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Crowdfunding access and the human author

Malaysia increases a retail equity-crowdfunding limit; the US Copyright Office explains protection for AI-assisted output.

6 January 2025 / Malaysia

Retail ECF limit rises

The SC increased the retail investor limit for equity crowdfunding from RM5,000 to RM10,000 per issuer. This is a per-issuer limit, not a guarantee of suitability or return, and should be read alongside other applicable investment limits and safeguards.

GUIDELINES AMENDED

29 January 2025 / United States

Human creativity remains central to copyright

The Copyright Office's second AI report says AI-assisted work can qualify for protection where a human determines sufficient expressive elements. Merely supplying prompts is not enough. The report explains the Office's position; it is not a new international copyright statute.

POLICY REPORT

THE MALAYSIAN LENS

Our Malaysian lens connects two founder concerns: raising money and documenting intellectual property. A higher investment cap should not replace risk assessment. An AI-generated asset should not be promised as exclusively owned without examining human contributions and the governing jurisdiction.

QUESTION TO ASK

Can the company substantiate both its investment disclosures and the rights it promises in its creative assets?

WATCH / NEXT STEP

Keep separate records of investment eligibility and creative authorship, including meaningful human edits and third-party inputs.

READ THE ORIGINAL SOURCES

Securities Commission Malaysia · Recognized Markets amendment summary ↗
US Copyright Office · NewsNet 1060 and report release ↗

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