











# Ascott Residence Trust A Leading Global Serviced Residence REIT

1Q 2015 Financial Results





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### **Overview of Ascott REIT**



### A Leading Global Serviced Residence REIT





1. Market capitalisation as at 22 April 2015

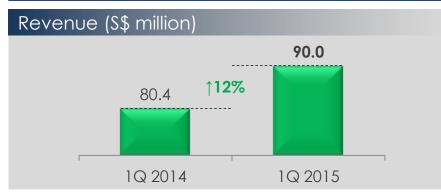


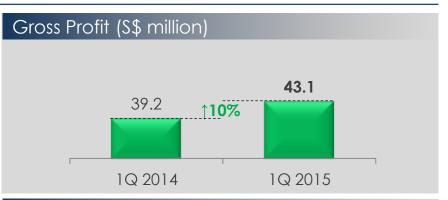


# **Key Financial Highlights**



### Summary of Group Results









- Revenue and gross profit increased mainly due to contribution from the properties acquired in 2014<sup>1</sup> partially offset by lower revenue from existing properties and expiry of the deed of yield protection for Somerset West Lake Hanoi.
- Overall RevPAU decreased 8% YoY from \$\$124 in 1Q 2014 to \$\$114 in 1Q 2015 due to weaker performance from properties in Singapore and Vietnam and lower ADR from the China properties acquired in 2014.
  - On a same store basis, RevPAU decreased 2% YoY

#### Note:

1. Acquisition of nine properties in Australia, China, Japan and Malaysia





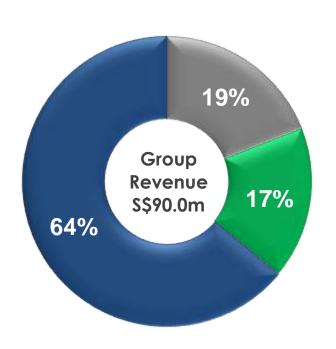


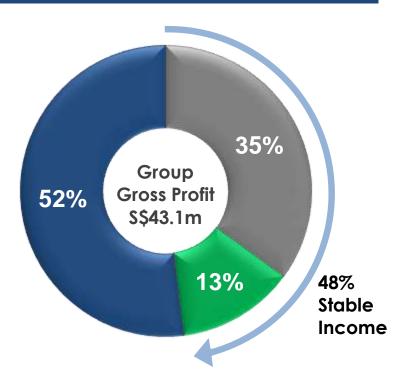
## **Portfolio Highlights**



### Revenue and Gross Profit (By Category)

Revenue 1Q 2015 Gross Profit 1Q 2015





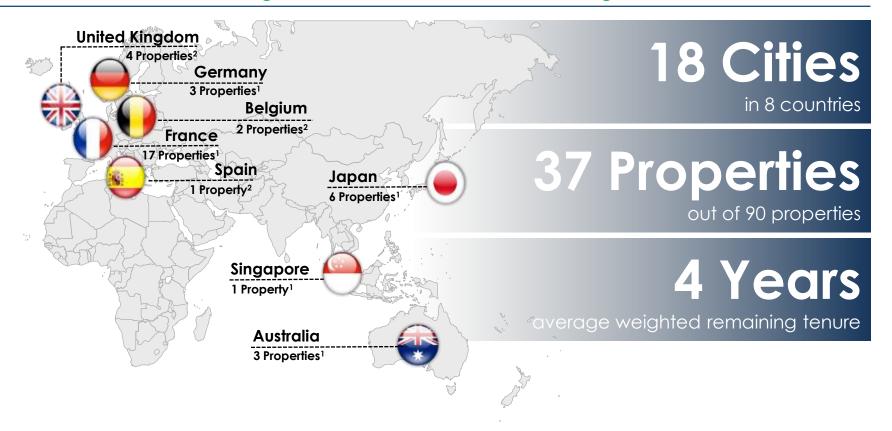
- Master Leases
- Management Contracts with Minimum Guaranteed Income
- Management Contracts







**48%** of the Group's gross profit for 1Q 2015 is contributed by master leases and management contracts with minimum guaranteed income



#### Notes:

- 1. Properties under master leases
- 2. Properties under management contracts with minimum guaranteed income















**Ascott** Arnulfpark Munich Singapore



Quest Sydney Raffles Place Olympic Park

#### Revenue ('mil)

### **Gross Profit ('mil)**

|   | 1Q 2015 | 1Q 2014 |   | 1Q 2015 | 1Q 2014 |   |  |
|---|---------|---------|---|---------|---------|---|--|
| <b>Australia (AUD)</b><br>3 Properties <sup>1</sup> | 1.7     | -       | - | 1.6     | -       | - |  |
| France (EUR)<br>17 Properties                       | 5.8     | 5.9     | 1 | 5.3     | 5.4     | 1 |  |
| <b>Germany (EUR)</b><br>3 Properties                | 1.4     | 1.4     | - | 1.1     | 1.3     | 1 |  |
| <b>Japan (JPY)</b><br>6 Properties                  | 187.8   | 99.2    | 1 | 150.4   | 83.6    | 1 |  |
| Singapore (SGD) Ascott Raffles Place Singapore      | 2.2     | 2.1     | 1 | 1.8     | 1.7     | 1 |  |

Revenue and gross profit from properties in France decreased due to negative indexation. Gross profit from properties in Germany decreased due to higher repair and maintenance costs. Higher revenue and gross profit for properties in Japan was mainly attributed to the acquisition of Infini Garden in March 2014.

Note:



<sup>1.</sup> Acquired three serviced residence properties in Greater Sydney in December 2014.



# Management Contracts with Minimum Guaranteed Income (1Q 2015 vs 1Q 2014)



|                                      | Revenue ('mil) |         |   | Gross Pr |         |   |
|--------------------------------------|----------------|---------|---|----------|---------|---|
|                                      | 1Q 2015        | 1Q 2014 |   | 1Q 2015  | 1Q 2014 |   |
| <b>Belgium (EUR)</b> 2 Properties    | 1.7            | 1.6     | 1 | 0.2      | 0.1     | 1 |
| <b>Spain (EUR)</b><br>1 Property     | 0.9            | 0.6     | 1 | 0.3      | 0.1     | 1 |
| United Kingdom (GBP)<br>4 Properties | 5.7            | 5.5     | 1 | 2.2      | 1.6     | 1 |





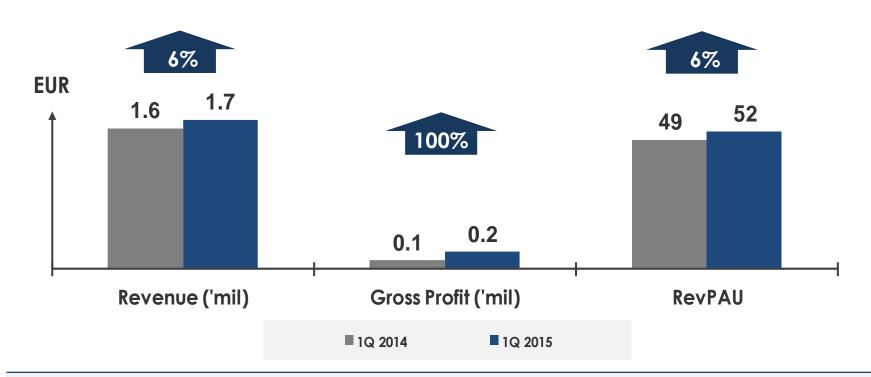


Citadines Sainte-Catherine Brussels



Citadines Toison d'Or Brussels





Revenue and RevPAU increased mainly due to refurbishment of Citadines Toison d'Or Brussels during 1Q 2014.

Gross profit increased due to higher revenue, coupled with lower staff costs and operation and maintenance expense.

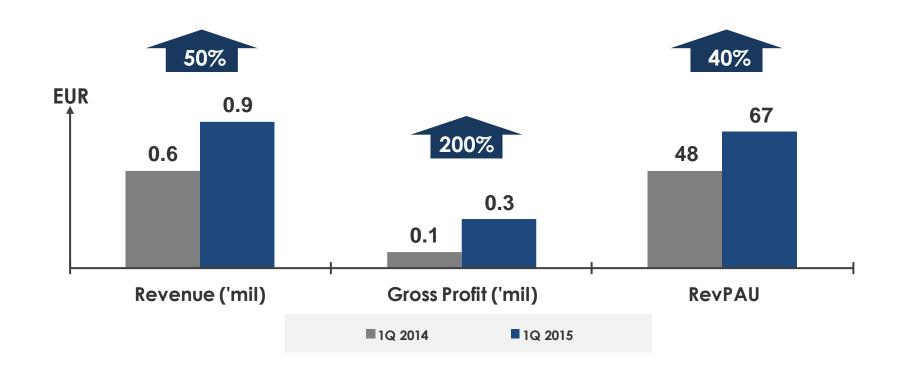












Revenue, gross profit and RevPAU increased mainly due to refurbishment last year.









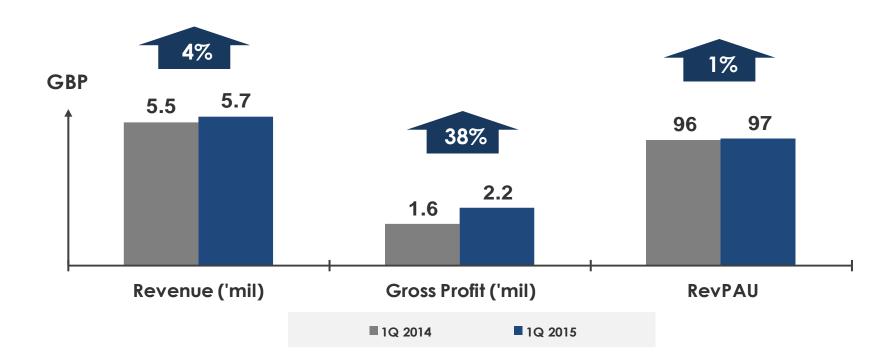






Citadines Barbican London

Citadines Holborn- Citadines South Citadines Trafalgar Covent Garden Kensington London Square London London



Revenue and RevPAU increase was mainly due to stronger demand from corporate sector and higher retail income. Gross profit increased mainly due to higher revenue, coupled with lower property tax and staff costs.

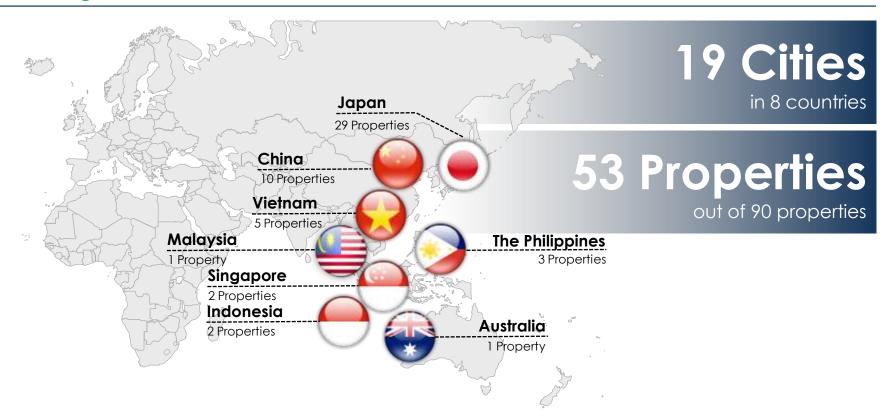




### **Management Contracts**



**52%** of the Group's gross profit for 1Q 2015 is contributed by management contracts





### Management Contracts (1Q 2015 vs 1Q 2014) Revenue ('mil) Gross Profit ('mil)

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|                              | 1Q 2015 | 1Q 2014 |   | 1Q 2015 | 1Q 2014 |   | 1Q 2015 | 1Q 2014 |   |
|------------------------------|---------|---------|---|---------|---------|---|---------|---------|---|
| Australia (AUD)              | 1.2     | 1.1     | 1 | 0.4     | 0.3     | 1 | 144     | 141     | 1 |
| China (RMB)                  | 70.2    | 53.6    | 1 | 14.7    | 14.7    | - | 377     | 464     | 1 |
| Indonesia (USD)              | 2.9     | 3.2     | 1 | 1.1     | 1.2     | 1 | 77      | 85      | 1 |
| Japan (JPY) <sup>1</sup>     | 1,020.7 | 675.0   | 1 | 553.9   | 390.8   | 1 | 11,158  | 9,553   | 1 |
| Malaysia (MYR)               | 4.3     | -       | - | 1.3     | -       | - | 227     | -       | _ |
| Philippines (PHP)            | 252.1   | 263.5   | 1 | 87.4    | 84.7    | 1 | 4,253   | 4,491   | 1 |
| Singapore (SGD)              | 6.2     | 6.5     | 1 | 2.6     | 2.8     | 1 | 197     | 205     | 1 |
| Vietnam (VND) <sup>2,3</sup> | 153.2   | 169.4   | 1 | 84.1    | 101.2   | 1 | 1,496   | 1,604   | 1 |

#### Notes:

- 1. RevPAU for Japan refers to serviced residences and excludes rental housing.
- 2. Revenue and gross profit figures for VND are stated in billions. RevPAU figures are stated in thousands.
- 3. Revenue and gross profit for Somerset West Lake in 1Q 2015 have been classified under "Management Contracts" category as the deed of yield protection has expired on 31 March 2014. For comparison purpose, the revenue and gross profit for Somerset West Lake for 1Q 2014 have been classified under "Management Contracts" category.

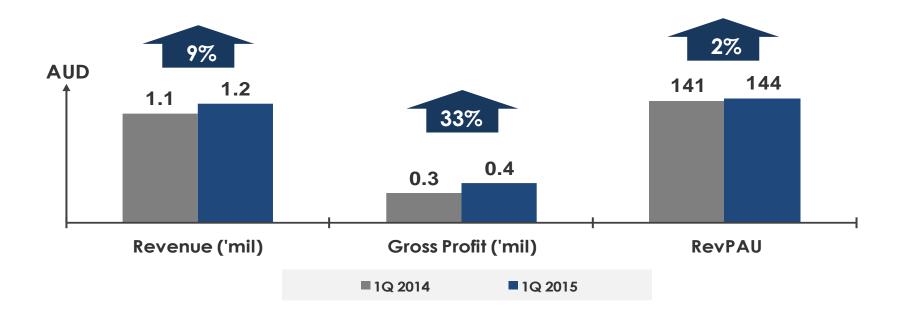






Citadines St Georges Terrace Perth





Revenue, gross profit and RevPAU increased mainly due to refurbishment last year.







Somerset















Grand Central Dalian

Citadines Zhuankou Wuhan

Citadines Gaoxin Xi'an

Somerset Heping Shenyang

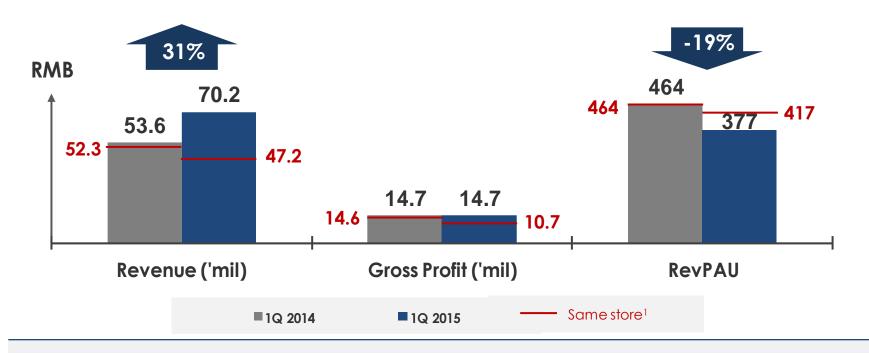
Ascott Guangzhou

Somerset Olympic Tower Property Tianiin

Citadines Xinghai Suzhou

Citadines Biyun Shanghai

Somerset Xu Hui Shanghai



Revenue increased mainly due to contribution from the properties acquired in 2014<sup>2</sup>. Excluding the contribution from the acquisitions, performance was weaker as a result of ongoing refurbishment at Somerset Xu Hui Shanghai and Somerset Olympic Tower Property Tianjin.

#### Notes:

- 1. Excluding Somerset Grand Central Dalian acquired in June 2014, Citadines Zhuankou Wuhan and Citadines Gaoxin Xi'an acquired in August 2014, and Somerset Grand Fortune Garden Property Beijing which had commenced strata sale of units since October 2013.
- 2. Acquisition of Somerset Grand Central Dalian (completed in June 2014), Citadines Zhuankou Wuhan and Citadines Gaoxin Xi'an (completed in August 2014).



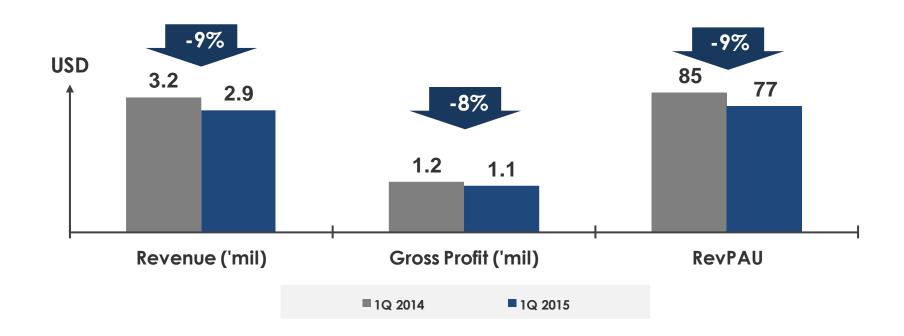




Ascott Jakarta

Somerset Grand Citra Jakarta





Revenue and RevPAU decreased mainly due to weaker demand from corporate accounts. Gross profit decreased mainly due to lower revenue, partially offset by lower utility expense.







Somerset Azabu East Tokyo



Citadines Shinjuku Tokyo



Citadines Karasuma-Gojo Kyoto

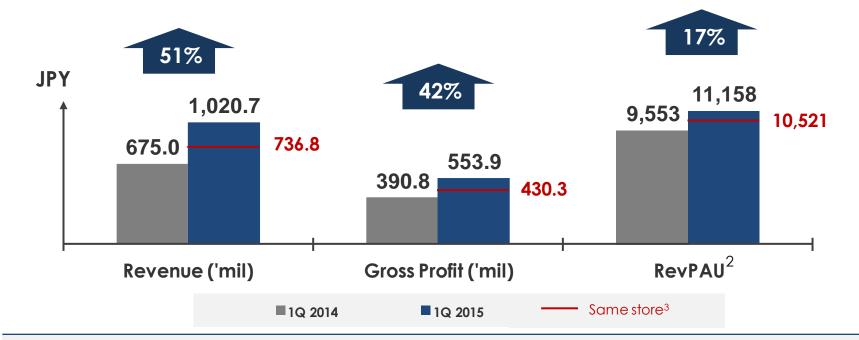


Citadines Central Shinjuku Tokyo<sup>1</sup>



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25 rental housing properties in Japan



Revenue and gross profit increased mainly due to the contribution from Citadines Central Shinjuku Tokyo<sup>1</sup> acquired in October 2014, as well as stronger demand from the corporate and leisure sectors for all the serviced residence properties.

#### Notes:

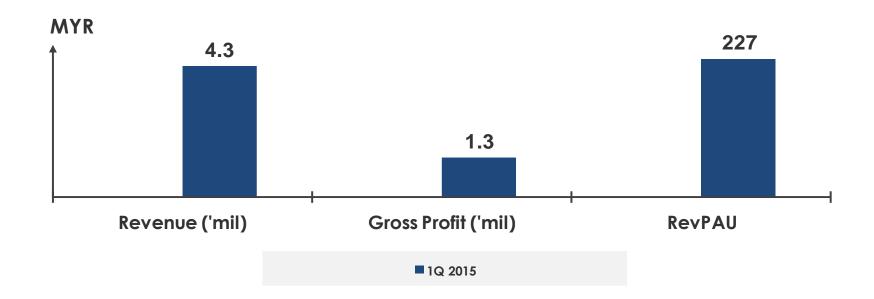
- 1. Formerly known as Best Western Shinjuku Astina Hotel
- 2. RevPAU for serviced residence properties only
- 3. Excluding Citadines Central Shinjuku Tokyo











Ascott REIT made its first foray into Malaysia last year. Somerset Ampang Kuala Lumpur was acquired on 18 August 2014.



# **L** The Philippines



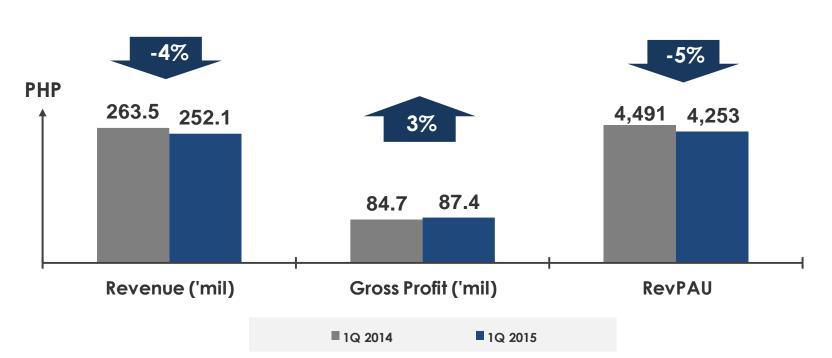




Somerset Millennium Makati



Salcedo Residences



Revenue and RevPAU decreased mainly due to weaker demand from corporate accounts. Gross profit increased mainly due to lower utility expense and property tax.



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Somerset Liang Court Property Singapore



Citadines Mount Sophia Property Singapore





Revenue, gross profit and RevPAU decreased mainly due to lower corporate accommodation budgets.







Somerset Grand Hanoi



Somerset Hoa Binh Hanoi



Somerset West Lake Hanoi

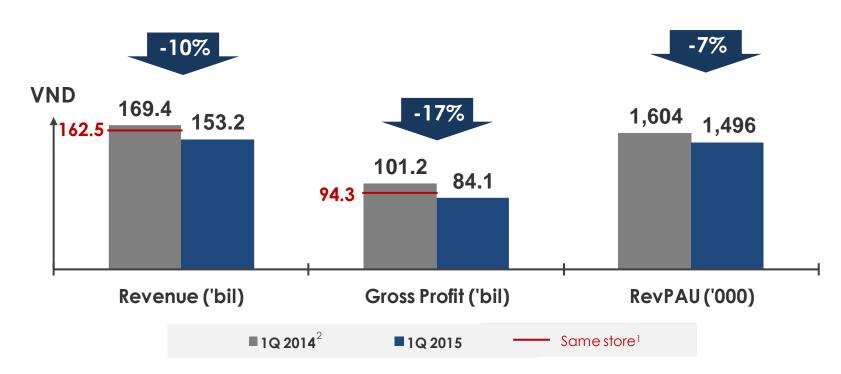


Somerset Ho Chi Minh City



Somerset Chancellor Court Ho Chi Minh City





Revenue and RevPAU decreased mainly due to the expiry of the deed of yield protection<sup>2</sup>, ongoing refurbishment at Somerset Ho Chi Minh City and weaker market demand. Gross profit decreased mainly due to lower revenue and higher staff costs.

#### Notes:

- 1. Excluding the yield protection amount for 1Q 2014.
- 2. Revenue and gross profit for Somerset West Lake in 1Q 2015 have been classified under "Management Contracts" category as the deed of yield protection has expired on 31 March 2014. For comparison purpose, the revenue and gross profit for Somerset West Lake for 1Q 2014 have been classified under "Management Contracts" category.







# Healthy Balance Sheet and Credit Metrics



### **Key Financial Indicators**

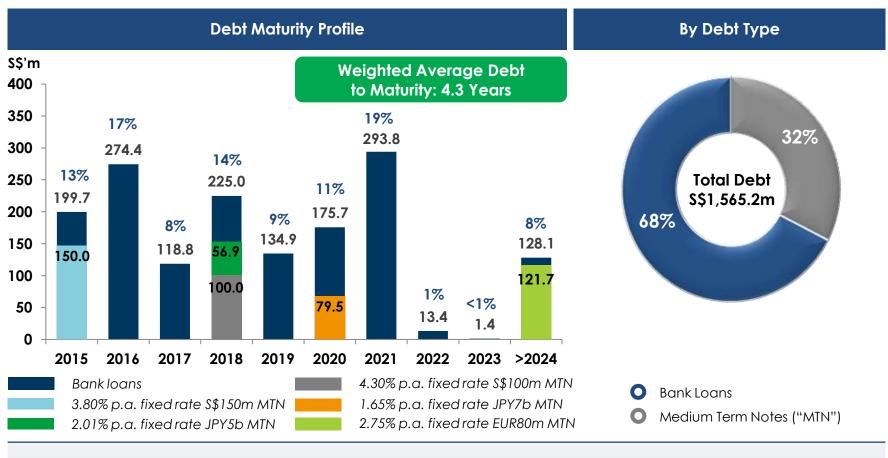
|  | As at<br>31 Mar 2015 | As at 31 Dec 2014 |
|--|----------------------|-------------------|
| Gearing                                | 38.7%                | 38.5%             |
| Interest Cover                         | 3.7X                 | 4.3X              |
| Effective Borrowing Rate               | 2.9%                 | 3.0%              |
| Total Debts on Fixed Rates             | 80%                  | 80%               |
| Weighted Avg Debt to Maturity (Years)  | 4.3                  | 4.4               |
| NAV/Unit                               | \$\$1.36             | \$\$1.37          |
| Ascott REIT's Issuer Rating by Moody's | Ваа3                 | Baa3              |







#### Debt Profile as at 31 March 2015



Ascott REIT seeks to diversify funding sources and secure long-term financing at an optimal cost.

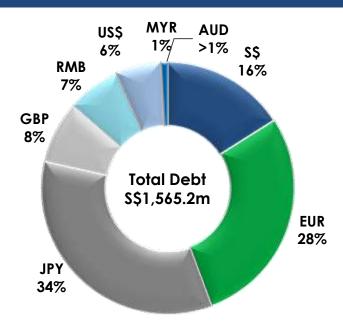






### Debt Profile as at 31 March 2015

#### **By Currency**



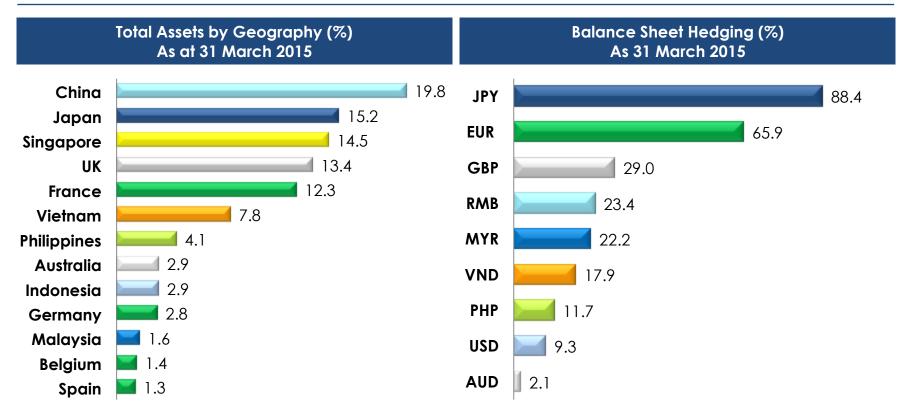
Ascott REIT adopts a natural hedging strategy to the extent possible.







### Foreign Currency Risk Management



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### Foreign Currency Risk Management

| Currency | Gross Profit<br>YTD Mar 2015 (%) | Exchange Rate Movement<br>From 31 Dec 2014 to 31 Mar 2015 (%) |
|----------|----------------------------------|---|
| SGD      | 10                               | <del>-</del>  |
| EUR      | 25                               | -0.1  |
| JPY      | 19                               | 2.5   |
| VND      | 12                               | 3.3   |
| GBP      | 11                               | 1.0   |
| RMB      | 7                                | 2.8   |
| PHP      | 6                                | 4.8   |
| AUD      | 5                                | -1.2  |
| USD      | 4                                | 3.5   |
| MYR      | 1                                | -4.7  |
| Total    | 100                              | 1.5   |

We have entered into foreign currency forward contracts to hedge distribution income derived in EUR, GBP and JPY. On a portfolio basis, approximately 42% of estimated FY 2015 foreign currency distribution income had been hedged.







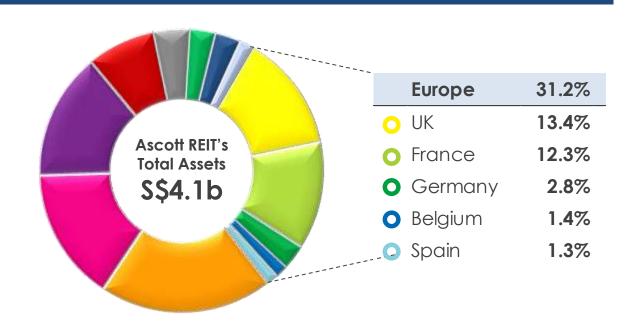
### **Geographical Diversification**



#### Ascott REIT's Total Assets

#### As at 31 March 2015

| Asia-Pacific               | 68.8% |
|----------------------------|-------|
| China                      | 19.8% |
| Japan                      | 15.2% |
| Singapore                  | 14.5% |
| Vietnam                    | 7.8%  |
| Philippines                | 4.1%  |
| Australia                  | 2.9%  |
| Indonesia                  | 2.9%  |
| <ul><li>Malaysia</li></ul> | 1.6%  |



Portfolio diversified across property and economic cycles



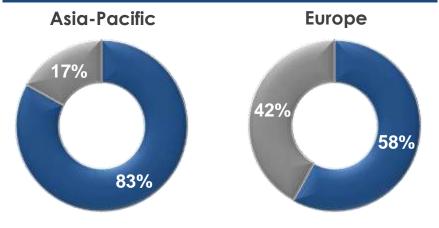
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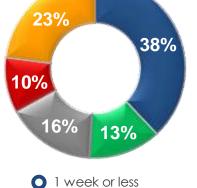


### Focus on Corporate and Long Stay Segments

Breakdown of Apartment Rental Income<sup>1</sup>
By Market Segment

Breakdown of Apartment Rental Income<sup>1</sup>
By Length of Stay





- Corporate Travel
- Leisure

- I week or less
- O Less than 1 month
- 1 to 6 months
- O 6 to 12 months
- More than 12 months

Focus on corporate travel segment

Average length of stay is about 4.4 months

Note:



<sup>1.</sup> Apartment rental income for YTD March 2015; Information for properties on master leases are not included.





### **Outlook and Prospects**



Ascott Reit's total assets as at 31 March 2015 was \$\$4.1 billion, and has grown at a compound annual growth rate of 18% since listing. We will continue to actively look for accretive acquisitions to achieve our target portfolio size of \$\$6.0 billion by 2017.

The Group will continue to refurbish Ascott Reit's properties to enhance guest experience and maximise returns to Unitholders. Approximately 80% of Ascott Reit's serviced residences have undergone or are undergoing asset enhancement and another 20% will undergo refurbishment by 2016.

As part of Ascott Reit's strategy to optimise returns for its Unitholders, Ascott Reit will commence the sale process for some of its properties with limited growth potential.

The Manager maintains a disciplined and prudent capital management approach. As at 31 March 2015, 80% of the total borrowings are on fixed interest rates. The Manager remains vigilant to changes in the macro and credit environment that may impact the Group's financing plans.

In 2015, the operational performance of our portfolio is expected to remain healthy through our resilient extended-stay business model and geographical diversification. The Group's financial performance for FY 2015 should remain profitable.







# **Completed Asset Enhancement Initiative**



### Somerset Grand Central Dalian



| Capex incurred        | RMB 7.8m (S\$1.5m)   |
|-----------------------|--|
| Capex work being done | Refurbishment of common areas and enhancement of facilities to improve overall guests experience – added poolside jacuzzi/steam room, home theatre, golf simulator room and enlarged breakfast kitchen |
| Period of renovation  | 3Q 2014 to 1Q 2015   |















## **Completed Asset Enhancement Initiative**



### Somerset Ho Chi Minh City (Phase 1)



| Capex incurred                 | US\$3.3 (S\$4.2m)      |
|--------------------------------|------------------------|
| Capex work being done          | Renovation of 59 units |
| Period of renovation           | 2Q 2014 to 1Q 2015     |
| ADR uplift for renovated units | c.27%                  |









## **Completed Rebranding Initiative**



#### Best Western Shinjuku Astina Hotel rebranded into Citadines Central Shinjuku Tokyo

#### Rebranding work done

- Replaced all external and internal signages
- Integrated rebranded property into Ascott's global network and system











# Ongoing Asset Enhancement Initiatives



| Prop | perties   | Costs                               | Time Period        |
|------|---|-------------------------------------|--------------------|
| 1    | Somerset Olympic Tower Property Tianjin - Phased renovation of 86 units   | RMB 29.5m<br>(S\$5.9m) <sup>1</sup> | 2Q 2014 to 4Q 2015 |
| 2    | Somerset Xu Hui Shanghai (Phase 2B) - Renovation of 42 units of 1BR, 2BR and 3BRs and other works                                       | RMB18.3 m<br>(S\$3.7m)              | 1Q 2015 to 2Q 2015 |
| 3    | Ascott Makati - Renovation of selected units, café, business centres and public area - Upgrade mechanical and electrical infrastructure | US\$25.3m<br>(S\$34.3m)             | 3Q 2015 4Q 2017    |
| 4    | Citadines Barbican London - Phased renovation of 129 units  | £3.7m<br>(S\$7.6m)                  | 4Q 2015 to 2Q 2016 |
|      | Total   | \$\$51.5m                           |                    |

1. For the entire refurbishment project

