

MORNING BREAK

STOCK MARKET INDEX

FBM KLCI
 1744.71
 **-16.89**
-0.96%

SHANGHAI
 3021.90
 **-22.26**
-0.73%

NIKKEI
 22,713.59
 **-138.16**
-0.60%

DJIA
 25,090.48
 **-84.83**
-0.34%

FTSE
 7633.91
 **-131.88**
-1.70%



BUSINESS & ECONOMIC NEWS

LOCAL

Platform 'Go Global eBay' tarik lebih 3,500 usahawan Malaysia
(Berita Harian)

Alibaba buka pejabat di Malaysia *(Astro Awani)*

M'sian entrepreneurs should capitalise on regional market –
 Eswaran *(Bernama)*

Focus on electric and green cars, Proton vendors told
(The Star)

Malaysia's rating dependent on fiscal measures taken, says
 Moody's *(Malaysian Reserve)*

GLOBAL

Commentary: Attracting millennial talent, the edge start-ups
 have over large enterprises *(Channel NewsAsia)*

Mercari wants to be the first Japan startup to make it in U.S.
(Bloomberg)

Apple's new iPhone software lets you create an animated digital
 version of yourself -- here's how it works *(CNBC)*

Invest in North Korea: Money pit or golden opportunity?
(Channel NewsAsia)

The impact of artificial intelligence on R&D and innovation
(Wall Street Journal)

COMMENT

LABOUR FORCE IN MALAYSIA, APRIL 2018

The labour force participation rate remained at 68.2 per cent in April 2018. Year-on-year showed that, the labour force participation rate increased by 0.5 percentage points (April 2017: 67.7%).

The number of labour force in this month rose 2.5 per cent (March 2018: 2.1%) against April 2017 to 15.3 million persons. During the same period, employed persons increased 2.6 per cent after registering 2.2 per cent growth in the previous month. For more info, click [HERE](#).

Source: DOSM

ECONOMIC INDICATOR	LABOUR FORCE PARTICIPATION RATE
Actual	68.2%
Coverage	Apr/18
Previous	67.7%
Frequency	Monthly
Data Release	June/18