

# Proposed Merger with Viva Industrial Trust

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## **Indicative Proposal**

#### **Proposal**

- The proposed merger of all the issued and paid-up stapled securities (the "Stapled Securities") of Viva Industrial Trust ("VIT") held by the stapled securityholders of VIT (the "Stapled Securityholders") and the units in ESR-REIT held by the unitholders (the "Proposed Merger")
- The Proposed Merger will be effected through the acquisition by ESR-REIT of all the Stapled Securities held by the Stapled Securityholders by way of a trust scheme of arrangement (the "Scheme") in accordance with the Singapore Code on Take-overs and Mergers; and
- The consideration under the Scheme for the Stapled Securities will be satisfied by the allotment and issue by ESR-REIT of new ESR-REIT Units to the Stapled Securityholders

#### **Exclusivity**

- The ESR-REIT Manager is currently in exclusive discussions with the VIT Managers<sup>(1)</sup>
- The exclusivity will expire on the earlier of (a) the date of execution of a definitive implementation agreement between the parties in relation to the Scheme and (b) 31 March 2018 (or such other date as the VIT Managers and the ESR-REIT Manager may agree in writing)

Further details are set out in the respective announcements released on 29 January 2018 by ESR-REIT Manager and the VIT Managers<sup>(1)</sup>, copies of which are available on the website of the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited at <a href="https://www.sgx.com">www.sgx.com</a>



### **Proposal Rationale**





Creating a Diversified, Sizeable and Liquid Pan-Asia Industrial REIT Listed on SGX-ST Backed by a Developer Sponsor, ESR





Combination of Complementary Portfolio to Potentially Create Fourth Largest Industrial S-REIT<sup>(1)</sup>





Larger Size and Increased Liquidity Provides Resilience, Diversification and Cost of Capital Benefits for Unitholders

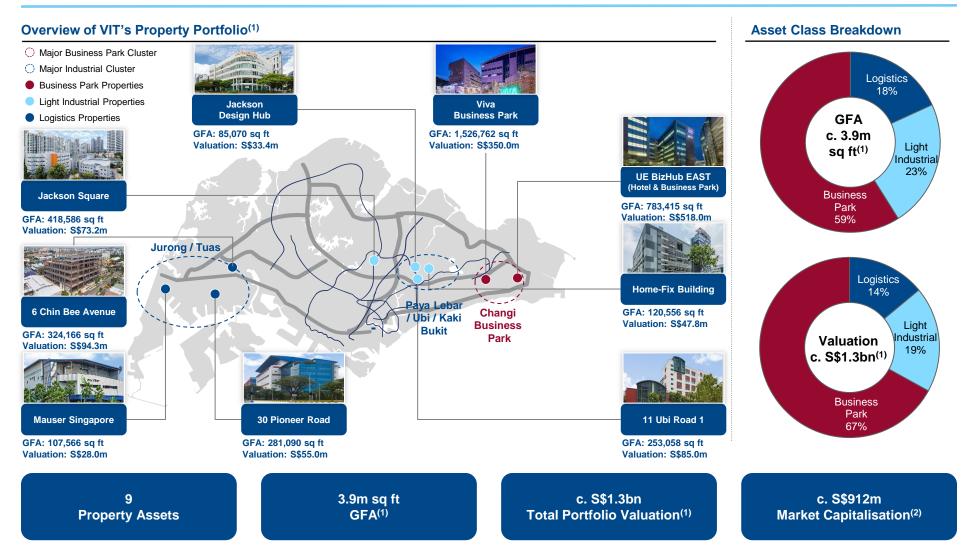




Strong and Committed Developer Sponsor with Visible Pipeline of Regional Assets and Pan-Asian Footprint



### **Overview of VIT**



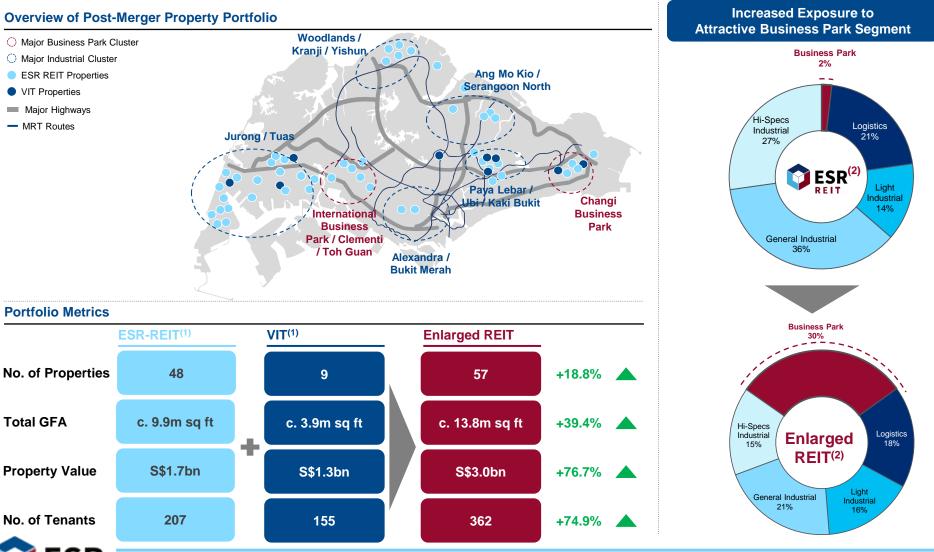


Source: Bloomberg, Company Filings.

(1) As at 31 December 2017.

2) As at 25 January 2018.

## **Overview of Post-Merger Portfolio**



Source: Company Filings

As at 31 December 2017.

<sup>2)</sup> Asset class breakdown by valuation.

# 1 Creating a Diversified, Sizeable and Liquid Pan-Asia Industrial REIT Listed on SGX-ST Backed by a Developer Sponsor, ESR

### **Proposed Merger**







VIVA İTRUST

Part of ESR-REIT's strategy to create a diversified, sizeable and liquid Pan-Asia developer-backed Singapore-based industrial property REIT

Well-supported by a developer sponsor financially and across the real estate value chain

A sizeable and liquid industrial REIT is expected to have cost of capital and stable growth advantages for the benefit of all unitholders





Larger

Market

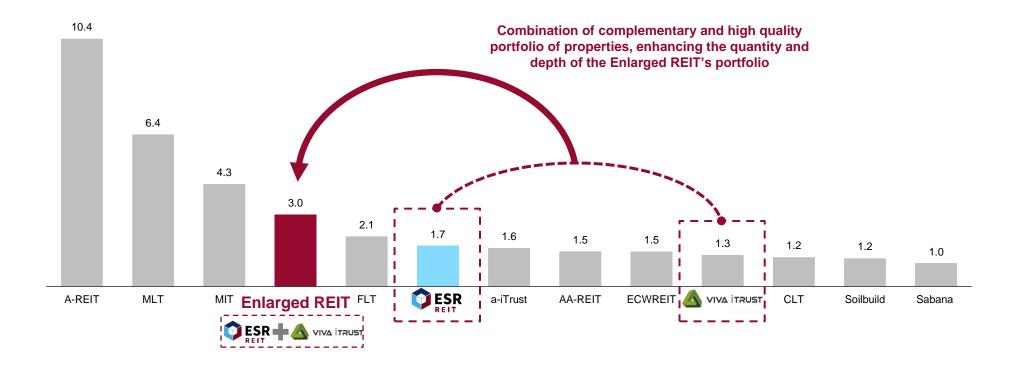
**Capitalisation** 



# 2 Combination of Complementary Portfolio

### Enlarged REIT will Potentially be the Fourth Largest Industrial S-REIT

Total Asset Size (S\$bn)(1)



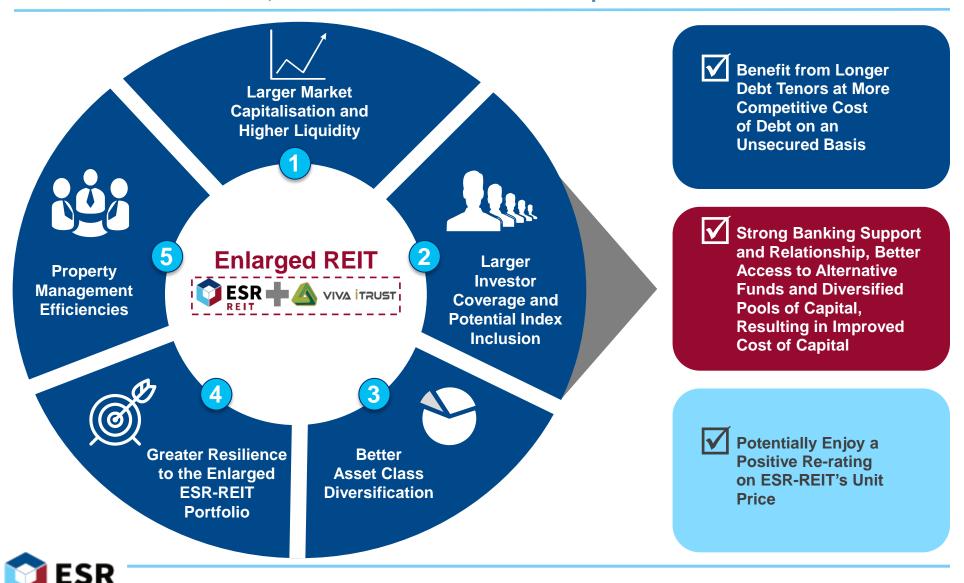
Post the Proposed Merger, the Enlarged REIT is expected to become the fourth largest industrial S-REIT, with its overall asset size increasing to approximately \$\$3.0bn



Source: Company Filings.

## 3 Larger Size and Increased Liquidity

**Provides Resilience, Diversification and Cost of Capital Benefits for Unitholders** 



# 4 Strong and Committed Developer Sponsor with Visible Pipeline of Regional Assets and Pan-Asian Footprint

- A ESR group a leading "pure-play" Pan-Asian logistics real estate developer, operator and fund manager platform
  - ESR group has a stake of c. 80% in the ESR-REIT Manager and is ESR-REIT's second largest unitholder
- ESR-REIT may have opportunities to acquire ESR group's visible pipeline of regional assets, positioning it for future scalable growth and overseas expansion where ESR group has a presence
- Ability to leverage off ESR group's strong network of strategic relationships with leading global e-commerce companies, retailers, logistic service providers and manufacturers, in order to enhance its tenant quality and diversify its tenant base
- Strong and committed sponsor
  - Alignment of interest as 2<sup>nd</sup> largest shareholder
  - Undertake to backstop up to S\$125m in the proposed Equity Fund Raising<sup>(2)</sup>



### **ESR Group's Presence in Asia**

### China Korea Japan Singapore India Australia

- One of the top players by logistics facilities area
- A leading landlord of key global e-commerce players
- One of the largest modern warehouse developers in Korea upon completion of projects under development
- One of the highest starts by value in 2015 and 2016
- Strong execution and capital market capability to manage sizable developments
- Invested in ESR-REIT, an early industrial S-REIT player with >9m sq ft of GFA
- c. 12% stake in ESR-REIT; c. 80% stake in ESR-REIT Manager and c. 100% stake in its property manager
- To build a leading real estate platform in both size and volume
- Initial focus on Tier-1 city agglomerations
- Entered the Australia market in 2017 and became the largest shareholder of Propertylink and Centuria Capital which collectively have over A\$6bn of AUM



#### Notes:

- (1) As at December 2017
- 2) If the Equity Fund Raising is undertaken via a preferential offering. Please refer to ESR-REIT announcement dated 14 December 2017.

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