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Today's Highlights

Company Update – Gabungan AQRS (BUY, maintain)

- Game changer in the making

Economic Update – ASEAN Weekly Wrap

- Philippines export growth surprisingly strong in May

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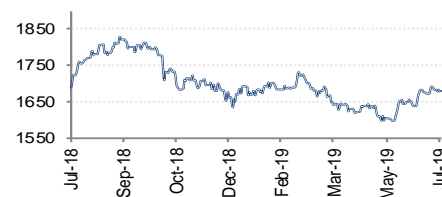
Other Markets Key Indicators

COMMODITIES			CURRENCIES		
	Latest	chg (%)		Latest	Ytd chg (%)
CPO (RM/Tonne)			RM/US\$	4.11	0.5
Spot	1,888.0	0.2	RM per 100 Yen	3.79	(0.5)
3-mth futures	1,941.0	0.2	RM/\$	3.03	0.2
Brent Crude Oil (US\$/bbl)			Yen/US\$	108.58	1.0
Spot	66.5	(0.7)	Eur/US\$	0.89	1.9
1-mth futures	66.2	(0.7)	RM/AUD	2.87	1.9
			MALAYSIA INTEREST RATES		
				Latest	Ytd chg (bps)
Gold (US\$/oz)			OPR (%)	3.00	(25.0)
Spot	1406.7	(0.4)	3-mth Klibor (%)	3.46	(23.0)
1-mth futures	1404.3	(0.4)	Maybank BR (%)	3.00	(25.0)

Bursa Malaysia

KLCI 52-wk range	1826.9 - 1598.32
Mkt Cap (RMbn)	1,766.25
Vol (m shrs)	3,181.14
Value (RMm)	2,211.71
KLCI futures (spot)	1,683.00
KLCI futures (1-mth)	1,683.00

KLCI Index (12-mth)



Top 5 Gainers

	Price (RM)	chg (RM)	% chg
BAT	29.58	0.48	1.65
DLADY	64.00	0.46	0.72
MANULFE	2.85	0.32	12.65
EFORCE	0.67	0.25	57.65
KLUANG	3.37	0.15	4.66

Top 5 Losers

	Price (RM)	chg (RM)	% chg
BLDPLNT	6.41	-0.37	-5.46
KESM	8.21	-0.22	-2.61
KLK	24.34	-0.22	-0.90
PETDAG	24.86	-0.14	-0.56
PBBANK	23.00	-0.12	-0.52

Top 5 Value Traded

	Price (RM)	chg (RM)	Val (RM m)
PBBANK	23.00	-0.12	178.31
UWC	1.43	0.03	129.15
KNM	0.35	0.04	97.28
MYEG	1.49	0.03	83.76
PCHEM	8.40	-0.01	57.38

Key Equity Indices

	Close	% chg	Ytd chg (%)
KLCI	1,679.26	0.02	-0.67
Dow Jones	27,088.08	0.85	16.12
Nasdaq	8,196.04	-0.08	23.52
FTSE100	7,509.82	-0.28	11.62
East. Europe	2,972.16	-0.21	14.95
Mexico	42,882.02	0.18	2.98
Shenzen B	1,548.93	-0.12	22.17
Shanghai B	2,917.76	0.08	17.00
Hong Kong	28,431.80	0.81	10.01
Korea	2,080.58	1.06	2.03
Singapore	3,350.45	0.30	9.18
Indonesia	6,417.07	0.10	3.59
Philippines	8,154.49	0.94	9.22
Thailand	1,740.45	0.06	11.29
Vietnam	978.63	0.51	9.65
India	38,823.11	0.69	7.64
Taiwan	10,843.42	0.42	11.47

Quick Bites

HSS wins RM5m ECRL contract

HSS has been appointed by China Communications Construction (ECRL) Sdn Bhd to provide consultancy services for the new railway scheme and scheme design study for the East Coast Rail Link (ECRL). The estimated contract value is RM5m with works starting in 2Q19 and completing in 3Q20 (Bursa Malaysia).

Comment: *We expected HSS to secure additional engineering design works for the ECRL due to the change in alignment of the railway scheme. This brings new contracts secured YTD to RM56m, achieving 37% of our 2019E assumption of RM150m. We maintain our earnings forecasts on expectation of HSS winning more new contracts in 2H19. We reiterate our **BUY** call with **RM1.30 target price**, based on target 2020E PER of 26x.*

Outside Malaysia

US stocks rally past milestones on tech surge

US equities tested key thresholds, overcoming an earlier setback triggered by a tweet from Trump, as technology shares pushed higher on the eve of earnings. The S&P 500 was up by 0.2% to 2,999.91 while Dow Jones gained 227.88 points (0.9%) to 27,088.08.

Trump complains China hasn't met G-20 promise to buy farm goods

Trump complained that China hasn't increased its purchases of American farm products, a promise he said he had secured at a meeting with the country's president, Xi, at the Group of 20 summit last month. Xi and Trump agreed to restart trade talks between their countries at the meeting, and the US president said he would hold off on imposing additional tariffs on Chinese imports. Trump also claimed Xi had agreed that China would buy large amounts of US agricultural goods.

US core consumer inflation tops projections in broad gain

A key measure of US consumer prices rose more than forecast in June, potentially complicating the Federal Reserve's assessment of inflation as policy makers weigh an interest-rate cut as soon as this month. The core CPI, which excludes food and energy, rose 0.3% mom, the most since January 2018, and 2.1% yoy, Labor Department data showed.

Powell says Fed has room to cut, may have kept policy too tight

Federal Reserve Chairman Powell suggested that the central bank has room to ease monetary policy as the tie between the inflation and jobless rates has broken down. "The relationship between unemployment and inflation became weak" about 20 years ago, Powell said.

ECB policy makers agreed on need to prepare for policy easing

European Central Bank policy makers were united in June on the plan to stand ready to provide more stimulus to the euro-area economy, while expressing some differing views on how to calibrate their tools. "There was broad agreement that, in the light of the heightened uncertainty, which was likely to extend further into the future, the Governing Council needed to be ready and prepared to ease the monetary policy stance further.

Germany offers rare good news for ECB with inflation revision

German inflation was revised higher in June, providing some rare positive news for the ECB, which is concerned about the price outlook across the euro area. The inflation rate was 1.5%, up from the 1.3% originally estimated, the country's statistics office said. Consumer-price growth was 1.3% in May. Still, the rate remains below 2% and may not be enough to assuage worries among ECB policy makers about a sustainable increase.

S.Korea and Japan to meet on spat as support for boycott builds

South Korea said it would meet with Japan over the country's export restrictions, as a poll showed that two-thirds of South Koreans plan to boycott Japanese goods in anger over the measures. South Korea's industry ministry said that director-level officials would meet counterparts in Tokyo to discuss the curbs on specialty production materials vital to chipmakers. While Japanese officials didn't immediately confirm the discussions, Economy Minister Hiroshige Seko said.

Oil set for weekly gain on Middle East tensions, storm threat

Oil is on track for a 5% gain this week, buoyed by ongoing tensions in the Middle East, tightening US crude inventories and Tropical Storm Barry's disruption of operations at US Gulf Coast refineries. Brent crude for September settlement lost US\$0.49 to US\$66.52 per barrel.

Source: Bloomberg

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Market Summary

Table 1: Off Market transactions

Shares	Price (RM)	Vol (m)	Val (RMm)	Type
MEDIA	0.60	55.00	33.00	D
ECONBHD	0.83	12.00	9.96	D
IMPIANA	0.04	10.00	0.40	D
REVENUE	1.49	10.00	14.90	D
MYEG	1.46	10.00	14.60	D
EFORCE	0.43	5.90	2.51	D
YINSON	6.95	2.60	18.07	D
CHGP-WA	0.14	2.00	0.27	D
CHGP	0.20	1.00	0.20	D

Source: Bursa Malaysia

Table 2: Shares Buyback/ Resale

Company*	Date	Units	Treasury	Transaction
SUPERMX	10-Jul	200,000.00	54,299,030.00	Share Buyback
KPJ	10-Jul	1,500,000.00	123,597,500.00	Share Buyback

*Only FBM100 Component Stocks

Source: Bursa Malaysia

Table 3: ESOS

Company*	Date	Units	Transaction
-	-	-	-

*Only FBM100 Component Stocks

Source: Bursa Malaysia

Table 4: Entitlements

Company	Entitlement	Ex-Date	Lodgement	Payment
PARAMON	Bonus Issue	24-Jul	25-Jul	-

Source: Bursa Malaysia

Table 5: Weekly Foreign Fund Flow

10 to 14-Jun-2019	17 to 21-Jun-2019	24 to 28-Jun-2019	1 to 5-Jul-2019	8 to 10-Jul-2019
RMm	RMm	RMm	RMm	RMm
350.0	-415.3	28.3	230.2	163.0

Source: Bloomberg

Fig 6: Changes in shareholdings

Substantial shareholder	Date	Transaction	Units	Company
EPF	8-Jul-19	Acquired	809,600	KLK
Amanahraya Trustees Bhd	9-Jul-19	Disposed	1,400,000	MAYBANK
EPF	8-Jul-19	Disposed	1,537,000	MAYBANK
EPF	5 to 8-Jul-19	Acquired	1,081,000	PETDAG
KWAP	10-Jul-19	Disposed	250,000	IJM
KWAP	10-Jul-19	Acquired	2,175,100	IJM
EPF	8-Jul-19	Disposed	3,016,900	DIGI
EPF	8-Jul-19	Acquired	1,747,200	DIGI
EPF	5-Jul-19	Disposed	44,300	PETGAS
EPF	8-Jul-19	Acquired	185,000	PETGAS
EPF	9-Jul-19	Disposed	2,000,000	CIMB
Amanahraya Trustees Bhd	9-Jul-19	Disposed	670,400	GAMUDA
EPF	8-Jul-19	Disposed	962,800	IHH
EPF	8-Jul-19	Acquired	22,100	IHH
Amanahraya Trustees Bhd	9-Jul-19	Acquired	350,000	F&N
EPF	8-Jul-19	Acquired	6,700	F&N
EPF	8-Jul-19	Acquired	2,000,000	TOPGLOV
EPF	8-Jul-19	Disposed	527,200	YINSON
EPF	8-Jul-19	Acquired	2,346,300	YINSON
KWAP	10-Jul-19	Disposed	6,000	YINSON
EPF	5 to 8-Jul-19	Disposed	1,769,000	DIALOG
EPF	5 to 8-Jul-19	Acquired	3,535,800	DIALOG
EPF	8-Jul-19	Acquired	161,180	TM
EPF	8-Jul-19	Disposed	48,200	AIRPORT
EPF	8-Jul-19	Disposed	1,436,000	HARTA
EPF	5 to 8-Jul-19	Acquired	712,210	SERBADK
KWAP	9-Jul-19	Acquired	13,000	SERBADK
LTAT	4 to 5-Jul-19	Disposed	55,900	AFFIN
Amanahraya Trustees Bhd	9-Jul-19	Acquired	400,000	UMW
EPF	5 to 8-Jul-19	Acquired	67,499	UMW
EPF	8-Jul-19	Acquired	1,200	NESTLE
EPF	8-Jul-19	Disposed	1,500,000	INARI
EPF	8-Jul-19	Acquired	472,800	INARI
EPF	8-Jul-19	Acquired	4,800	TENAGA
EPF	8-Jul-19	Disposed	234,800	WPRTS
EPF	8-Jul-19	Acquired	1,046,600	WPRTS
EPF	8-Jul-19	Acquired	629,000	PPB
Amanahraya Trustees Bhd	9-Jul-19	Acquired	710,000	SIMEPROP
EPF	8-Jul-19	Acquired	212,900	TAKAFUL
EPF	3 to 4-Jul-19	Disposed	3,350,000	DRBHCOM
EPF	4-Jul-19	Acquired	773,000	DRBHCOM
EPF	5-Jul-19	Disposed	4,846,500	SIME
KWAP	8 to 9-Jul-19	Acquired	6,137,900	SIME
Amanahraya Trustees Bhd	9-Jul-19	Acquired	25,114,400	SIME

Source: Bursa Malaysia

Fig 7: Dividend Entitlement

Stocks	Particulars	DPS (sen)	Announce	Ex-Date	Entitlement	Payment
CANONE	First and Final Dividend	4.00	29-Apr-19	15-Jul-19	16-Jul-19	26-Jul-19
VS	Interim Dividend	0.80	25-Jun-19	15-Jul-19	16-Jul-19	31-Jul-19
SCIENTX	Interim Dividend	10.00	26-Jun-19	15-Jul-19	16-Jul-19	23-Jul-19
KHEESAN	Interim Dividend	1.00	1-Jul-19	15-Jul-19	16-Jul-19	9-Aug-19
FAVCO	First and Final Dividend	13.50	29-Apr-19	16-Jul-19	17-Jul-19	29-Jul-19
BKAWAN	Interim Dividend	15.00	15-May-19	16-Jul-19	17-Jul-19	8-Aug-19
MITRA	First and Final Dividend	1.50	30-Apr-19	17-Jul-19	18-Jul-19	2-Aug-19
CARLSBG	Interim Dividend	21.50	16-May-19	17-Jul-19	18-Jul-19	31-Jul-19
ATRIUM	Income Distribution	2.00	3-Apr-19	17-Jul-19	18-Jul-19	8-Aug-19
BIPORT	Interim Dividend	4.00	28-May-19	18-Jul-19	19-Jul-19	9-Aug-19
BJTOTO	Interim Dividend	4.50	18-Jun-19	18-Jul-19	19-Jul-19	16-Aug-19
GAMUDA	Second Interim Dividend	6.00	27-Jun-19	18-Jul-19	19-Jul-19	6-Aug-19
SAMCHEM	First Interim Dividend	1.00	21-Jun-19	19-Jul-19	22-Jul-19	5-Aug-19
T7GLOBAL	Interim Dividend	0.50	8-Jul-19	22-Jul-19	23-Jul-19	6-Aug-19
MAA	Interim Dividend	6.00	9-Jul-19	23-Jul-19	24-Jul-19	20-Aug-19
INNO	Final Dividend	1.00	26-Apr-19	24-Jul-19	26-Jul-19	16-Aug-19
CHUAN	Final Dividend	1.10	30-May-19	24-Jul-19	25-Jul-19	16-Aug-19
RANHILL	Interim Dividend	1.00	10-Jul-19	24-Jul-19	25-Jul-19	9-Aug-19
ASB	Final Dividend	0.25	29-Apr-19	25-Jul-19	26-Jul-19	15-Aug-19
SAPIND	Final Dividend	3.00	9-May-19	25-Jul-19	26-Jul-19	8-Aug-19
MYEG	Interim Dividend	0.50	30-May-19	25-Jul-19	26-Jul-19	23-Aug-19
JKGLAND	Final Dividend	0.10	30-May-19	26-Jul-19	29-Jul-19	16-Aug-19
UMCCA	Second Interim Dividend	6.00	26-Jun-19	26-Jul-19	29-Jul-19	21-Aug-19
P&O	Interim Dividend	1.25	10-Jul-19	26-Jul-19	29-Jul-19	15-Aug-19
RGB	Final Dividend	0.70	17-Apr-19	29-Jul-19	31-Jul-19	15-Aug-19
AIRASIA	Special Dividend	90.00	3-Apr-19	29-Jul-19	31-Jul-19	29-Aug-19
DKLS	First and Final Dividend	3.00	3-Apr-19	29-Jul-19	31-Jul-19	16-Aug-19
MRCB	First and Final Dividend	1.75	3-Apr-19	29-Jul-19	31-Jul-19	23-Aug-19
ENGKAH	Final and Single Tier Dividend	3.00	3-Apr-19	29-Jul-19	31-Jul-19	16-Aug-19
POHUAT	First Interim Dividend	2.00	4-Apr-19	29-Jul-19	31-Jul-19	15-Aug-19
FLBHD	Interim Dividend	1.00	4-Apr-19	29-Jul-19	31-Jul-19	19-Aug-19
EVERGRN	Final Dividend	0.48	25-Apr-19	30-Jul-19	1-Aug-19	16-Aug-19
MRCB	First and Final Dividend	1.75	29-Apr-19	30-Jul-19	31-Jul-19	23-Aug-19
FLBHD	Interim Dividend	1.00	27-May-19	30-Jul-19	31-Jul-19	19-Aug-19
TALWRK	Interim Dividend	1.20	28-May-19	30-Jul-19	31-Jul-19	27-Aug-19
AIRASIA	Special Dividend	90.00	29-May-19	30-Jul-19	31-Jul-19	29-Aug-19
POHUAT	First Interim Dividend	2.00	27-Jun-19	30-Jul-19	31-Jul-19	15-Aug-19
CHOOBEE	Final Dividend	5.00	29-Mar-19	6-Aug-19	8-Aug-19	28-Aug-19
YINSON	Final Dividend	2.00	27-Mar-19	6-Aug-19	8-Aug-19	28-Aug-19
CRESNDO	Final Dividend	3.00	26-Mar-19	7-Aug-19	9-Aug-19	29-Aug-19
KMLOONG	Final Dividend	3.00	26-Mar-19	7-Aug-19	9-Aug-19	29-Aug-19
TGUAN	Final Dividend	8.00	29-Apr-19	7-Aug-19	8-Aug-19	28-Aug-19
MBG	Final Dividend	1.50	29-May-19	8-Aug-19	9-Aug-19	23-Aug-19
PANTECH	Final Dividend	1.00	27-Jun-19	8-Aug-19	9-Aug-19	23-Aug-19
ELKDESA	Final Dividend	3.50	11-Jun-19	15-Aug-19	16-Aug-19	28-Aug-19
LBS	First and Final Dividend	1.80	19-Apr-19	28-Aug-19	30-Aug-19	27-Sep-19
WONG	Interim Dividend	0.50	20-Jun-19	28-Aug-19	29-Aug-19	19-Sep-19
HOMERIZ	Interim Dividend	2.00	8-Jul-19	29-Aug-19	30-Aug-19	26-Sep-19
PANAMY	Final Dividend	211.00	28-May-19	6-Sep-19	10-Sep-19	25-Sep-19
PANSAR	First and Final Dividend	1.00	25-Jun-19	6-Sep-19	10-Sep-19	26-Sep-19
DOMINAN	Final Dividend	1.50	9-Jul-19	6-Sep-19	10-Sep-19	20-Sep-19
COMFORT	Final Dividend	1.50	31-May-19	11-Sep-19	12-Sep-19	26-Sep-19
ATAIMS	Final Dividend	3.29	5-Jul-19	13-Sep-19	17-Sep-19	27-Sep-19
AYS	Final Dividend	1.00	24-Jun-19	26-Sep-19	27-Sep-19	18-Oct-19
LAYHONG	Final Dividend	0.50	10-Jul-19	21-Oct-19	22-Oct-19	13-Nov-19
APOLLO	First and Final Dividend	20.00	27-Jun-19	11-Dec-19	12-Dec-19	8-Jan-20

Source: Bursa Malaysia

(*) Denotes newly announced dividends

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BUY	Total return is expected to exceed +10% over a 12-month period
HOLD	Total return is expected to be between -5% and +10% over a 12-month period
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