

## RESULTS HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE HALF YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2017

- Revenue for 1H2017 of S\$63.0 million
- Profit net of tax of S\$2.4 million
- Net cash position of S\$42.5 million
- Order book of S\$141.8 million
- Interim dividend of Singapore 1.25 cents

**Singapore, 26 July 2017** – Design Studio Group Ltd (瑞胜集团有限公司) (“Design Studio Group” and collectively with its subsidiaries, “the Group”), today announced a profit net of tax of S\$2.4 million for the half year ended 30 June 2017 (“1H2017”).

### Financial performance

Group revenue was S\$63.0 million in 1H2017, compared to S\$62.6 million in the 1H2016, underpinned by contribution from the Hospitality & Commercial divisions. Operational expenses was S\$7.5 million, an increase of 28.5% from S\$5.8 million in 1H2016 due to foreign exchange losses and increase in staff costs relating to restructuring. Profit net of tax was S\$2.4 million in 1H2017.

### Operational Performance

The Group secured contracts amounting to S\$13.5 million in 1H2017 for a mix of service apartments and joinery work in Singapore and the Middle East.

### Outlook

We continue to see opportunities and prospects in the region, underpinned by a thriving tourism and hospitality sector that continues to increase demand for hotel accommodation. However, the residential sector in Singapore remains challenging. We are continuing our expansion into international markets such as Middle East, Thailand and China, as well as in different niche segments.

The Group remains well-positioned to grow, with an order book of S\$141.8 million, a strong balance sheet and a healthy cash position of S\$42.5 million as at 30 June 2017. Following the completion of our restructuring, we see the business returning to more normal levels of revenue and backlog relative to our historic performance.

### Interim Dividend

The Board has declared an interim dividend payment of Singapore 1.25 cents per ordinary share for the 1H2017.

Please refer to the Group's unaudited financial results announcement for 2Q2017 and 1H2017 dated 26 July 2017 for a detailed review of the Group's performance.

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**About Design Studio Group:**

Design Studio Group is an expert in the design of living spaces and one of Asia's fastest growing providers of joinery solutions.

Established in 1992 as a pure manufacturer of joinery products, we have since leveraged our extensive knowledge of raw materials and our design skills to develop intelligent and bespoke joinery systems that are recognised regionally for their aesthetic appeal and superior workmanship.

Over the years as we transformed from manufacturing to a knowledge-based business, our strategic direction is towards the generation of intellectual property that will set us apart in all the markets we serve. Today, Design Studio Group is headquartered in Singapore with presence in Malaysia, Thailand and China. We offer consultations and customised fit-out solutions to discerning homeowners who want their residences to exude timelessness, discreet luxury, mastery and perfection.

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