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On 17 March 2012, we kicked off Allianz’ 10th Anniversary in Malaysia. The morning began with a work-out session to warm up for the day. Employees set up stalls where they sold food and other items to raise funds to support five charitable organisations.

About this report
This report covers the operations of Allianz Malaysia Berhad and its subsidiaries (“Allianz”). It gives a broad overview of our sustainability performance in 2011.

All contents are accurate as at 30 April 2012.

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Strategy and Management

Dear Stakeholders,

Welcome to our first Sustainability Report. The release of this report coincides with our 10th Anniversary, which we have started to celebrate on 17 March 2012 and will continue celebrating with events throughout the year in our regional offices and branches all over the country.

Some people may say that the mere fact that Allianz is in the country for 10 years is proof of its sustainable development as a company. Yet this does not give the whole picture. A proven business model alone is no guarantee for growth. Instead, sustainable development at Allianz means combining long-term economic value creation with a holistic approach to environmental stewardship, social responsibility and corporate governance. But how does Allianz score in these dimensions?

Creating transparency by reporting on Allianz’ non-financial performance is the aim of this Sustainability Report. It is part of our commitment to be a reliable partner for customers, agents, business partners, employees and the general public. To sustain this trust, Allianz set up a dedicated corporate responsibility (“CR”) department called Allianz4Good in 2011.

Rather than integrating CR in one of the existing company functions, it was decided to create a new department with a direct reporting line to the CEO. This underscores our conviction that CR is a topic that concerns the whole company and not only a few professionals. In fact, Allianz4Good is more than a name. It is a strategic approach to integrate sustainability into our corporate culture.

As this Sustainability Report shows, we have started to raise awareness for economic, environmental, social and governance topics in many engaging ways. Internally, our employees, agents and business partners are participating eagerly in our volunteering programmes and their feedback is mainly positive. Externally, Allianz is reaching out to the communities we work and live in, to engage in long-lasting partnerships. Keeping this high momentum and engagement throughout the years will be crucial for our future activities. Moreover, our reporting efforts will be enhanced to satisfy increasing demand for transparency from all our stakeholders. Their interest and feedback is highly welcome.

Transforming a corporate culture is a long-term goal. Global issues such as Access to Finance, Climate Change or Demographic Change may sometimes seem distant from a local perspective but will become increasingly important to Allianz’ business in Malaysia over time. Together with Allianz Group companies around the world we will do our best to manage these issues responsibly and as opportunities to ensure our sustainable and profitable growth in all our lines of business.

Jens Reisch
Chief Executive Officer

Allianz4Good Setup

Allianz4Good is our new CR brand which outlines and positions Allianz’ engagement as a responsible corporate citizen. This engagement encompasses our corporate volunteering activities, our philanthropic support via corporate giving and our commitment to transparency and accountability through responsible reporting.

Allianz4Good identified four pillars where we want to advance social, economic and environmental well-being and raise awareness: Safety, Financial Literacy, Environment and Community. To facilitate this agenda, Allianz focuses strongly on employee engagement via Corporate Volunteering activities. Since 2011, our employees have the chance to volunteer as Road Safety Ambassadors under our 3-year cooperation with the Road Safety Department of Malaysia, followed by the roll-out of the My Finance Coach programme in 2012.

In addition, CR liaison persons have been selected in all Allianz branches to coordinate these initiatives on-site as well as drive local projects and align them with the Allianz4Good approach.
Economic

Our sustainable and profitable growth is based on our commitment to be the most reliable financial services provider. This commitment encompasses the thorough care of our customers as well as continuous engagement for financial inclusion.

**Customer Focus**

A strong customer focus is at the heart of the overall Allianz strategy. We recognise that to position ourselves as the most reliable partner, customer feedback is vital for us to monitor customer satisfaction and to ensure ongoing improvement in our products to meet customer expectations, reduce the number of complaints and cancellation rates. Satisfied customers are more likely to renew their policies and refer friends and family members to us.

In 2010, the Market Management department was formed to ensure that Allianz is continuously improving its customer and market orientation in a sustainable way.

We are embarking on Customer Focus initiatives to assess and improve products and services. The Net Promoter Score (“NPS”), a regular measurement of a customer’s willingness to recommend Allianz, has been established within the Allianz SE Group (“Allianz Group”) as the key metrics to measure customer loyalty. NPS is applied on two segments: Top-Down and Bottom-Up.

Top-Down NPS is measured on an annual basis and benchmarks Allianz against relevant local peers while Bottom-Up NPS is applied on two segments: Top-Down and Bottom-Up.

**Service Transformation**

At Allianz, we integrate Customer Focus behaviour in the DNA of our employees by embarking on service transformation initiatives. These include:

- Customer focused training for all levels of staff in 2012. A series of post training evaluation and follow-up via mystery calls will be carried out to assess the effectiveness of the training.
- Mystery shopping will be conducted by our Senior Management team to experience the level of customer service provided by employees at sales and services touch points, with the aim of improving the quality of information and advice provided to customers.
- Service calls are made to our customers and agents to assess their level of satisfaction with our products and services and to gather feedback to drive organisational change.

In line with the requirements of the Treating Customers Fairly Framework of the Life Insurance Association of Malaysia, welcome calls are made to new life insurance policy holders, to confirm their understanding on the policy benefits and satisfaction of the services received.

The Customer Service Charter setting out the standard of our service delivery and the response timeline is published on our website.

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**Digitalization**

Allianz is constantly reviewing its customer service infrastructure to offer a high standard of service delivery and to reflect consumer trends and behaviours.

With the increasing trend of internet-based and mobile-based services, customers expect information and services to be made available at any point in time. In order to provide adequate and fast response, we have embarked on various digitization projects that focus on increasing our service quality and modernising our communication channels. This includes the implementation of more automated processes or web-based applications at different customer touch points; e-submissions and e-claims, for example.

In 2011, we launched the local Allianz Facebook page which acts as a new social media platform to communicate with our customers and stakeholders in a more engaging and interactive manner. Our corporate website has also been revamped in order to make relevant information more accessible.

To ensure the viability of our future digitization activities, we are proactively engaging our customers to ensure that their personal contact details are updated.
Access to Finance

Allianz Group identified Access to Finance as a key global issue for its sustainable development. From a local context, this could be achieved via developing products and providing services that are both affordable and beneficial for people at the lower end of the income pyramid.

Accordingly, 2011 saw the launch of the Allianz Motorcyclist Personal Accident cover which has been a great success, especially in rural areas of Malaysia where insurance penetration is still low but the accident rate is high. Via our wide-reaching distribution channels, insurance protection is made possible at a lower cost to an underserved and hitherto unprotected target group.

Allianz was able to grow its total customer base to 2.2 million by 31 December 2011.

Financial Literacy

Having a solid grasp of financial knowledge enables people to make sound financial decisions and reduce risks. At Allianz, we believe in knowledge sharing and since financial expertise is our core competency, we leverage on this to roll out our financial literacy initiatives.

We regard educating underserved communities on their financial options and teaching young people basic financial management skills as part of our corporate responsibility.

1AzAM Financial Literacy

A Memorandum of Understanding was signed between the National Welfare Foundation and Allianz on 14 March 2011. Through the Memorandum of Understanding, Allianz covered 100,000 low income households registered under the e-Kasih database for one year, paying out claims in the case of natural or accidental death or permanent disability of up to 6 members per household. Spearheaded by the Ministry of Women, Family and Community Development, the scheme benefited more than 500,000 low income people with 1,048 claims processed as at 30 April 2012.

Realising that this was a unique opportunity to engage with an underserved community, Allianz not only served as the insurance provider but also developed a multimedia presentation that was shown to beneficiaries of the policy to share basic money management advice.

This multimedia presentation is currently in use by Bank Negara Malaysia to share with the audience under its LINK Programme.

My Finance Coach

My Finance Coach is a financial literacy programme which aims to improve financial understanding among young people (11-18 years). Familiarizing this age group with financial issues will help them to make sound financial decisions now and in future. While established in Germany, the programme is new in Malaysia. It relies on the strength of employee volunteers trained as Finance Coaches who teach students and young people from schools and non-profit organisations.

The My Finance Coach syllabus is developed by the non-profit My Finance Coach Foundation based in Germany with the guidance of a leading schoolbook publisher and the advice of a board consisting of economics and education experts. Moreover, the German UNESCO Committee has declared My Finance Coach to be an official project of the UN Decade of Education for Sustainable Development.

In the 4 months since launching the programme in Malaysia, we have trained 37 employee volunteers as Finance Coaches and reached 70 students.

Building a strong financial community

The insurance industry in Malaysia is expanding at a fast pace, with consistent market growth over the past years. However, millions remain either uninsured or underinsured.

With a comprehensive range of Life and General insurance solutions, Allianz aims to make insurance accessible and inclusive for all Malaysians at every stage of life.

Find out more: www.allianz.com.my

In 2011 alone, 170,756 customers purchased the Motorcycle Personal Accident policy, ensuring that they receive affordable insurance cover whenever they are on the road.

In 2011, Pak Ali and Mak Minah are the friendly characters in the 3-minute long animation who advise viewers to “Plan and use your money wisely”. Our employees’ children were invited to participate in the pilot class of My Finance Coach in Malaysia. Members of the Senior Management such as our CEO Jens Reisch (pictured), actively engage in the programme as Finance Coaches too.
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Local Carbon Reduction Strategy

Allianz is escalating its national efforts to “go green”. In 2011, we have embarked on the following initiatives:

- Reduction of paper consumption through the digitization of processes. For example, only soft copies of meeting papers are disseminated to our Board and Senior Management team for their reference during meetings. In addition, we have increased the use of email and web-based correspondence with our customers, agents and other stakeholders.

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Our People
Our sustainable success as a company depends on the commitment and skills of our staff. Talent attraction and retention as well as continuous learning and development play a crucial role when it comes to growing together as a company.

Allianz Engagement Survey
A key talent retention factor is strong employee engagement. Through the annual Allianz Engagement Survey, employees are encouraged to provide open and honest feedback on factors that affect their level of engagement with the company. These factors include various dimensions such as leadership behaviour, employer attractiveness, performance and compensation and customer focus.

A local participation rate of 99% in the 2011 Allianz Engagement Survey shows that our employees are increasingly interested in providing feedback to the management on its managerial quality and areas for improvement. To make sure that voices get heard and issues are taken seriously, all Heads of Department and Branch Managers are required to develop action plans to address the findings of the survey. Overall, 82% of our employees responded favourably to the leadership culture at Allianz.

Career Development
The introduction of the Career Development Manual (“CDM”) in 2011 reaffirmed our commitment to building a culture of high performance. The CDM provides our employees with a better understanding of the expectations and requirements for each job and function at Allianz. It is designed to show career growth opportunities within the same or across different job families as well as the technical and behavioural competencies required for career development at each stage. The aim of the CDM is to establish a more transparent and structured process for managing career development.

In 2011, 72 employees successfully graduated from the Business Development Managers training programme.

Training
Allianz aims to equip employees with the relevant knowledge, skills and competencies required for their roles through structured training and personal development programs. These include a combination of classroom training, on-the-job attachments and project assignments. In addition, for employees who decide to pursue further education or seek job attachments and project assignments. In addition, for employees who decide to pursue further education or seek new career opportunities, the CDM provides information on professional development opportunities.

Talent Management
To support a holistic approach towards talent development and management, Allianz has deployed various HR tools which help to identify talent and provide the relevant development actions; for example, the standardising of a global definition of potential and common understanding of high performance.

In addition, the talent management framework supports a systematic approach of succession planning for key positions.

A great place to work
At Allianz, it is our responsibility to provide a healthy and safe work environment for our employees. In 2011, we embarked on various initiatives with the aim of promoting employees’ health and well-being.

We successfully created a running community in Allianz last year which aims to promote a healthy lifestyle amongst our employees. In 2011, over 150 of our employees participated in the Allianz Penang Bridge International Marathon and the Standard Chartered KL Marathon. As an additional incentive for our employees and agents, all entrance fees for the said marathons were borne by Allianz.

To further strengthen the work-life balance of our employees, we introduced a new Flexi-Hour work arrangement in 2011. The initiative aims to provide flexibility to our employees in managing rush hour traffic as well as their personal or family needs.

Allianz does not tolerate discrimination or harassment in the workplace based on criteria such as age, disability, ethnic origin, gender, race, political attitude or workers’ representative activities, religion or sexual orientation.

Furthermore, we offer equal opportunities for both men and women. Over half of our workforce is female, with 14.8% of management positions being filled with women. A lower staff turnover rate (8%) as compared to previous years (12% in 2010 and 13% in 2009), indicates that we are increasingly successful in offering a good workplace environment and also in retaining our skilled staff.
Allianz as a responsible Corporate Citizen

We take our responsibility to society seriously and strive to engage with the communities that we live and work in. Our support entails financial contributions, transfer of knowledge and sharing of expertise.

CORPORATE VOLUNTEERING

The engagement of our employees, agents and business partners in social projects is a key component of our corporate responsibility. Corporate volunteering provides an opportunity for us to give back to society and at the same time help to create awareness for societal issues among our employees. Thus, they are strongly encouraged to participate in social projects embarked by Allianz.

248 Road Safety Ambassadors trained

19 Road Safety Campaigns held nationwide

930 Motorcycle helmets distributed

Road Safety

Safety is at the heart of our business as an insurance company. Being one of the top motor insurers in the local market, we believe it is important for us to educate the public on road safety and play a role in creating safety awareness.

Allianz signed a 3-year Memorandum of Understanding with the Road Safety Department of Malaysia (“JKJR”) in 2011 to jointly advocate road safety among Malaysians. We support JKJR’s Zero Fatalities Vision to reduce the national road accident fatality rate, which currently stands at 3.21 people per 10,000 registered vehicles.

As part of this cooperation, Allianz employees are trained as Road Safety Ambassadors by JKJR, a total of 248 so far. In the training, they are taught about the most common causes of road accidents and are given advice on safe driving behaviour and how can they play a role by reporting bad road conditions as well as how to respond to road accidents. They are expected to lead by example and be safe on the road as well as contribute actively to our Road Safety Advocacy Campaigns.

Road Safety Advocacy Campaigns are held jointly by JKJR and Allianz throughout the country with a focus on motorcyclists, who record the highest road fatality rate. At these campaigns, our volunteers and relevant road safety authorities engage with passing motorists by advising them on proper road safety behaviour.

Specially designed reflective stickers are stuck on to motorcycles as research has shown that these stickers can increase the night visibility of motorcyclists up to a distance of 300 metres. Additionally, buckle-up reminder stickers are given out to stress the importance of using securely fastened helmets. Unsafe helmets that are too old or do not conform to safety standards are exchanged with new ones for free during the course of the advocacy campaign.

By the end of April 2012, over 30,000 reflective stickers and 930 helmets were distributed at 19 Road Safety Advocacy Campaigns across Malaysia.

In 2012, to promote child safety while travelling in a vehicle, child safety booster seats were distributed to our employees and to the public during Road Safety Advocacy Campaigns. The seat will boost the child’s sitting height so that the safety belt does not restrain the neck of the child. The booster seat will thus help secure a child while travelling in a vehicle seat equipped with a 3-point seat belt.

The Social OPEX team worked together with MOBILITI to formalise their fund management processes.
10th Anniversary Fundraiser

In 2012, we celebrate a big milestone in our modest history – Allianz’ 10th anniversary in Malaysia.

To commemorate our decade in Malaysia, a series of charity fundraising events are organised nationwide throughout 2012. The spirit of the event is that as Allianz has been in Malaysia for 10 years, we would like to give back to the society that we are living and working in. At the same time, we formally introduced Allianz4Good, our new CR brand, which strongly encourages employee engagement in corporate responsibility activities.

As at 30 April 2012, a total of RM243,987 was collected via a series of fundraising events, organised by the head office and various branches located at Central Region, Northern Region, East Coast Region, and Southern Region. The funds raised have been channelled to charitable organisations, some of which are featured on this page.

Similar events will subsequently be held in other branches of Allianz throughout 2012.

**Selangor Cheshire Home**

Selangor Cheshire Home provides residential care for residents of all races and religious backgrounds who are permanently disabled and without means or resources. It also provides rehabilitation and training, and advocates for the integration of its residents into the community.

**The Malaysian Association for the Blind**

The Malaysian Association for the Blind was set up to help visually impaired persons gain independence through vocational training, rehabilitation services and public awareness. For example, MAB trains their members in foot reflexology, thus enabling them to generate their own income.

**Yayasan Chow Kit**

Yayasan Chow Kit aims to protect the rights of all at-risk children and youth and provide them opportunities to reach their full potential. As part of Allianz’ support, the children are invited to participate in the My Finance Coach programme.

**The Community Service Centre for the Deaf**

The Community Service Centre for the Deaf was set up to address the need for education amongst Deaf/Hard of Hearing children and youths as a means of gaining self-sufficiency. As part of their Teenage Entrepreneur Development programme, they established the Silent Teddies Bakery.

**MOBILITI**

MOBILITI is a charitable organisation that was set up to provide door-to-door transport for wheelchair users within the Klang Valley and has been sponsored by Allianz since 2006. In 2011, Allianz increased the sponsorship from 3 vans to 4 vans and continues to sponsor MOBILITI in 2012. More than 1,000 passengers are registered with MOBILITI. In 2011, MOBILITI helped Malaysians make about 4,000 trips to visit family and friends, hospitals and clinics or shopping centres around the Klang Valley. Currently there are 4 vans on the road and demand from the community remains high.

MOBILITI is also one of the charitable organisations benefiting from our 10th Anniversary Fundraiser.

**RM428,739 donated in Disaster Response**

A disaster is an unforeseen and often sudden event that causes great damage, destruction and human suffering. As an insurance company we are not only well aware of the economic implications of such events but also the social repercussions arising from them.

In 2011, Allianz responded to two major disasters by initiating donation drives among our directors, staff, agents and business partners, to raise funds for the survivors of the tsunami catastrophe in Japan and the floods in neighbouring Thailand. We then either matched or topped up the funds collected. A total of RM428,739 was channelled via the Malaysian Red Crescent Society, Allianz Group’s global partner in disaster response, to fund relief and reconstruction efforts.

**RM243,987 raised at 10th Anniversary celebrations**
We believe that corporate governance is essential for sustainable business performance. Various corporate governance practices have been implemented in Allianz to ensure that our business is conducted in a transparent manner with full accountability and integrity.

**Internal Control System**

We comply with all the prescriptive requirements of, and adopt management practices that are consistent with the best practices prescribed under, the Main Market Listing Requirements of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad, the Prudential Framework of Corporate Governance for Insurers issued by Bank Negara Malaysia as well as the Malaysian Code on Corporate Governance.

For detailed information in relation to our compliance with the above requirements, please refer to the Statement on Corporate Governance on page 75 to 88.

**Business Ethics**

Integrity is one of our core values and we are committed to practising the highest ethical standards in the conduct of our business.

Our employees are required to adhere to Allianz Group’s Code of Conduct for Business Ethics and Compliance which sets the standards for business conduct covering the topics, inter alia, non-discrimination and harassment, dealing with confidential information, insider trading, external communication, conflicts of interest, anti-corruption and bribery, gifts and entertainment and protection of our property and natural resources.

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In March 2012, we established Fit and Proper Policy and Procedures to ensure that all key responsible persons are fit and proper to direct and manage our key business activities and functions. This policy will be periodically reviewed to ensure its relevance and alignment with material changes in our business and risk profile and strategies.

Compliance Management System

The compliance management system forms part of our internal control system to ensure compliance with local and internationally recognised laws, rules and regulations to promote a culture of integrity and safeguard our reputation.

As part of the compliance management system, we participated in Allianz Group’s Anti-Fraud Program which aims to further enhance internal anti-fraud controls. The following initiatives are implemented locally:

- The introduction of an Anti-Fraud Policy. This policy outlines the existing controls and behavioural guidelines on the risk areas of dealing with government officials, business courtesies, hiring of representatives, political contributions, joint ventures and outsourcing agreements as well as facilitation payments.

- The introduction of the Vendor Integrity Screening process which aims to ensure a proper integrity due diligence before any vendor is engaged. The screening contains a self-assessment section for the potential vendor and a risk evaluation to be completed by the Allianz staff. If the screening does not reveal any negative or adverse findings on the vendor, a contract may be concluded with the said vendor which includes amongst others, an anti-corruption clause.

- The introduction of a Gifts and Entertainment Policy which sets out the minimum standards for gift/entertainment handling to and from clients or business partners. It aims to avoid any issue of conflict of interest or threat to our professional independence.

- Roll out of an on-line anti-corruption training for all staff.

In addition, the revised Anti-Fraud Policy was introduced in March 2012 to ensure a holistic view on internal and external fraud and to leverage further synergies between the functions of Underwriting, Compliance and Claims. It sets out the minimum standard for all employees, divisions, subsidiaries, branches and departments of Allianz, relating to fraud prevention, detection and response.

Whistleblowing

Our compliance management system provides an avenue for whistleblowing. The whistleblowing system was implemented to enable our employees to confidentially alert the Compliance Department about any irregularities. Having such a system in place promotes transparency and accountability throughout Allianz.