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Finalists for 15th Asia Insurance Industry Awards announced

Singapore, 24 August 2011 - In the hotly contested annual Asia Insurance Industry Awards, which received more than 500 entries for 15 categories, the distinguished panel of 29 judges, comprising leaders and regulators from the insurance industry, has chosen the top list of the 45 finalists.

The categories range from insurance, reinsurance and broking company of the year to service providers, innovation and personalities. They drew entries from big and small, old and new players from markets all over Asia, stretching from Australia to China and India.

The Judging Panel which met today at the Marina Bay Sands in Singapore was highly impressed by the quality of the entrants and felt that the entries showed the breadth and depth of the insurance industry in Asia and the way they responded to the unique and diverse challenges in the various market.

The Awards launched in 1996 jointly by Asia Insurance Review and The Review Worldwide to recognise and salute excellence in the insurance industry has become a much coveted and prestigious endorsement by peers in the industry and is one of the highlights of the insurance calendar. The Awards are sponsored by some of the very big names in the industry.

To mark Asia's coming of age on the world stage, for the first time in the history of the Awards, the organisers decided to change the rules to announce the top three finalists in each category. They are in alphabetical order by category:

Life Insurance Company	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BOC Group Life Assurance Co Ltd, Hong Kong; • Great Eastern Life Assurance Co Ltd, Singapore; • Samsung Life Insurance Co, South Korea
General Insurance Company	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chartis Singapore; • Lonpac Insurance Bhd, Malaysia; • MS&AD Insurance Group
Educational Service Provider	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ANZIF, Australia; • Micro Insurance Academy, India; • Singapore College of Insurance
Reinsurance Broker	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aon Benfield; • Guy Carpenter

Broker	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • India Insure; • Marsh; • Willis Asia
Risk Manager	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aviva Investors Asia; • Bharti AXA General Insurance; India; • Doug Caldwell from ING Insurance Asia/Pacific, Hong Kong
Innovation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AIR Worldwide; • ING Insurance Asia Pacific & Life HK; • Macquarie Adviser Services, Australia
Service Provider	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AIR Worldwide; • BELFOR Asia; • Crawford & Company, Singapore
Life Reinsurer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Munich Re; • RGA; • Swiss Re
General Reinsurer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Asia Capital Re; • Munich Re; • Swiss Re
Corporate Social Responsibility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PT AIA Financial, Indonesia; • Cathay Life Insurance, Taiwan; • Samsung Life Insurance Co, South Korea
Green Company	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ACE Group; • HSBC Insurance
Technology Initiative	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bravura Solutions, Australia; • eBao Tech, China; • NextIX, Singapore; • RMSI, India
Personality of the Year	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • David Fried Group General Manager & Group Head of Insurance HSBC Holdings • Syed Moheeb Syed Kamarulzaman President/CEO Takaful Ikhlas Sdn Bhd • Geoff Riddell Chairman for Asia-Pacific Zurich Financial Services Group

Distinguished Panel of Judges:

Annie Choi, Commissioner of Insurance, Hong Kong

Adisorn Pipatworapong, Executive Director of Market Conduct Law Department, Office of Insurance Commission, Thailand

Huang Tien-Mu, Director General, Insurance Bureau, Financial Supervisory Commission, Taiwan

Alan Wilson, Regional Co-Chief Executive Officer, MSIG Holdings (Asia) Pte Ltd

Arthur Lee, Chief Executive Officer, Tokio Marine Asia Pte Ltd

Bernd Kohn, Chief Executive Officer & Principal Officer, Munich Re Singapore Branch

Chai Sophonpanich, Chairman and President, Bangkok Insurance Public Co Ltd

Christopher Ho, Chairman, Singapore Reinsurers' Association

Clarence Yeung, Managing Director & Head of South/East/Southeast Asia, Swiss Reinsurance Company

David L Fried, Group General Manager and Group Head of Insurance, HSBC Holdings plc

David Kinloch, Chief Executive Officer, Labuan IBFC Inc Sdn Bhd

Geoff Riddell, Member of the Group Executive Committee & Chairman, Asia Pacific & Middle East, Zurich Financial Services Ltd

Hashim Harun, Chairman, General Insurance Association of Malaysia

Henry C V Keeling, Former President & CEO, International Operations, Guy Carpenter & Company Ltd

Hiroshi Fukushima, President & Chief Executive, The Toa Reinsurance Co Ltd

Jose Ribeiro, Director, International Markets, Lloyd's

Keishi Nakamura, Managing Director, Sompo Japan Asia Holdings Pte Ltd

Leslie J Mouat, Chairman, Chartis Asia Pacific

Malcolm Steingold, Chief Executive Officer, Asia Pacific, AON Benfield Asia Pte Ltd

Michael Morrissey, President & Chief Executive Officer, International Insurance Society Inc

Patrick M Liedtke, Secretary General & Managing Director, The Geneva Association

Richard Austen, Chairman, Reinsurance Brokers' Association (Singapore)

Scott Ryrie, Chief Executive Officer, Allianz SE Reinsurance Branch Asia Pacific

Shih Tsan-Ming, Chairman, Fubon Insurance Co Ltd

Simon Machell, Chief Executive Officer, Asia Pacific, Aviva Asia Pte Ltd

Stephen Collins, Group Chief Executive Officer, ReMark International B.V.

Teddy Hailamsah, President, EAIC Executive Board & Secretary-General, Asean Insurance Council

Tony Cheng, Chief Executive Officer, Hong Kong and Southeast Asia/Senior Vice President, Asia, RGA Reinsurance Company

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