# Innovative Solutions for the Capital Market & Enabling Access for MSMEs

Malaysia Co-investment Fund (MyCIF) - Public-Private Co-Investment Model To Empower MSMEs

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## MSMEs: We need to empower the backbone of our economic growth

#### MSMEs are key contributors to the economy

Contribution to national GDP\*

39.1%

Contribution to national workforce\*

48.5%

- MSMEs need the right financing to grow, compete, and thrive
- Access to financing will be a key enabler of MSME growth

**RM 290 bil** 

Financing gap for MSMEs \*\*

## **MSMEs** see challenges with traditional financing

- 1 MSMEs have limited credit history
- **Early stage startups are deemed too risky**
- MSMEs often have Insufficient collaterals
- 4 Risk profile does not match bank's risk appetite

## **Alternative financing: Bridging the gap for risk capital**

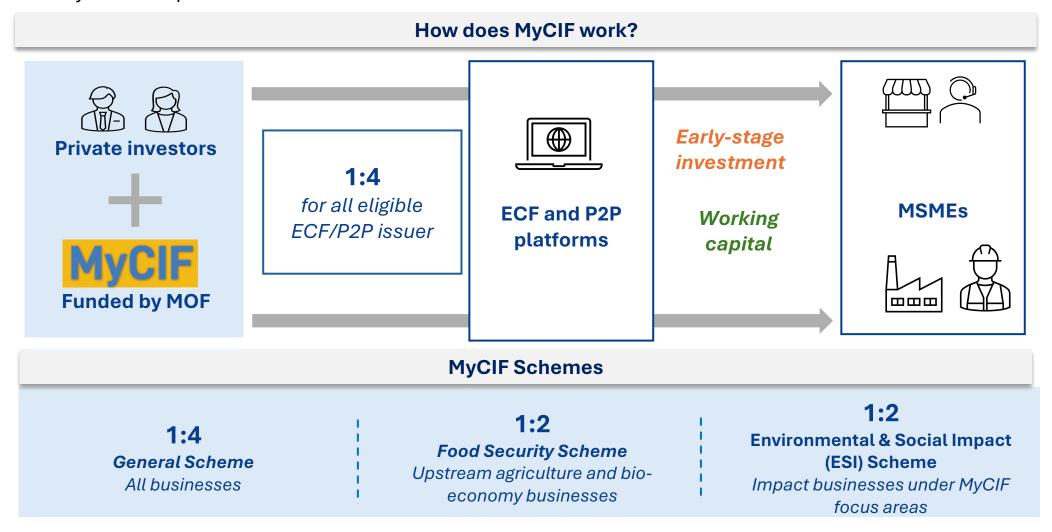
Equity Crowdfunding (ECF) and Peer-to-peer financing (P2P) platforms bridge MSMEs requiring risk capital, with direct access to investors seeking flexible and tailored investment opportunities.

<sup>\*</sup> Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) Performance 2023, DOSM

<sup>\*\*</sup> Catalysing MSME and MTC access to the capital market: 5 year roadmap [2024-2028]

## MyCIF co-invests with private investors into MSMEs, through ECF and P2P platforms

- MyCIF was established by the Ministry of Finance (MoF) under Budget 2019.
- Through its co-investment model, MyCIF successfully crowds in private funds, thereby bolstering the availability of risk capital.



## **MyCIF - A sustainable model for blended finance**

**Total amount** co-invested (RM)

## **Over RM1B**

ECF & P2P campaigns co-invested in

Over 70,000

## **Key features of MyCIF**



#### Relies on wisdom of the crowd

Passive co-investments in MSMEs that have crowded in private investments

4.1x

private investment growth alongside **MyCIF** 



## **Amplifies public money**

Maximizing the impact by reinvesting back into other MSMEs

RM1 from MyCIF is re-invested 9 times on P2P platforms



## **Multiplier impact**

Generate broader economic benefit, beyond the initial funding

3.7x

co-investments growth relative to the initial funding allocated by MOF (data as of Dec23)



## **Shoring up investor confidence**

Malaysian government has skin-in-game in the growth of our MSMEs

**Over** MSMEs have received investments from

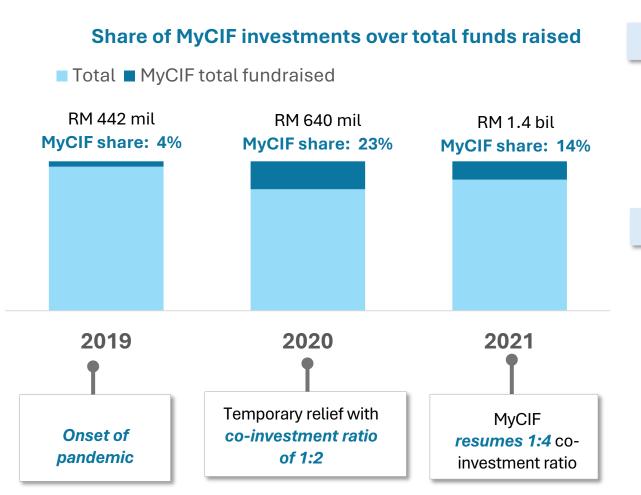
**9.500** *government since inception* 

Replicable model: CoSIF, announced in Feb 2025, replicates the MyCIF model to support the New **Industrial Master Plan 2030 (NIMP) priorities** 

Data as of 31 Dec 2024

## **MyCIF - Building MSME resilience during pandemic**

MyCIF stepped in during the pandemic to support **continued business growth and enable digital pivot** by providing a **temporary relief co-investment ratio of 1:2**, doubling its co-investment size.



#### **Supporting continued business growth**



MyCIF via CapBay was crucial to us during the pandemic, fuelling our growth as an IT solutions company."

Rajasekhar Gummadi, Nityo Infotech Malaysia

#### **Enabling digital pivot during the pandemic**



A brick and mortar 'pan mee' business, **Meet Mee**, **pivoted to digital sales of instant pan mee**. To support this shift, they fundraised approx. RM 1.6 mil via ECF on MyStartr.



A pisang goreng stall, **Bunpah**, which fundraised RM 15k via P2P on microLEAP, expanded to **cater for online food delivery** – after which, sales increased by 30%.

## **MyCIF – Supporting startups in their growth journey**



## **Fueling growth journey of start-ups**

16 companies secured multiple rounds of funding via MyCIF

Startups which started small with MyCIF gained confidence for subsequent fundraising rounds on ECF

39 companies obtained additional funding via VCs

MyCIF beneficiaries on ECF gained visibility from other investors including VC

**83** companies have regional presence

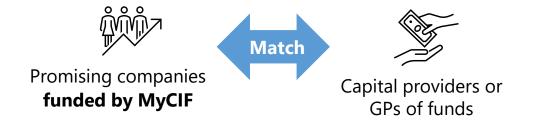
MyCIF enables companies to expand beyond domestic market, leading to regional presence

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#### **GEAR-uP Relay Race Initiative**

Bring together promising **start-ups funded by Government programs such as MyCIF**, for the next stage of capital injections.





## **MyCIF** - Catalysing financing in support of national priorities



A majority of MyCIF beneficiaries are MSMEs

of all MyCIF beneficiaries are micro, small, or medium enterprises

increase in total MyCIF investments into micro enterprises from 2020 to 2023



## Aligning investment with national strategic growth pillars



## **Food Security Scheme**

1:2 co-investment ratio to support ECF campaigns for **upstream** and agriculture and bio-economy businesses

9.2 M

amount co-invested in food security scheme

Increase in agri issuers with **267%** implementation of 1:2 special ratio in 2022 vs 2021



#### **Environmental & Social Impact** Scheme (ESI)

1:2 co-investment ratio to support impact businesses (w.e.f Jun24)

Focus

Environment, community, food security, education and

Areas healthcare



## **Incentives to foster innovation in Islamic Capital Market**

Promote risk-sharing solutions for equitable financial structures, where profits and losses are shared among investors and businesses, fostering ethical and sustainable economic growth.

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