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DEVELOPMENT OF MALAYSIA'S ISLAMIC CAPITAL MARKET

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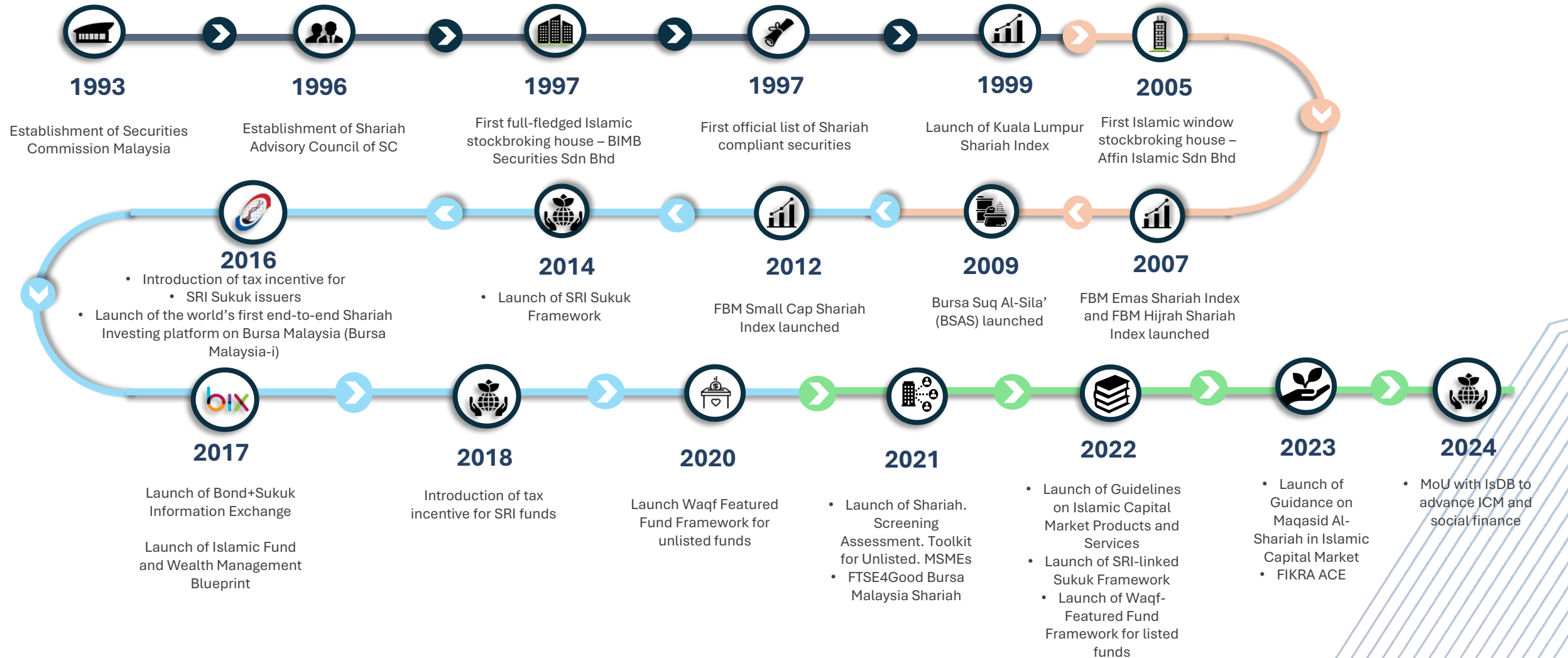
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Overview

Since 1990's, Malaysia's ICM has experienced various stages of development to lay the foundation for the orderly growth of the industry...



ICM Phases of Development under Capital Market Masterplans



Foundation of Malaysia's ICM

Establishment of the SC **Islamic Capital Market Unit** in 1994

Establishment of the **Shariah Advisory Council** of the SC in 1996

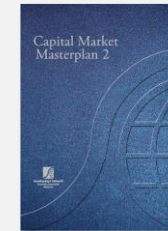
Development of the **Shariah screening methodology**



Capital Market Masterplan (2001-2010) Foundation Building

Focused on development of 11 areas of the capital market, which included ICM agenda

Position Malaysia as the **global ICM centre**.



Capital Market Masterplan 2 (2011-2020) Strengthening Fundamentals

Focused on **internationalisation** agenda to expand and scale to global markets

Emphasised on expanding service infrastructure and add-value to the **Islamic wealth management industry**



Capital Market Masterplan 3 (2021-2025) Positioning Ahead

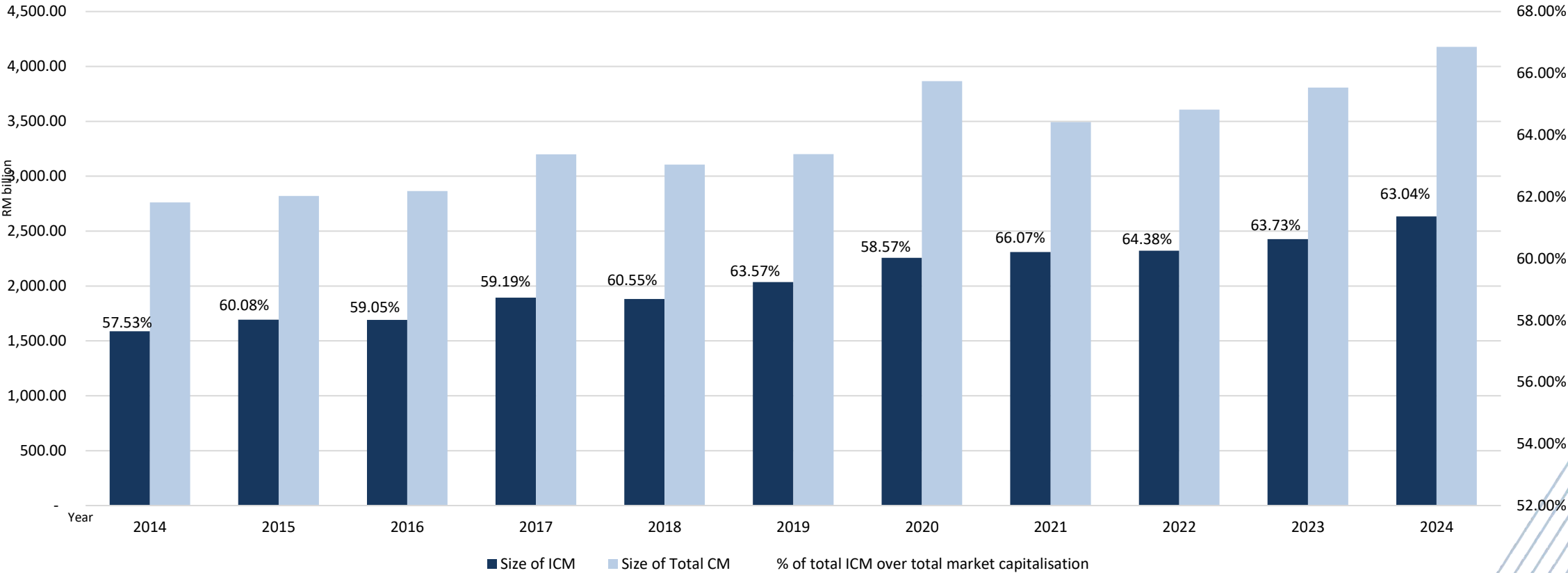
Emphasis on the importance of leveraging on **technology and digitalisation** to advance the capital market

Focus on building **stakeholder economy** – where ICM and SRI segments were identified as significant enablers for this purpose

ICM Growth Over the Years



Size of Malaysia’s Islamic capital market



	Average 5-Year CAGR (2014-2019)	Average 5-Year CAGR (2019-2024)	Average 10-Year CAGR (2014-2024)
Size of ICM	5.09%	5.29%	5.50%
Size of CM	-0.10%	5.77%	1.20%

Malaysia a Global Leader in ICM



Global leader in Sukuk – in term of sukuk outstanding and sukuk issuances.

Followed by Saudi Arabia and Indonesia
Source: ICD-LSEG Islamic Finance Development Report 2025



Ranked 1st in IFDI for 13 consecutive years

The indicator takes into consideration various aspects such as financial performance, governance, sustainability, knowledge, and awareness.

According to ICD-LSEG Islamic Finance Development Report 2025



One of the leading jurisdiction in Islamic funds industry

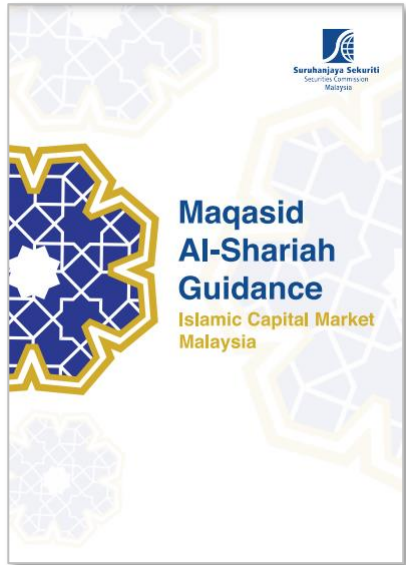
Ranked 3rd in Islamic funds AUM
After UAE and UK.
According to LSEG Islamic Asset Management Report 2025



Ranked 2st in the GIFT Index (previously #1 from 2021 – 2024)

According to Global Islamic Fintech Report 2024/25

Introduction of Maqasid Al-Shariah Guidance by SC



- The Maqasid Al-Shariah Guidance Islamic Capital Market Malaysia (Guidance) is developed to **enhance the ICM ecosystem's authenticity and alignment with the true spirit of Islamic finance and the objectives of Shariah**.
- Greater emphasis would be given to **creating economic values, progressive development of the sustainability agenda**, while **cultivating ethical conduct** in ICM activities with the introduction of the Guidance.
- The Guidance apply the common classification of *maqasid al-Shariah* or the objectives of Shariah, centered on promoting human welfare, revolving around the preservation of five (5) necessities; religion, life, lineage, intellect, and wealth.

To fit in the context of ICM, the Guidance is designed with six (6) overarching aspirations. Each of the six aspirations underlines its own principles, with a total of 15 principles that are governed thereunder.



Aspiration 1
HUMANITY



Aspiration 2
JUSTICE AND BENEVOLENCE



Aspiration 3
CLARITY AND
TRANSPARENCY



Aspiration 4
FLEXIBILITY AND
INNOVATION



Aspiration 5
FIDUCIARY AND
ACCOUNTABILITY



Aspiration 6
ACCESSIBILITY AND
INCLUSIVITY

The six aspirations and 15 principles are considered as a bridge to attain the five necessities.

Reinforcing Internationalisation of ICM

Objective 1

Supporting ICM Growth

- Complement domestic supply and demand with **foreign investment**.
- Broaden investor base and tap **new capital sources** by attracting foreign sovereign funds, family offices & institutions seeking Shariah-compliant solutions.

Objective 2

Building Strategic Partnerships

- **Connect and collaborate** with global and regional counterparts and stakeholders (e.g. Facilitate cross-border products, dual listings, passporting)
- Align with shared values: sustainability, impact, and Islamic principles (Maqasid al-Shariah).



Objective 3

Promoting Malaysia as ICM Hub

- Strengthen **market signals**, co-host roadshows that showcase high-growth companies, funds and sectors with high potential, including regional Shariah-compliant screening.
- Position Malaysia as an **ASEAN gateway** for Shariah-compliant/ethical investment, through branding, standards leadership & innovation in Maqasid/ESG-aligned products.



Thank You

