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**OCBC Bank wins market risk management award for 2011**

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- The bank accomplished a key milestone in market risk management by implementing a single system to link operations.
- It achieved the number one spot for Thai baht foreign exchange with approximately 20% market share and 30% sales volumes growth in 2011.

Bangkok, April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2012 – OCBC Bank has been named as the winner of The Achievement in Market Risk Management Award for the year 2011 during the Asian Banker Risk & Regulation Conference. The bank received the award at the Asian Banker Summit 2012 held at the Bangkok Convention Centre on April 26<sup>th</sup> 2012.

OCBC Bank has achieved a key milestone in market risk management by implementing a single system from front-end to back-end operations that has removed troubling inefficiencies in managing multiple systems, and helped automate processes throughout the bank. Despite operating in several diverse markets, thus facing larger exposure compared to other local and regional banks, the bank has demonstrated excellent market risk management.

Accomplishments include, achieving the number one spot for Thai baht foreign exchange with approximately 20% market share and 30% sales volumes growth in 2011 and utilizing an artificial intelligence based tool to aggregate news sources and to predict downgrades. Capital adequacy ratios have been among the highest relative to other Southeast Asian banks. As of June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2011, its core Tier 1 ratio and Tier 1 capital adequacy ratio was 11.9% and 15.4% respectively. A Counterparty Credit Monitoring (CCM) Group has also been formed, to monitor the developments of its capital market business and treasury unit, treasury operation unit, and risk management unit to facilitate communication among stakeholders.

About 1,000 delegates attended the event, consisting of industry specialists, senior bankers, regulators, service providers and decision makers from leading institutions in Asia, the US, Europe and Latin America, where opinions and responses of practitioners from across the region to global issues are shaped. The awards programme, administered by The Asian Banker is Asia's most important annual risk event featuring leading practitioners from a cross-section of banks and global regulators on a number of critical areas affecting the banking industry.

A stringent three-month evaluation process based on a balanced and transparent scorecard had been used to determine the winners.

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