ADVANCED SYSTEMS AUTOMATION LIMITED
(Incorporated in the Republic of Singapore)
(Company Registration No. 198600740M)

ASA proposes synergetic, earnings accretive acquisition of a group of companies in the semiconductor sector

- **Enters into Sale and Purchase Agreement for the acquisition of a group of companies with total consideration of S$10 million**
- **Profit guarantee for financial year 2018 and 2019 of S$3 million collectively**
- **Net asset value of Target Companies estimated at S$4 million**
- **The purchase is expected to bring enlarged customer base and create synergetic value to ASA's existing business**

Singapore, April 9, 2018 – Advanced Systems Automation Limited **("ASA"** or the **"Company"),** a company listed on the Catalist board of Singapore Exchange and is principally engaged in the manufacturing of automated equipment for the encapsulation of semiconductors, announced today that it has entered into a Sale and Purchase Agreement (**"SPA"**) with Mr. Seah Chong Hoe (the "**Vendor**") for the purchase of the entire issued and paid-up share capital of Yumei Technologies Sdn. Bhd. ("**Yumei Tech**"), Yumei REIT Sdn. Bhd. (**"Yumei REIT"**) and Pioneer Venture Pte. Ltd. (**"Pioneer Venture"**), collectively known as the "Target Companies" and each a "Target Company". The aggregate purchase consideration for the Target Companies is S$10 million.

Yumei Tech is principally engaged in the provision of die-casting and plastic injection moulding components, and other finishing operations such as precision machining, surface finishing, leakage treatment and sub-assembly of mechanical components. Yumei REIT is the asset management company for Yumei Tech. Pioneer Venture is principally engaged in the manufacturing of fabricated metal products except machinery and equipment. It has over ten years of experience in metal moulding technologies, manufacturing processes and integrated manufacturing solutions.

According to the SPA, the Vendor undertakes that the aggregated amount of pre-tax profits of the Target Companies for financial year 2018 and 2019[1] is not less than S$3,000,000 collectively. As at 28 February 2018, the aggregate book value (and net tangible asset value) of the Target Companies is approximately S$4.07 million.

DATO' Michael Loh Soon Gnee, Executive Chairman & CEO of ASA, comments, "***We see value in the Target Companies' strong business track record and their expertise, and we expect the proposed acquisition will make positive contribution to ASA's financial performance and net asset value. The Target Companies would also bring in new skill sets in die-casting and plastic injection moulding for ASA, enabling us to offer a more comprehensive value proposition to a broader customer base across a wider region. In addition, ASA could tap on the strong customer base of the Target Companies and create synergetic value. Their business presence in Malacca is also complementary to our existing business locations. We hope once the acquisition materializes, it will build up the business value for all our shareholders in the long term.***"

The completion is conditional upon certain conditions precedent having been satisfied within six months from the date when the SPA is entered into.

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About Advanced Systems Automation Limited (SGX: 5TY)

Advanced Systems Automation Limited ("**ASA**") entered the semiconductor industry in 1986. Its core business lies in manufacturing automated equipment for the encapsulation of semiconductors. Today, ASA's encapsulation equipment are used by semiconductor assembly processes around the world.

In 1997, ASA embarked into developing the world's first total backend inline equipment solution. Thereafter, in 2000, through further development, it successfully launched the Solder Ball placement and the Saw Singulation and Sort machines. These equipment were designed for the Ball Grid Array packages, which were then experiencing rapid growth. In 2003, a high speed Flip Chip bonder was introduced to the market and this design won the Advanced Packaging Award that year.

On 16 August 2006, ASA was acquired by ASTI Holdings Limited ("ASTI") becoming a part of the latter's Backend Equipment Solutions & Technologies ("BEST") business cluster. Today, the Group

[1] Please refer to the announcement on SGX for the definition of the financial year

prides itself as a world-class manufacturer of automated backend equipment for the semiconductor assembly process. Its equipment are sold globally to major semiconductor manufacturers.

Another core business segment within ASA is its Equipment Contract Manufacturing Services ("ECMS") unit. This division manufactures electromechanical components and parts for the semiconductor, healthcare and scientific industries. In 2013, the Group expanded its competency and skillset in this business segment through the acquisition of ASA Multiplate (M) Sdn. Bhd. and Emerald Precision Engineering Sdn. Bhd.

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