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# YCH GROUP BREAKS GROUND ON RM500-MILLION SUPPLY CHAIN CITY® MALAYSIA IN SIME DARBY PROPERTY'S BANDAR BUKIT RAJA, STRENGTHENING ASEAN CONNECTIVITY AND MALAYSIAN LOGISTICS ECOSYSTEM

Selangor's Newest Smart Logistics Complex Set to Transform Regional Supply Chain Landscape

**Selangor, Malaysia, 29 May 2025 –** YCH Group today marked a significant milestone with the groundbreaking of Supply Chain City<sup>®</sup> Malaysia ("SCC MY"), a RM500 million project located within Bandar Bukit Raja ("BBR"), Selangor, an integrated, award-winning township developed by Sime Darby Property Berhad ("Sime Darby Property").

The groundbreaking ceremony was attended by YB Senator Tengku Datuk Seri Utama Zafrul Tengku Abdul Aziz, Minister of Investment, Trade and Industry (MITI) Malaysia, Mr Shivakumar Nair, Singapore Acting High Commissioner to Malaysia, Tan Sri Nazir Razak, Chairman of the ASEAN-BAC, Malaysia Chapter, Dr Robert Yap, Executive Chairman of YCH Group, Mr Ryan Yap, Country General Manager, YCH Group Malaysia, Dato' Seri Azmir Merican, Group Managing Director & Chief Executive Officer of Sime Darby Property, as well as key customers and partners of YCH Group.

This project, which is YCH Group's largest in Malaysia to-date, represents their long-term commitment to Malaysia's regional supply chain development and a significant step in realising the country's vision as a leading logistics and trade hub in ASEAN. As part of YCH Group's SGConnect<sup>™</sup> initiative, SCC MY is poised to serve as a key enabler of regional connectivity, supporting smoother trade flows and future-ready logistics infrastructure.

**YB Tengku Zafrul said**, "As the lifeblood of global commerce, good logistics is key to ensuring the smooth and cost-efficient movement of goods and services. As such, we are pleased to welcome YCH Group's RM500-million investment in this sector in Malaysia. We would also like to see them being more inclusive by enabling SME exporters to also access the global market. When trade flows seamlessly, investors see greater opportunities, fuelling further growth and innovation. This is what will support our New

Industrial Master Plan's goals to increase our competitiveness and position Malaysia a key manufacturing and services hub for ASEAN and beyond."

Datuk Sikh Shamsul Ibrahim Sikh Abdul Majid, CEO of the Malaysian Investment Development Authority (MIDA), lauded, "This landmark project marks a significant milestone for Malaysia's logistics sector. As the first recipient of MIDA's Smart Logistics Complex incentive, YCH Group sets a powerful precedent for our nation's integrated smart logistics future. This achievement reflects our commitment to attracting highimpact investments and strengthening Malaysia's supply chain ecosystem through innovation and automation. The SLC incentive aligns perfectly with the Deklarasi Kuala Lumpur: ASEAN 2045, supporting our vision of a digitally advanced, economically resilient ASEAN region."

Anchored by YCH's FUSIONARIS® system and the LEARN<sup>™</sup> ecosystem, SCC MY is set to deliver advanced automation and scalable logistics solutions that drive economic value. Built on five pillars — Living Supply Chain, Experiential Workplace Learning, Asia's Network of Thought Leaders, Reinvent Tomorrow, and Nurturing Disruptive Innovators — LEARN<sup>™</sup> each designed for fostering skills and excellence within the supply chain sector. This long-term investment positions SCC MY as a future-ready hub of innovation and growth, enhancing regional connectivity, and contributing to ASEAN's vision of a well-connected economic community.

**Dr Robert Yap, Executive Chairman of YCH Group**, remarked, "Supply Chain City<sup>®</sup> Malaysia is a major step forward in setting new standards of logistics excellence, supporting Malaysia's growth as a world-class supply chain leader. Our investment in FUSIONARIS<sup>®</sup> and advanced technologies reflect our commitment to regional connectivity, efficient operations, and sustainable practices. We are also dedicated to training local talent, empowering them with essential skills to support Malaysia's journey as a preferred destination for global businesses.

The Supply Chain and Logistics Academy ("SCALA"), an industry-level development academy, will be hosted at SCC MY. It offers training programmes to equip local talent with the skills needed to thrive in tomorrow's logistics landscape, ultimately enabling Malaysia's workforce to remain competitive on the global stage.

This milestone highlights the successful collaboration between YCH Group and Sime Darby Property in bringing a world-class supply chain hub to life within one of Selangor's most strategically connected and mature townships.

Dato' Seri Azmir Merican, Group Managing Director & Chief Executive Officer of Sime Darby Property, said: "Welcoming a global logistics leader like YCH Group to Bandar Bukit Raja reflects the confidence placed in our industrial developments as well as our ability to deliver integrated, future-ready townships. This collaboration is the result of our deliberate and selective approach in curating impactful partnerships that create longterm value. As Malaysia continues to carry out its role as Chair of ASEAN in 2025, this project is a timely example of cross-border collaboration, aligning with the region's shared focus on economic integration, sustainable and inclusive growth, while also strengthening trade linkages, supporting innovation, and contributing meaningfully to broader regional priorities."

BBR is a 5,333-acre integrated township known for its sustainable design and thriving industrial ecosystem. With close to 60% of its landbank allocated for industrial use, BBR is home to Malaysia's first GreenRE Platinum-rated managed industrial park and has become a preferred destination for multinational corporations seeking ready infrastructure, connectivity and ESG-aligned developments.

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#### About MIDA

The Malaysian Investment Development Authority (MIDA) is the government's principal investment promotion and development agency under the Ministry of Investment, Trade and Industry (MITI). MIDA oversees and drives investments into Malaysia's manufacturing and services sectors. Headquartered in Kuala Lumpur Sentral, MIDA operates through 12 regional and 21 overseas offices, serving as a strategic partner to businesses in leveraging opportunities from the ongoing technological revolution. For more information, please visit www.mida.gov.my and follow us on X, Instagram, Facebook, LinkedIn, TikTok, and YouTube.

#### About YCH Group

YCH Group is Singapore's leading homegrown end-to-end supply chain solutions provider, with a presence in over 100 cities across the Asia Pacific. YCH focuses on boosting productivity and sustainability for its customers with its proprietary best-in-class suite of award-winning solutions across industries such as fast-moving consumer goods, electronics, chemical and healthcare, cold chain logistics, and e-Commerce. A strong proponent of innovation, YCH is recognised for its 7PL<sup>™</sup> approach in seamlessly integrating supply chain strategy with execution. Its leadership in initiatives like the ASEAN Smart Logistics Network (ASLN) underscores its pivotal role in advancing the goals of regional frameworks and multilateral trade agreements, such as the ASEAN Economic Community (AEC), the Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP), and the Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership (CPTPP).

#### About Sime Darby Property Berhad

With over 50 years of experience, Sime Darby Property leads in creating master-planned communities, setting the benchmark for quality, innovation, and sustainability in residential, integrated and high-rise projects within its 25 townships and developments across Malaysia.

As it transitions into a real estate company by 2025, the company drives the industrial and logistics segment in Elmina Business Park, Bandar Bukit Raja, and Hamilton Nilai City. Propelling its recurring income portfolio, Sime Darby Property is also the first public-listed property developer in Malaysia to venture into the creation of development funds in the industrial and logistics sector.

The company has pledged to achieve Net Zero carbon emissions by 2050, referencing the science-based target of limiting global temperature rise to 1.5°C. A consistent champion for biodiversity, Sime Darby Property is a constituent of the MSCI ACWI Small Cap Index with an MSCI ESG Rating of BBB, is rated by the Carbon Disclosure Project, and has been re-included in both the FTSE4Good Bursa Malaysia Index and the FTSE4Good Bursa Malaysia Shariah Index, affirming its commitment to strong ESG practices.

Part of the respectable Malaysian consortium that successfully regenerated the iconic Battersea Power Station in the United Kingdom, Sime Darby Property also owns the multi-award-winning Kuala Lumpur Golf & Country Club, which hosts the prestigious LPGA-sanctioned Maybank Championship.

Driven by its Purpose to be a Value Multiplier for people, businesses, economies, and the planet, Sime Darby Property, through its philanthropic arm, Yayasan Sime Darby, continuously creates positive social impacts for the communities it serves.

Sime Darby Property has been recognised as Malaysia's number one property developer at 'The Edge Malaysia's Top Property Developers Awards 2024', with other notable achievements, including Gold and Silver wins at the prestigious FIABCI World Prix d'Excellence Awards 2023, number one in the All-Stars Award at the StarProperty Awards 2025, a number one ranking for the Top of The Chart Award in the RM1 billion and above market capitalisation category at the Malaysia Developer Awards 2024, a Top 10 Developers (Malaysia) Award at the BCI Asia Awards 2024, a Platinum ranking in the Property Development category at the Putra Brand Awards 2023, and a People's Choice Award at the PropertyGuru Asia Awards Malaysia 2024. Apart from that, Sime Darby Property is listed on the Fortune Southeast Asia 500 list, one of only 89 Malaysian companies to be featured on the inaugural listicle. For more information, log on to www.simedarbyproperty.com

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