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Its partnership with Schroder Singapore is to develop specialist investment solutions for the local sophisticated wealth market

by NG MIN SHEN

MAYBANK Asset Management Group Bhd (Maybank AM) is expected to see growth in its assets under management (AUM) by up to US\$50 million (RM210 million) in two years, via its partnership with Schro-der Investment Management (Singapore) Ltd (Schroder Singapore) to develop specialist investment solutions for the local sophisticated wealth market

The long-term strategic collaboration will be initiated via the Global High Dividend Equity Portfo-lio and the Global High Conviction Portfolio, to be launched in Novem-

Speaking to reporters at the AUM launching in Kuala Lumpur yester-day, Maybank AM CEO Badrul Hisyam Abu Bakar said the portfolios will be developed over the next 12 to 24 months.

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Badrul Hisyam (left) with Schroder Singapore CEO Susan Soh during the press conference for the strategic partnership signing between Maybank AM and Schroder Singapore in Kuala Lumpur yesterday

combination of a few clients," he

As at the end of September 2018, Maybank AM's AUM stood at RM33.7 billion. The group has entities across Malaysia, Singapore and Indonesia offering fund management services for conventional and Islamic assets.

Both solutions, which will be offered to sophisticated investors, will be managed by Maybank AM's unit, Maybank Asset Management Malaysia Sdn Bhd, while Schroder Singapore will act as the investment advisor.

The partnership will leverage on Maybank AM's regional footprint and Schroder Singapore's global expertise in recognition of growing demand for sophisticated, outcome-oriented global investment solutions particularly among high-networth individuals.

'We're based in South-East Asia,

so our coverage is quite limited, therefore with the partnership, we can offer more global exposure. It's important for investors to have resources on the ground when managing this kind of portfolio," Badrul Hisyam said.

Under the partnership, the group also plans to launch at least two to three more funds in 2019, potentially catering to retail and institutional investors as well.

The two parties will continue collaborating to co-develop solutions across other asset classes next year,

including Shariah-compliant investments and private assets.

"We're looking at rolling out the Shariah-compliant offering by the second half or third quarter of 2019" Rodwil Hissam said 2019," Badrul Hisyam said.

The Global High Dividend Equity Portfolio is designed for investors eyeing both investment growth and income with an investment horizon of three to five years.

As an absolute return-focused offering, its concentrated portfolio consists of 20 to 30 liquid stocks with sustainable dividend yield of 5%.

Likely companies under the portfolio include REITs (real estate investment trusts), concessionaires, large consumer players, and other market leaders in monopolistic-like positions with stable revenue and predictable cashflows.

Meanwhile, the Global High Conviction Equity Portfolio is tailored for investors seeking to achieve capital appreciation over an investment horizon of three to five years.

The offering, which is also absolute return-focused, has a concentrated portfolio containing a maximum of 20 investment ideas that provide exposure to favoured long-term structural themes, such as technological disruption and global ageing populations.

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(From left) MAMG chief investment officer Abdul Razak Ahmad, chairman Dr Hasnita Hashim, Badrul Hisyam, Soh as well as Schroders head of private assets Alan Cauberghs and CEO Simon Lints at the launch of MAMG's long-term strategic partnership with Schroders to co-develop a range of specialist investment solutions targeting Malaysia's wealth market in Kuala Lumpur yesterday.

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KUALA LUMPUR: Maybank Asset Management Group (MAMG) expects to increase its assets under management (AUM) by US\$30 million (RM125.7 million) to US\$50 million in the next two years with the rollout of two new products co-developed with Schroder Investment Management (Singapore) Ltd (Schroders).

MAMG yesterday inked a memorandum of understanding for a long-term strategic partnership with Schroders to co-develop a range of specialist investment solutions targeting Malaysia's wealth market.

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Following the introduction of the portfolios known as Global High Dividend Equity Portfolio and Global High Conviction Portfolio, MAMG hopes to raise between US\$30mil (RM125.64mil) and US\$50mil (RM209.4mil) in asset under management (AUM).

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The integration of MAMG's strength in local wealth management and Schroders' global investment capabilities shall allow MAMG to deepen its foothold in the Malaysian wealth market, through dedicated offerings designed to achieve investors' desired outcomes, MAMG CEO Badrul Hisyam Abu Bakar said after the memorandum of understanding (MoU) signing between both parties.

"We remain committed to delivering a range of global investment strategies to cater to the high net-worth community's evolving financial needs, through a pioneering tie-up with Schroders," he said.

Maybank asset unit sees AUM expanding

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Schroders deepens access to Malaysia via Maybank AM tie-up

By Wong Wei Han November 14, 2018

Editor's note: this article has been revised with clarifications from Schroders.

Schroder Investment Management is bolstering its business in Malaysia through a partnership with Maybank Asset Management, which initially targets sophisticated investors with discretionary portfolios.

Schroders Singapore and Maybank AM announced their "long-term strategic partnership" on Tuesday.

Two discretionary portfolios were already launched on November 1 under the partnership, with Schroders acting as investment advisor to the portfolios, targeting high-net-worth investors in Malaysia.

Plans to expand into more asset classes and client segments next year are also on the cards.



Susan Soh, Schroders

"Looking into 2019, we plan to expand our partnership to further co-develop innovative solutions catering to institutional investors and multi-channels across the wealth market in Malaysia," Susan Soh, Schroders Singapore's country head, tells *Ignites Asia*.

The two companies will also broaden the focus of their partnership to other asset classes, such as sharia-compliant products and private assets, Soh adds.

The two newly launched portfolios – Global High Dividend Equity and Global High Conviction – are managed by Maybank AM, with Schroders Singapore as investment advisor.

The Global High Dividend Equity portfolio comprises 20 to 30 liquid stocks with overall portfolio yield of 5%. The Global High Conviction portfolio contains up to 20 of Schroders' best investment ideas, with the aim of providing capital appreciation over three to five years, Soh says.

Growing through partnerships

Schroders does not currently have an on-the-ground presence in Malaysia but it does already have a sizable feeder fund business in the country. The company had RM\$5.6 billion (US\$1.33 billion) in feeder fund assets under management as of end-2017, according to data from Cerulli Associates.

"We view strategic partnerships as significant steps towards the long-term growth of Schroders' business in Southeast Asia," Soh says.

Schroders says its tie-up with Maybank AM marks the first strategic partnership that it has in Malaysia. This partnership differs from a typical subadvisory arrangement in that Schroders is involved in the customisation of products.

As it seeks further growth in Southeast Asia, Schroders intends to focus on developing partnerships with local players.

Schroders' approach is similar to that of J.P. Morgan Asset Management, which focuses on feeder and subadvisory partnerships to expand in Southeast Asia instead of opening local offices, as <u>reported</u>.

Meanwhile, Maybank AM is no stranger to leveraging on foreign partners' global capabilities to roll out new offerings in Malaysia.

The Kuala Lumpur-headquartered firm last month <u>launched</u> a small-cap Asia equities fund, which is a feeder to the BNY Mellon Asia Rising Stars fund.

The partnership with Schroders is expected to give Maybank AM another global product to better compete in the market.



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Schroders had £439.1 billion (US\$566.57 billion) in assets under management globally as of end-September. According to its half-year update, the Asia-Pacific region accounted for £102.7 billion of total AUM.

Regionally, the London-headquartered firm is present in South Korea, Japan, Taiwan, Hong Kong, Singapore, Indonesia and Australia.

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By Tom King

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The latest deal announced on Tuesday sees Schroders Investment Management's Singapore unit tie the knot with Malaysia's Maybank Asset Management. Under the arrangement the firms will co-develop a range of specialist investment solutions for the growing wealth market in Malaysia.

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Most recently, family owned private bank Bordier & Cie inked an agreement with Hanoi-based Military Commercial Joint Stock Bank to jointly develop and launch a new private banking service for the Vietnamese market.

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Maybank AM, Schroders ink pact targeting Malaysian HNWIs

By Audrey Raj / 14 Nov, 2018 at 02:20



Maybank Asset Management (Maybank AM) has joined forces with Schroder Investment Management to develop specialist investment solutions for Malaysia's growing wealth segment.

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Further collaboration projects will follow in 2019 to co-develop solutions across other asset classes, including Shariah-compliant investments and private assets.

For Schroders, this partnership is a significant step towards the long-term growth of its business in Southeast Asia, its Singapore country head Susan Soh told *Citywire Asia*.

According to Badrul Hisya CEO of Maybank AM, there is a growing demand for sophisticated, outcome-oriented global investment solutions, particularly among the high-net-worth (HNW) community in Malaysia.

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Managing about RM33.7 billion (\$8 billion) in assets, Maybank AM has entities across three key ASEAN markets namely Malaysia, Singapore and Indonesia.

It provides a diverse range of Asian-focused investment solutions for conventional and Islamic assets, plus offers alternative investment solutions through its private equity arm.

Maybank's private banking unit, on the other hand, manages about RMB 13 billion (\$2 billion) in assets.

In an interview with <u>Citywire Asia previously</u>, the bank's head of community financial services Datuk Hamirullah Bin Boorhan said although Malaysian HNWIs invest in Singapore and Hong Kong, 'clients are also keen to keep their money locally because of higher yields on cash and bonds.'

As such, the country has been developing its private banking business by upskilling bankers and enhancing product offerings. What's more, Malaysian regulators have also been making an effort to retain funds onshore with the launch of new rules.

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Maybank-Schroders tie-up targets Malaysia's wealthy

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By Francis Nikolai Acosta, 13 Nov 18



In a strategic tie-up, the two firms expect to launch products for Malaysia's high net worth segment this month.



Maybank Asset Management and Schroder Investment Management in Singapore have established a strategic partnership to co-develop a range of investment products for Malaysia's sophisticated wealthy investors, according to a joint statement

The collaboration hopes to draw on the regional presence of Maybank AM and the global investment capabilities of Schroders

Maybank AM, which has entities in Malaysia, Singapore and Indonesia, provides conventional and Islamic Asian-focused products to institutional, retail and high net worth investors. It also offers alternative investment products through its private equity arm, according to the statement.

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Maybank AM manages RM 33.7bn (\$8.04bn) in assets, while Schroders' AUM is \$593.3bn globally, according to the statement.

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Maybank Asset Management and Schroders enter strategic partnership targeting Malaysian wealth market

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