



# Press release

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## AXA WON THE PRESTIGIOUS HR ASIA BEST COMPANIES TO WORK FOR IN ASIA 2018 AWARD FOR THE 2<sup>ND</sup> CONSECUTIVE YEAR

- AXA Affin General Insurance Berhad (AAGI) was awarded with the HR Asia Best Companies to Work for in Asia 2018 award by HR Asia, a leading publication for senior human resource professionals.

This is AAGI's 2<sup>nd</sup> consecutive year being recognised for creating workplace excellence and promoting employee engagement. The award has also solidified the company's position as one of the most sought-after companies to work for in the country.

In its 6<sup>th</sup> year running, the award ceremony was organised by HR Asia at New World Hotel on 12 October 2018. Prior to the conferment ceremony, participating world class corporations went through a stringent evaluation process by an independent panel of jury consisting of industry experts, academicians and government representations. Among which, shortlisted companies were handpicked as winners based on a proprietary survey on employee engagement and workplace practices, which was known to be one of the most structured and extensive surveys in the industry.

"We're honoured to be recognised as the employer of choice with workplace practices that are on par with the best in Asia. Being the recipient of the HR Asia Best Companies to Work for in Asia 2018 award for 2 years in a row is a testament to our accomplishments in championing innovative initiatives and empowering our people with dynamic working environment, HR practices, engagement and overall job satisfaction," said En. Mohd Syukri bin Ahmad Sudari, Chief Human Resource Officer of AAGI.



*Mr. Emmanuel Nivet, Chief Executive Officer and En. Mohd Syukri bin Ahmad Sudari, Chief Human Resource Office of AXA Affin General Insurance Berhad receiving the HR Asia Best Companies to Work for in Asia 2018 award. This is the company's 2<sup>nd</sup> consecutive year being recognised for creating workplace excellence and promoting employee engagement.*

He attributed the win to the company's workplace culture, which is driven by the purpose of empowering people. Besides promoting workplace diversity and inclusiveness, AAGI offers employees a wide range of opportunities for lifelong growth, by leveraging on the network and platforms of AXA Group as well as offering advanced training for career development and personal skills. The company also highly promotes work-life balance and has introduced Employee Social Responsibility Leave to encourage employees to participate in good causes and give back to the society.

“At AAGI, we believe that in order to win in the marketplace you must first win in the workplace. Our people play a critical role in defining our success and competitive advantage in delivering value and supporting our customers. This is why we place great importance in employee journey mapping to support them in their career development and aspiration. What is also critically important to AXA is the continuous engagement and openness to listen to our employees,” he added.

AAGI is one of the fastest growing general insurance companies in Malaysia with over 850 employees in 22 offices, as well as over 4,700 agents nationwide, brokers and key bank partners.

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The AXA Group is a worldwide leader in insurance and asset management, with 160,000 employees serving 105 million clients in 62 countries. In 2017, IFRS revenues amounted to Euro 98.5 billion and IFRS underlying earnings to Euro 6.0 billion. AXA had Euro 1,439 billion in assets under management as of December 31, 2017.

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#### About AXA Affin General Insurance Berhad

AXA Affin General Insurance Berhad was incorporated in Malaysia on July 12<sup>th</sup>, 1975 as a licensed general insurance company. It is a joint venture between AXA Asia and Affin Bank Berhad, one of the leaders in Malaysia's financial services industry. Prior to that, companies that now form part of the AXA Group, operated in Malaysia for a period stretching back to 1874.

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