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*“Leadership and Innovation in a Changing Global Environment”*  
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The Empire Hotel & Country Club**

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**Bismillahir Rahmaanir Rahim**

**Alhamdulillahil Rabbi 'Alamin, Wassalatu Wassalamu 'Ala Asy-rafil Ambiya E'wal Mursalin,  
Sayyidina Muhammadin Wa'ala Alihi Wasahbihi Ajma'in Wa Ba'adu**

Our Guest of Honour,  
Yang Berhormat Dato Seri Setia Awang Hj Ali bin Apong,  
Minister of Primary Resources and Tourism  
Other members of AMBD Board of Directors

Permanent Secretaries and Deputy Permanent Secretaries

Your Excellency Ambassadors and High Commissioners

Dr. Emir Hrnjic,  
Chief Executive Officer of CIBFM

Members of CIBFM Berhad's Board of Directors

Senior Executives from the Public and Private Sectors

Distinguished Speakers, Panelists and Participants,

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Assalamualaikum Warahmatullahi Wabarakatuh and a very Good Morning.

1. It is indeed a great honour to welcome all of you to the inaugural Leadership Conference organised by CIBFM. We have with us today distinguished speakers, both from Brunei Darussalam as well as from abroad who are experts in their own field. I would like to take this opportunity to express my deepest gratitude to you, for making time out of your busy schedule to share with us your wisdom, experience and esteemed advice on today's theme of "Leadership and Innovation in a Changing Global Environment".
2. The theme holds, great importance for the current and future leaders. Today's leadership and innovation have to be hand in hand, simply because, leaders are facing challenges and changes that are rapidly transforming in the form of where, how, and with whom

they do business. This new horizon requires leaders to anticipate trends and proactively define innovative strategies as well as seize opportunities to drive success.

Ladies and gentlemen,

3. As we know, globalization is rapidly redefining today's business environment. This means we are constantly witnessing significant strategic shifts in terms of transforming the playing field and creating vast opportunities for growth. Hence, the pool of high-performing talent as future leaders capable of seizing those opportunities must also grow.
4. It is thus the aim of the conference to impart to audience what matters to leaders in this changing global environment. From what you can see in the programme, you will be able to listen to a variety of perspectives on leadership and innovation; that will provide diversity of views to participants.

Ladies and gentlemen,

5. Many of our speakers today have a wealth of experiences to share. I am sure this conference will provide an avenue for the transfer of knowledge from current to future leaders and we can look forward to a full day of insightful and productive discussion. In closing, I would like to express my deepest appreciation to Yang Berhormat Dato Seri Setia Awang Haji Ali bin Apong, Minister of Primary Resources and Tourism and member of AMBD Board of Directors for gracing this wonderful event and delivering the keynote address. Once again, special thank you to our prominent speakers and panelists. Last but not least I wish to thank the organizing committee sponsors, governments and private agencies for organising the event and for the excellent arrangement. I wish everybody a fruitful and productive session today.

Wabillahittaufiq Walhidayah.

Wassalamualaikum Warahmatullahi Wabarakatuh.

Thank you.