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## Mizuho Securities Co., Ltd. Collaborates with Maybank Kim Eng to Widen Brokerage Coverage in Asia

Mizuho Securities Co., Ltd and Maybank Kim Eng have entered into an agreement to expand their regional collaboration in the equity brokerage business for Asian markets.

Under the agreement, Mizuho Securities Co., Ltd and its overseas subsidiaries (collectively "Mizuho Securities Group"), will be able to offer Maybank Kim Eng Group's research reports and corporate access services to Mizuho's institutional clients in Japan. Mizuho Securities Group will channel orders placed by these clients to Maybank Kim Eng, who is known for its strong execution capabilities and access to ASEAN markets.

ASEAN is one of the fastest growing regions in the world and the partnership will benefit these clients, as they will gain from Maybank Kim Eng's deep understanding and wide knowledge of the region, as well as access to investment opportunities of the ASEAN market. Maybank Kim Eng, on the other hand, will be able to leverage Mizuho's strong franchise in the Japanese domestic market.

The partnership will complement the business of both groups and harbours potential to build new business opportunities and further collaboration in various areas.

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## About Maybank Kim Eng

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