Leveraging Bancassurance as a Key Growth Channel

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FWU’s definition of Bancatakaful

«Bancatakaful is defined as the delivery and distribution of a suitable range of tailored ‘bankable’ protection and long term savings and pension products designed to meet the lifecycle needs of the customer of a bank or other financial institution.»
Increasing the share of bancatakaful in Wealth Management

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| Lifestyle Investment Products |
Branch network

Call Center, Branches and PBs to generate sales leads and referrals to WM advisors and bancasales team
Wealth Management: Sales Organisation

Wealth Management Specialists and Advisors

Direct Sales Force

BANCATEAM Specialist Product Sales Team

Customer Segmentation

Retail
Mass Affluent
Private Clients

Investments and Lifestyle Products to meet customer needs
Wealth Management products

Investments
- Open / Guided Investment architecture

Conventional Insurance
- Group Insurance provider

Bancatakaful
- Third Party providers
- Multiple suppliers

Shelf Space Management Challenges

How to make the elephant dance ?…
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The Takaful industry is poised for significant growth as demand increases and industry enablers are further aligned...

**Demand**
- Economic growth
- Increase in GDP per capita
- Youthful demography
- Greater desire for Shari’a compliant offerings

**Supply**
- Fragmented landscape
- Undercapitalised
- Limited reTakaful capacity
- Limited choice of asset classes

**Facilitation**
- Compulsory protection
- Licensing and increased competition
- Increased market-led initiatives

Source: Ernst & Young World Takaful Report 2008
Growth drivers

- In some countries with majority Muslim populations (Turkey, Egypt, Pakistan, Indonesia) the takaful market is at an embryonic stage.

- Untapped markets: insurance penetration is below 2% of GDP in the Middle East Region

- The global takaful industry is growing at 20% per year, far outstripping the 2.5% annual growth for conventional insurance premiums

- Moody’s has predicted that global takaful premiums will rise to $7bn by 2015.

Source: PWC, “Takaful: Growth opportunities in a dynamic market* 2008
Untapped market potential

• Potential customer base: world’s 1.5 billion Muslims

• Bulk of the world’s Muslim population is young: 60% of the global Muslim population is under 25 years of age.

• The potential to be a customer for 40 years or more.

• Takaful products must be price competitive with conventional insurance products;

• Takaful is inherently ethical and is obliged to invest in sustainable investments.

• Further, it distributes the annual retakaful surplus back to the policyholders.

Source: PWC, “Takaful: Growth opportunities in a dynamic market” 2008
Malaysia: bancatakaful penetration

VALUE PROPOSITION:
“Bancatakaful enables ITO to tap into banking institutions’ large customer base.”

### 1st half 2008 Malaysia Takaful Performance (as of June 2008)

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<td>Contribution Income 1</td>
<td>USD 0.3 billion</td>
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<td>New Business Contribution 2</td>
<td>USD 140 million</td>
<td>USD 0.27 billion</td>
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<td>New Business Contribution (Investment-Linked Plan)</td>
<td>USD 152.1 million</td>
<td>USD 351.2 million</td>
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<td>Takaful Market Penetration (in term of # of certificates)</td>
<td>7.7%</td>
<td>8.2%</td>
<td>6.5%</td>
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<td>Takaful Assets 4</td>
<td>USD 1.9 billion</td>
<td>USD 2.5 billion</td>
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- Bancatakaful contributed considerably to the increased penetration in the family takaful business.
- Inroads in the penetration rate of bancatakaful in future years in line with the positive trend shown by the conventional counterparts (20% Penetration rate of Bancatakaful).
Year 2005 in %

- **19%, Agents**
- **44% Direct Marketing**
- **20%, Bancatakaful**
- **14%, Brokers**
- **2%, Others**

- Products sold through agency network have remained fairly constant over recent years.
- Conversely direct marketing has seen a steady decline, as Takaful Operators leverage Bancatakaful joint ventures and broker channels to distribute their products.
- E-channels have remained fairly small, and are mostly reserved for straightforward motor insurance.

**Malaysia has to increase the Takaful sales via the bank channel.**

Source: McKinsey WIBC Report 2008-09
Summary Highlights

Takaful Provider

- Cost effective bancatakaful channel
- Competitive products
- Cross selling and branding advantages

Bank Distribution Partner

- Fulfil customers lifecycle financial planning and investment needs
- Opportunity to bundle banca with financing products and generate annuity fee income
- One stop Wealth Management offerings and enhance customer relationship
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Bancatakaful Challenges

1. Product Development
2. Distribution
3. Asset Management
4. Re-takaful
5. Human Resources
6. Governance and Risk

Operational Factors
- Training in product & sales
- Sales incentives

Sector Factors
- Product development and innovation
- Deployment of IT delivery systems and customer convenience

Macro –Factors
- Flexible Commission structures for distribution partners
- Multiple modes for transacting business
Bancatakaful Challenges

Product Development

Takaful Insurers need to overcome conceptualisation and implementation challenges

- **Strategic Direction**
  - Idea generation
- **Concept Development**
  - Product design and pricing
- **Planning and Coordination**
  - Product implementation
- **Launch preparation**

**Related challenges**

1. **Rough modular Design**
2. **Check actuarial, technical, And legal feasibility**
3. **Development of selling story**

**Related challenges**

1. **Design product Components**
2. **Conduct Strategic pricing**
3. **Conduct Component Profit testing**
4. **Define Sale & Marketing Attribute**

1. **Maintain Technical realization of product**
2. **Secure regulatory Approval**
3. **Implement Processing Requirements**
4. **Implement Sales Support software**

**Source:** Mc Kinsey WIBC Report 2008-09
Bancatakaful Challenges

Banks can add significant value across several other elements along the value chain.

Role of the Bank and of the Takaful Operator need to be clearly defined.

To capture the full potential of the bancatakaful model, Takaful operators need to adapt along several functional dimensions.

Source: Mc Kinsey WIBC Report 2008-09
Bancatakaful Challenges

Human resources

- Attracting Talent
- Academy, Certification
- Sales Incentives
- Reward structure
- Distance e-learning
- Importing industry experts
Bancatakaful Challenges

- Lack of due diligence on the capabilities of distribution partners
- Business models do not factor in the appropriate rewards and compensation that are in line with the roles and responsibilities between the takaful operators and bank distribution partners
- Stringent and rigid takaful regulations in selected markets
- Lack of independent audit committees and fiduciary oversight
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Bancatakaful strategy

- Implement diagnostic and reporting tools (MIS report)
- Soft incentives to reward individual performance
- Simplicity and transparency are key
- Coaching and monitoring

- Marketing kit and FAQs
- Automate customer communication & incentivise annual reviews
- Access to state-of-the art point-of-sale systems to augment customer leads and referrals
Bancatakaful Performance Management & Product Mix

- Implement detailed Key Performance Indicators (KPI)
- Adapt KPI to varying experience of personal bankers, advisors and banca sales professionals
- Tracking sales results against objectives

- Balanced product sales mix for bonus reward recognition
- Higher reward weighting for regular bancatakaful business
- Balanced scorecard and rewards aligned with a sustainable and quality portfolio
Establish a product development infrastructure to balance standardisation and innovation

Increase customer awareness and education

Shaping market development

Catalysing product development with special incentives

Achieve critical mass to meet customer demand:

- Call Centers to increase service level
- Promotion and awareness campaigns
- Streamlining operational processes
- Creation of standard hands-on documentation
- Customising products to target different customer segments

Bancatakaful: bridging the gap with other WM offerings
The Critical Success Factors

- Regulatory Support
- Strategic Partnerships
- Cooperation among the players
- Training
- Product Innovation
- Sales and Administrative Processes
- Performance management
- Standards of Excellence
Conclusion

- The Takaful market has been slow to develop, slower than many people expected.

- The potential is large but supply side weaknesses have to be overcome.

- It is up to the industry participants to create demand by focusing on:
  - Product development
  - Backend capabilities
  - Distribution reach
  - Branding and Marketing

- Much needs to be done but the first signs of improvements can be witnessed.

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