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## LAUNCHING OF MEKAR FINTECH INNOVATION CENTRE

- 1. Brunei Darussalam Central Bank (BDCB) officially unveiled the Mekar FinTech Innovation Centre on Thursday, 12 Jamadilawal 1446 corresponding to 14 November 2024.
- 2. The establishment of Mekar FinTech Innovation Centre is a strategic project under the Financial Sector Blueprint 2016-2025 and BDCB's Strategic Plan 2021-2025. Located at the iCentre Building, Kg Anggerek Desa, it serves as a platform for businesses to seek guidance on regulatory matters, as well as a centre to promote collaboration and innovation among the FinTech community by providing modern coworking facilities and a collaborative event space for FinTech stakeholders.
- 3. The event, which was attended by senior officers in BDCB and stakeholders from the FinTech community, commenced with welcoming remarks by Yang Mulia Haji Mohd Khairul Zaki bin Haji Mohidin, Head of FinTech, BDCB.
- 4. In officiating the launch of the Mekar FinTech Innovation Centre, Yang Mulia Hajah Rokiah binti Haji Badar, Managing Director, BDCB, then delivered a keynote address which highlighted **the centre's role** as a catalyst for FinTech innovation by providing a platform for FinTech stakeholders, including entrepreneurs, industry experts, technology providers, academia and the regulator to collaborate and drive innovation and support the growth of FinTech activities in Brunei Darussalam.
- 5. For more information about Mekar FinTech Innovation Centre, please visit the BDCB website at www.bdcb.gov.bn.

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