysian Government's aspirations of creating linkages for SMEs to the capital market. It was the first synthetic securitisation transaction and the first securitisation of SME loans as an asset class, and is expected to set a new benchmark in the country. Aseambankers Malaysia Berhad and Citibank Berhad are the Joint Principal Advisers/Joint Lead Arrangers for the transaction while Malayan Banking Berhad was the Originator of the SME loans.

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