

# What's New?

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- On 21 July 2020, the Securities Commission Malaysia announced an enhanced initial public offering (IPO) framework to promote greater shared responsibility among key stakeholders involved in the submission of an IPO for listing on the Main Market of Bursa Malaysia.



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- The new framework is also applicable for Reverse Takeover (RTO) submissions.
  - Key features of the enhanced IPO framework are as follows:
  - Introduces Mandatory Holistic Consultation Process to Facilitate Greater Efficiency;
  - Longer Exposure Period for Draft Prospectus;
  - Liberalize Principal Adviser Regime; and
  - Bursa to be in charge of registering prospectuses of ACE Market IPO
  - The new framework will **take effect on 1 January 2021**.





## Listing Criteria - (1) Main Market

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- Bursa Malaysia offers a choice of three markets to companies seeking for listing in Malaysia:
  - Main Market is a prime market for established companies that have met the standards in terms of quality, size and operations. Potential issuers for the Main Market must demonstrate that they have achieved minimum profit track record or minimum size measured by market capitalization;





## Listing Criteria - (2) ACE Market

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- Bursa Malaysia offers a choice of three markets to companies seeking for listing in Malaysia:
  - ACE Market is a sponsor-driven market designed for companies with growth prospects. It was formerly known as the MESDAQ Market prior to 3 August 2009. Sponsors must assess suitability of the potential issuers, taking into consideration attributes such as business prospects, corporate conduct and adequacy of internal control.
  - Main Market and ACE Market provide companies with greater visibility via the capital market and a clearly defined platform to raise funds from both institutional and retail investors; and

## Listing Criteria - (2) LEAP Market

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- Bursa Malaysia offers a choice of three markets to companies seeking for listing in Malaysia:
  - LEAP Market is an adviser-driven market which aims to provide emerging companies, including small- and medium-sized enterprises with greater fund raising access and visibility via the capital market. It is accessible only to sophisticated investors (as prescribed under the Capital Markets and Services Act 2007).



The summary of the relevant listing criteria is as follows:- Main Market



The summary of the relevant listing criteria is as follows:- ACE Market

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The summary of the relevant listing criteria is as follows:- LEAP Market

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