

BPA signs agreement to provide sukuk data

THE country's sole bond pricing agency, BPA Malaysia has signed an agreement to provide Ringgit-denominated sukuk data to *Thomson Reuters'* newly launched Islamic Finance Gateway.

Befitting Malaysia's position as the largest issuer of sukuk in the world, BPA Malaysia's market standard data can now be

accessed through the Islamic Finance Gateway by a global audience.

This key data includes the first ever Index for Ringgit sukuk, League Tables and comprehensive profit yield curves.

The availability of such up-to-date, independent and accurate information will help boost Malaysia's attractiveness as an

investment location as a whole, said BPA in a statement yesterday.

"This is a defining moment for BPA Malaysia. With the addition of our profit yields and sukuk index data on Thomson Reuters' Islamic Finance Gateway, BPA Malaysia takes a step forward in strengthening its partnership with *Thomson Reu-*

ters and its relationship with the Islamic Finance community globally.

"At last, the Islamic financial market can now have information quality at par with the conventional markets and we look forward to its continued success", said Meor Amri Meor Ayob, BPA Malaysia's chief executive officer in the statement.