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# **ASCENDAS HOSPITALITY TRUST**

A stapled group comprising:

# **Ascendas Hospitality Real Estate Investment Trust**

(a real estate investment trust constituted on 13 March 2012 under the laws of the Republic of Singapore) managed by

Ascendas Hospitality Fund Management Pte. Ltd.

# **Ascendas Hospitality Business Trust**

(a business trust constituted on 13 March 2012 under the laws of the Republic of Singapore) managed by

Ascendas Hospitality Trust Management Pte. Ltd.

# ISSUE OF 73,530,000 NEW STAPLED SECURITIES IN ASCENDAS HOSPITALITY TRUST PURSUANT TO THE PRIVATE PLACEMENT

# 1. INTRODUCTION

Further to the announcements dated 31 March 2014, 1 April 2014 and 7 April 2014 in relation to the private placement of 73,530,000 new stapled securities in Ascendas Hospitality Trust ("A-HTRUST", and the new stapled securities in A-HTRUST, the "New Stapled Securities") (the "Private Placement"), Ascendas Hospitality Fund Management Pte. Ltd., in its capacity as the manager of Ascendas Hospitality Real Estate Investment Trust (the "REIT Manager") and Ascendas Hospitality Trust Management Pte. Ltd., in its capacity as the trustee-manager of Ascendas Hospitality Business Trust (the "Trustee-Manager"), are pleased to announce that the REIT Manager and the Trustee-Manager (collectively, the "Managers") have today issued 73,530,000 New Stapled Securities at an issue price of S\$0.680. With the issue of the New Stapled Securities, the total number of Stapled Securities in issue is 1,108,204,786 as at the date of this announcement.

The New Stapled Securities will commence trading on the Main Board of Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited (the "SGX-ST") at 9.00 a.m. on 9 April 2014.

# 2. STATUS OF THE NEW STAPLED SECURITIES

The New Stapled Securities issued pursuant to the Private Placement will, upon issue, rank *pari passu* in all respects with the Stapled Securities in issue on the day immediately prior to the date on which the New Stapled Securities are issued pursuant to the Private Placement, other than in respect of the Advance Distribution.

The issue managers for the initial public offering and listing of Ascendas Hospitality Trust were DBS Bank Ltd., Nomura Singapore Limited, Standard Chartered Securities (Singapore) Pte. Limited, and The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited, Singapore Branch (collectively, the "Issue Managers"). The Issue Managers assume no responsibility for the contents of this announcement.

A-HTRUST's policy is to distribute its distributable income on a semi-annual basis to Stapled Securityholders. In connection with the Private Placement, the Managers intend to declare a cumulative distribution for (i) the period from 1 October 2013 to 31 March 2014 and (ii) the period from 1 April 2014 to the day immediately prior to the date on which the New Stapled Securities are issued pursuant to the Private Placement (collectively, the "Cumulative Distribution"). The Cumulative Distribution is estimated to range from 2.79 cents to 2.95 cents per Stapled Security<sup>1</sup>. The Cumulative Distribution will only be distributed in respect of the existing stapled securities in A-HTRUST in issue immediately prior to the issue of the New Stapled Securities. A further announcement on the actual amount of Cumulative Distribution (which may differ from the estimate above) will be made by the Managers in due course.

The next distribution thereafter will comprise A-HTRUST's distributable income for the period from the day the New Stapled Securities are issued pursuant to the Private Placement to 30 September 2014. Semi-annual distributions will resume thereafter.

By Order of the Board
Mary Judith de Souza
Joint Company Secretary
Ascendas Hospitality Fund Management Pte. Ltd.
(Company Registration No. 201133966D)
As manager of Ascendas Hospitality Real Estate Investment Trust

By Order of the Board
Mary Judith de Souza
Joint Company Secretary
Ascendas Hospitality Trust Management Pte. Ltd.
(Company Registration No. 201135524E)
As trustee-manager of Ascendas Hospitality Business Trust

9 April 2014

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<sup>1</sup> This range is an estimate only based on information currently available to the Managers and the Managers' estimate of A-HTRUST's revenue and expenses, and the actual Cumulative Distribution may differ.

# **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

This announcement may contain forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties. Actual future performance, outcomes and results may differ materially from those expressed in forward-looking statements as a result of a number of risks, uncertainties and assumptions. Representative examples of these factors include (without limitation) general industry and economic conditions, interest rate trends, cost of capital and capital availability, competition from similar developments, shifts in expected levels of average daily room rates and occupancy, changes in operating expenses, including employee wages, benefits and training, property expenses and governmental and public policy changes and the continued availability of financing in the amounts and the terms necessary to support future business. You are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward looking statements, which are based on the Managers' current view of future events.

The value of the Stapled Securities and the income derived from them may fall as well as rise. Stapled Securities are not obligations of, deposits in, or guaranteed by, the REIT Manager, the Trustee-Manager, The Trust Company (Asia) Limited (in its capacity as the trustee of A-HREIT), or any of their respective affiliates.

An investment in the Stapled Securities is subject to investment risks, including the possible loss of the principal amount invested. Investors have no right to request that the Managers redeem or purchase their Stapled Securities while the Stapled Securities are listed. It is intended that Stapled Securityholders may only deal in their Stapled Securities through trading on the SGX-ST. Listing of the Stapled Securities on the SGX-ST does not guarantee a liquid market for the Stapled Securities.

The past performance of A-HTRUST is not necessarily indicative of the future performance of A-HTRUST.

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