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# Ascott Residence Trust

## A Leading Global Hospitality REIT

Investor Presentation  
May 2019



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# Overview of Ascott Residence Trust



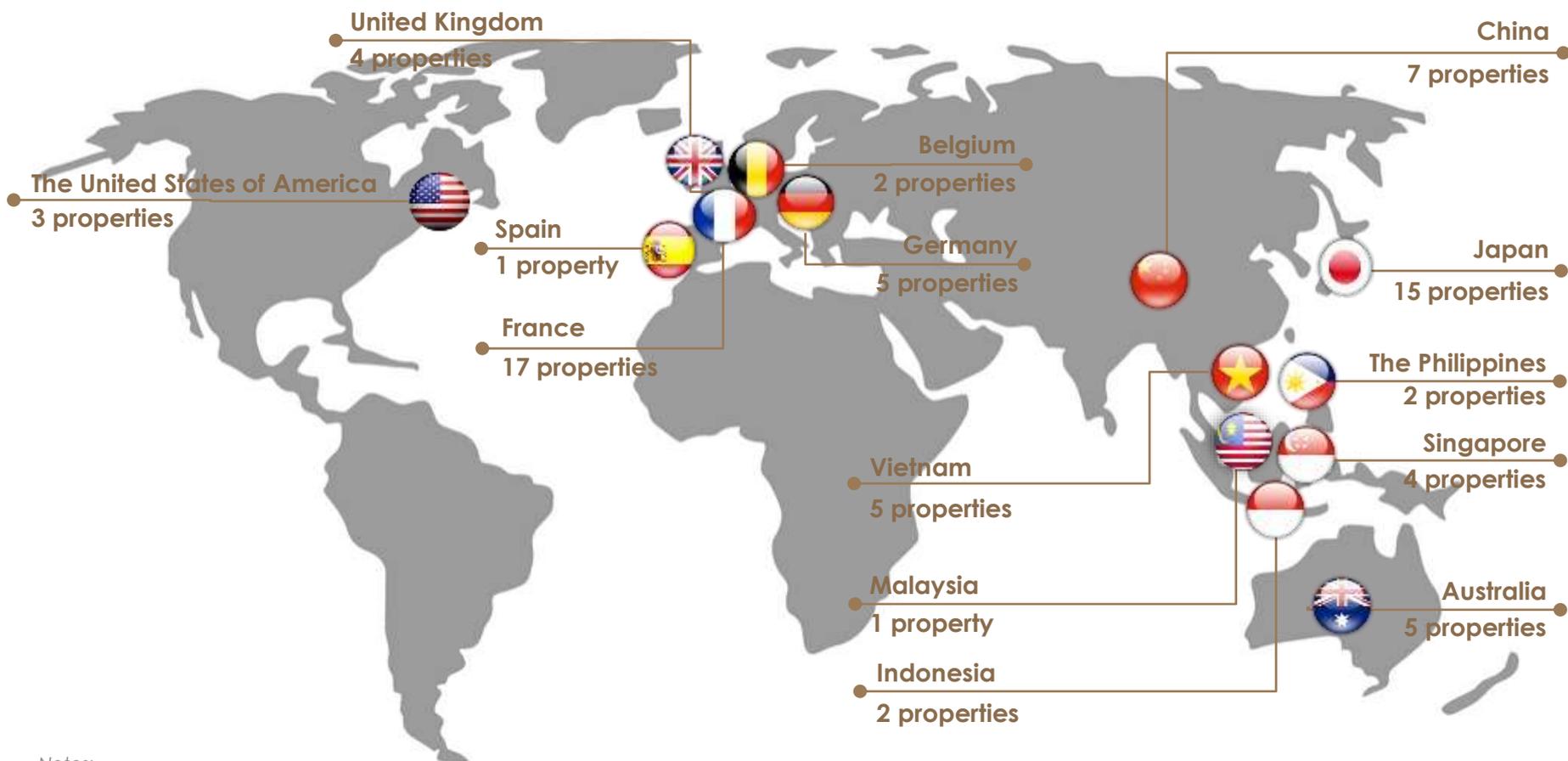


# Ascott REIT – A Leading Global Hospitality REIT



Well-diversified portfolio of quality hospitality assets located in major gateway cities

<b>S\$2.6b<sup>1</sup></b> Market Capitalisation	<b>S\$5.7b</b> Total Assets	<b>11,430</b> Apartment Units	<b>73</b> Operating Properties	<b>37</b> Cities in 14 Countries
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Notes:

Figures above as at 31 March 2019 (unless otherwise indicated) and exclude 1 of one-north Singapore (under-development)

1. Based on closing share price of S\$1.18 as at 29 March 2019

# Key Features of Ascott REIT

<b>Investment Mandate</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Invests primarily in real estate and real estate-related assets which are income-producing and which are used, or predominantly used, as serviced residences, rental housing properties and other hospitality assets in any country in the world</li></ul>
<b>Leverage</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Based on regulatory requirements, Ascott REIT's aggregate leverage limit cannot exceed 45%<sup>1</sup></li><li>• Historically, Ascott REIT's aggregate leverage has been at approximately 34%-41%<sup>2</sup></li></ul>
<b>Minimum Distribution Payout Ratio</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Required to distribute at least 90% of its taxable income to Unitholders to qualify for the Inland Revenue Authority of Singapore tax transparency treatment for REITs</li><li>• Since its listing, Ascott REIT has paid out <b>100%</b> of its distributable income to Unitholders</li></ul>
<b>Sponsor-aligned Interest</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• CapitaLand Limited, the parent company of The Ascott Limited ("Ascott"), is a substantial Unitholder of Ascott REIT ( ~45% interest in Ascott REIT)</li></ul>
<b>Corporate Governance</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Externally managed by Ascott Residence Trust Management Limited<sup>3</sup><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Majority Independent Non-Executive Directors on the Board</li></ul></li></ul>

Notes:

1. Ascott REIT is governed by the Code on Collective Investment Schemes ("CIS Code") issued by the Monetary Authority of Singapore.

2. Based on Ascott REIT's gearing for financial years 2011 – 2018.

3. An indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of CapitaLand Limited



# Overview of Hospitality Sector



## Moderated GDP Growth Ahead

- Achieved 3.7%<sup>1</sup> GDP growth in 2018
- 2019 Forecasted economic growth rate of 3.3%<sup>1</sup>, despite economic uncertainties

## Positive growth on Business Travel Spending

- Business travel spending growing steadily from 2012 to 2017<sup>2</sup>
- Spending expected to grow at an average rate of about 5% to US\$1.7 trillion by 2022<sup>2</sup>

## International Tourism Remains Strong

- International tourist arrivals crossed 1.4 billion mark in 2018, a 6%<sup>3</sup> increase over 2017
- 2019 growth projected at around 4%<sup>4</sup>

Notes:

1. Source: International Monetary Fund (2019)
2. Source: GBTA BTI Outlook: Annual Global Report & Forecast, (August 2018), Global Business Travel Association
3. Source: United Nations World Tourism Organisation (2019)
4. Source: IPK International (2019)



# Hotels versus Serviced Residences



## Hotels

**Lease Structure:**

Short term

**Revenue Sources:**

Rooms, F&B, ancillary etc.

**Cost Structures:**

Higher staff-to-room ratio and full range of hospitality services

**Seasonality:**

Predominantly seasonal nature of tourism industry



## Serviced Residences

**Lease Structure:**

Variable lease terms

**Revenue Sources:**

Predominantly from rooms

**Cost Structures:**

Lower staff-to-room ratio and limited services provided

**Seasonality:**

Predominantly driven by long term macroeconomic factors; GDP & FDI inflows



# Ascott REIT's Well-Diversified and Resilient Portfolio



**Geographical diversification**

**~ 60% : 40%**

*Asia Pacific  
Europe/US*

**Diversified income streams**



**43% : 57%**

*Stable Income      Growth Income*

**Range of product offering including**



**serviced residences, rental housing and coliving properties**

**Properties catering to long- and short-stay, business and leisure guests**



**Resilient portfolio**



**~3 months average length of stay**

**Valuable portfolio of properties with**

**>50% freehold**



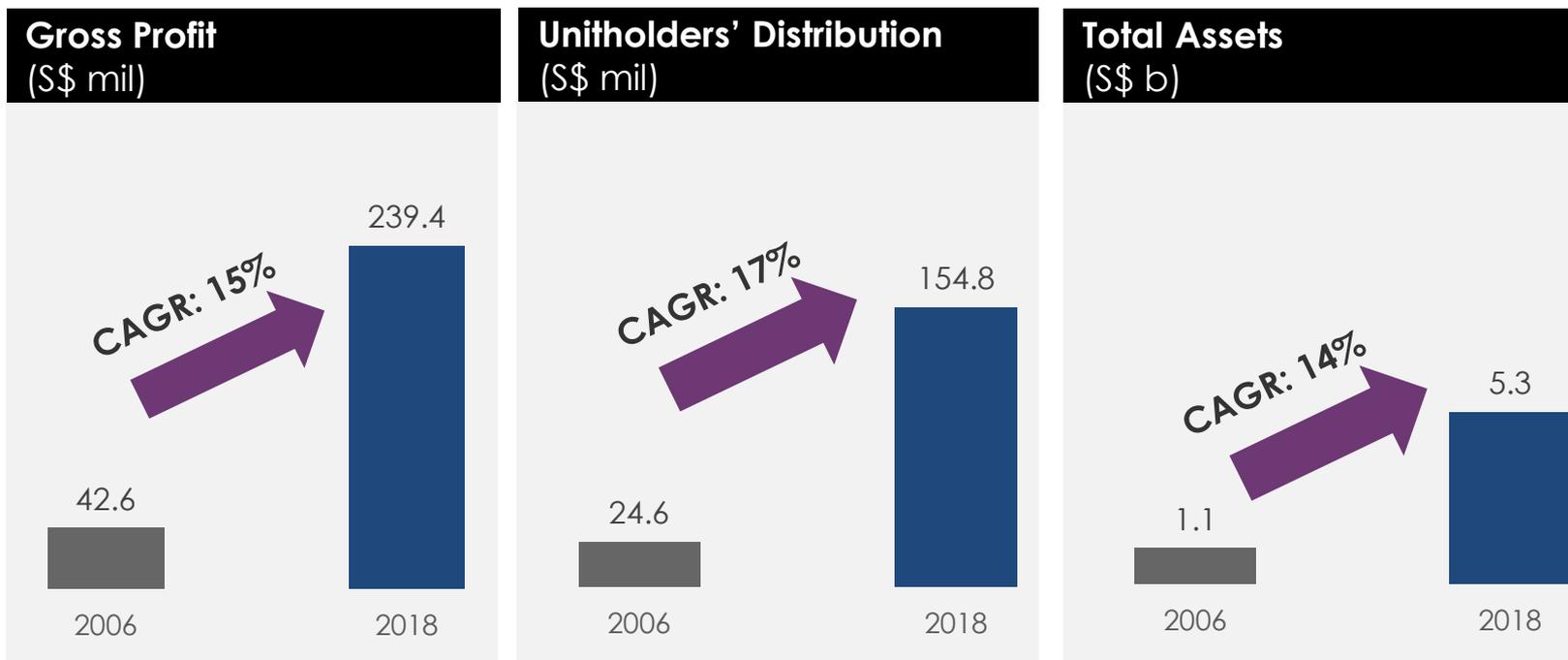
**Award-winning properties operated under established brands**





# Performance Since IPO 12 Years Ago

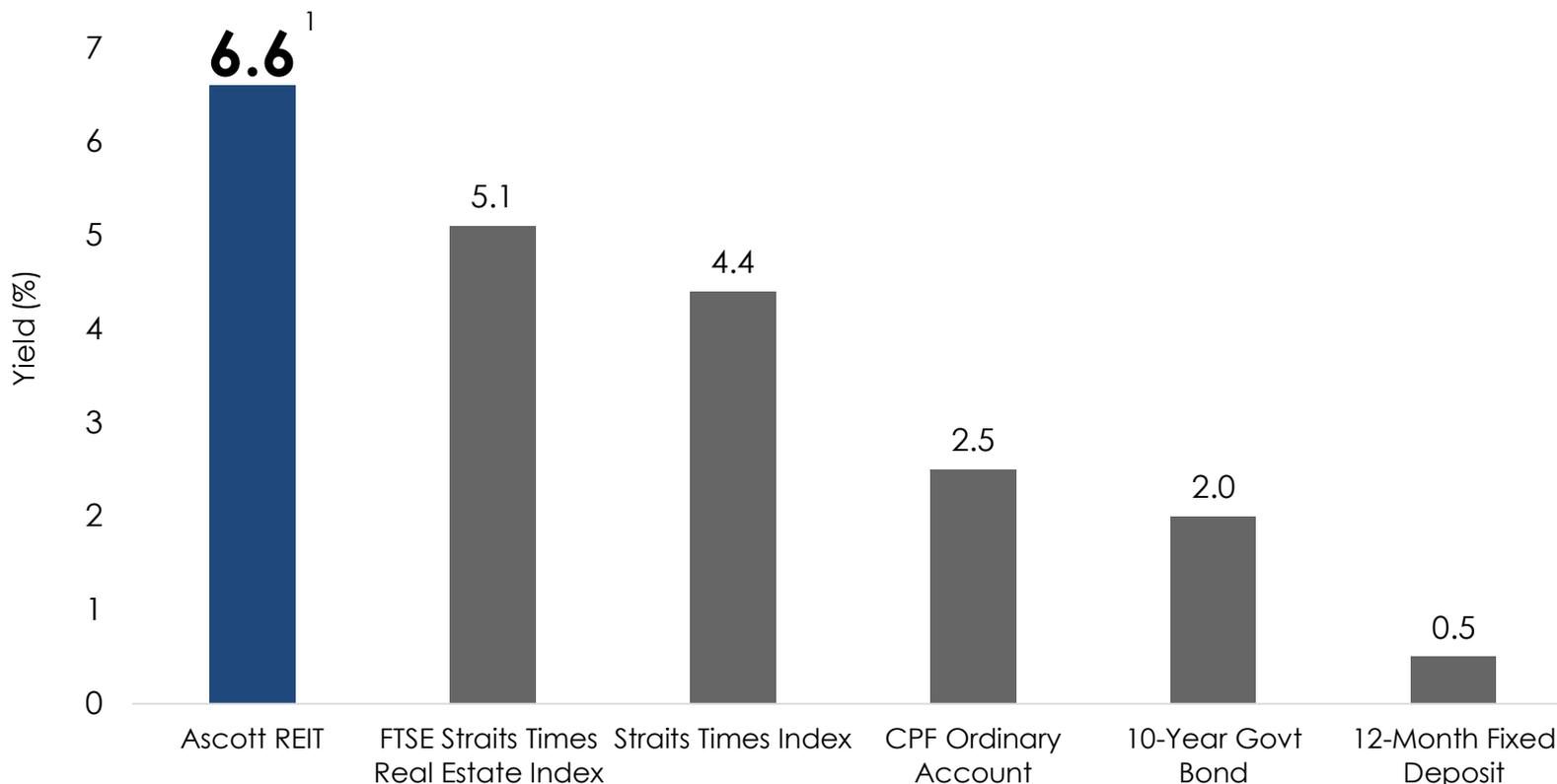
Geographical presence deepened from 7 to 37 cities





# Distribution Yield – FY 2018

DPU Yield of 6.6%, with a 5-Year Average DPU Yield of >6.5%<sup>1</sup>



Notes:

All yield figures are for the year ended 31 December 2018

Sources: Bloomberg, Central Provident Fund Board, Monetary Authority of Singapore,

1. Ascott REIT DPU yield of 6.6% is based on FY 2018 DPU of 7.16 cents and closing unit price of S\$1.08 as at 31 December 2018. 5-year average DPU yield is the average of the FY 2014 to FY 2018 distribution yield



# Awards and Accolades

## Clinched Highly Coveted Accolades



### World Travel Awards 2018

- Leading Serviced Apartments in respective countries

### TripAdvisor Awards

- Travellers' Choice Award 2018 & Certificate of Excellence Award 2018



Asia Pacific  
Best of the Breeds  
REITs AWARDS™

### Asia Pacific Best of the Breeds REITs Awards™ 2018

- Best Hospitality REIT (Platinum award)

### Business Traveller Asia-Pacific Awards 2018

- Best Serviced Residence Brand in Asia Pacific



### Singapore Governance and Transparency Index 2018

- Ranked 3<sup>rd</sup> out of the 43 Trusts



### Travel Weekly Asia Readers' Choice Awards 2018

- Best Serviced Residence Group

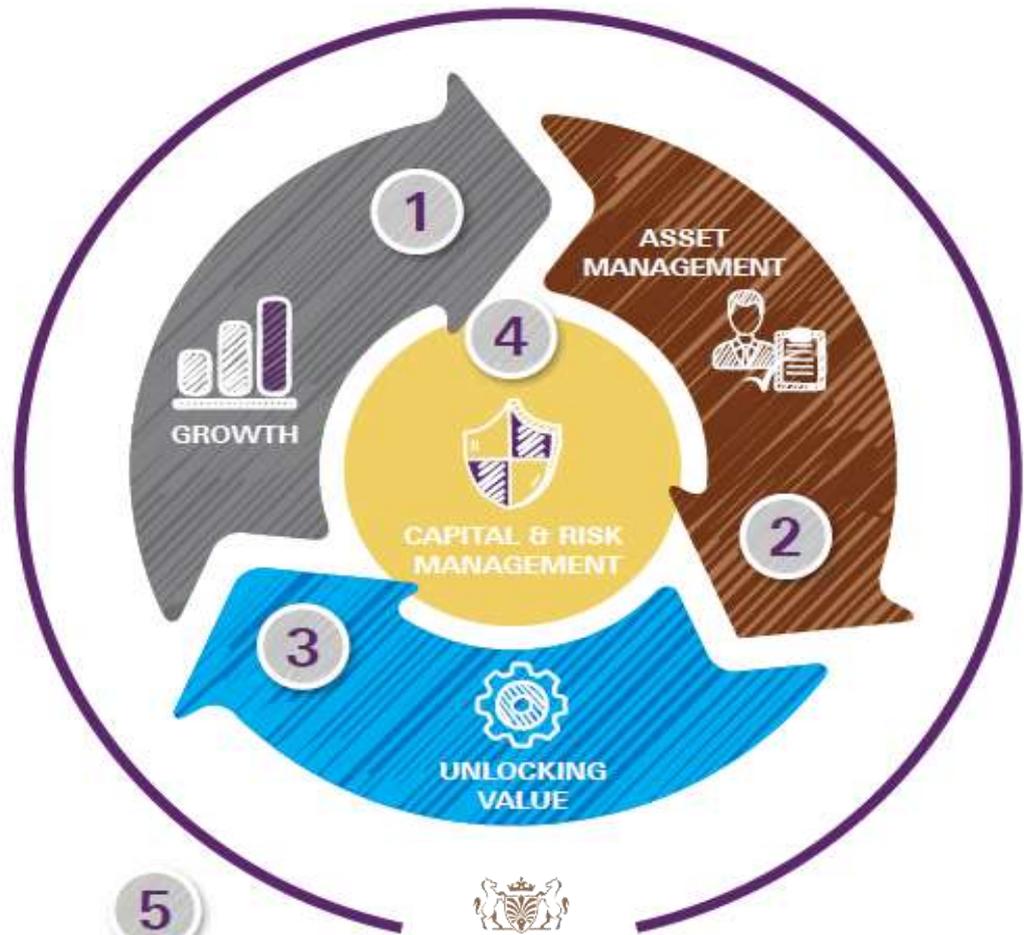
# Value Creation Strategies





# Value Creation

Five pronged approach to deliver value



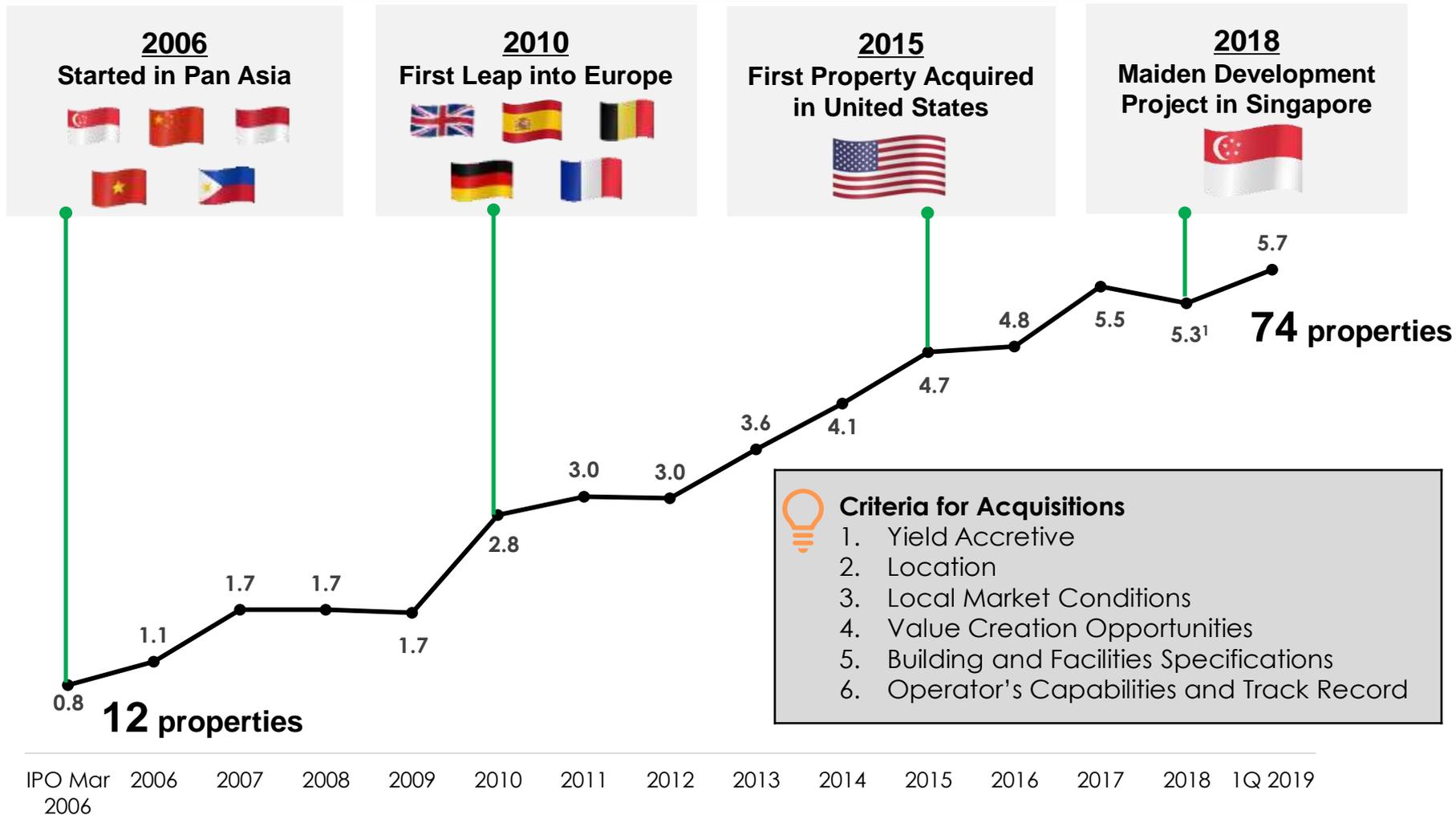
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# Key Milestone Acquisitions since IPO

## Total Assets since Listing (S\$b)



Notes:

1. The decrease in total assets was due to the utilisation of the proceeds from the divestment of Citadines Biyun Shanghai and Citadines Gaoxin Xi'an on 5 January 2018 to repay bank loans



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# Embarked on Maiden Development Project in 2018 to Build New Coliving Product

**lyf one-north Singapore** –  
targeted at rising millennial-minded business traveller market

Concept Design by WOHA



- Maiden **development project**; first **coliving** property, comprising 324 studio and loft units<sup>1</sup>
- Located in **prime** developing district; strengthening presence in Singapore
- one-north an **underserved market** with **limited lodging supply**
- Site hoarding completed. Tender for main contract works in progress, with property slated to open in **2021**
- Yield on cost of **~6%**



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# New Product Catered for the Rising Millennial-Minded Market



- **Coliving**  
– a rising trend in today's sharing economy
- **Efficiently designed units**  
– coworking areas easily converted to workshop zones, event spaces, and social kitchens
- **“Connect” social spaces and social programmes**  
– social spaces designed to facilitate interaction, foster a new way of community living, building connections and being inspired by a like-minded travelling tribe

ADR uplift of 10% to 20% upon completion of Asset Enhancement Initiatives



## Criteria for Asset Enhancement Initiatives

1. Age of the Property
2. Market Outlook
3. Yield Accretion



### Element New York Times Square West

The United States of America

Renovation of apartment units, lobby and public area

Target to complete in 2Q 2019



### Somerset Grand Citra Jakarta

Indonesia

Renovation of 84 apartment units

Target to complete in 2Q 2019



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# Yield-Enhancing Capital Recycling

## Divestment of Ascott Raffles Place Singapore



Photo by Cheoh Wee Keat

- Sale Price of **S\$353.3mil**, or **64.3%** above book value
- Exit Yield of **~2%**
- Estimated net gain of **S\$135.0mil**
- Target completion in **May 2019**

## Acquisition of Citadines Connect Sydney Airport



- Deepen market presence in the stable and resilient market of **Australia**
- Acquired at **A\$60.6mil**, with EBITDA yield of **>6%**
- Target completion in **May 2019**

# Unlocking Value



## Generated ...

Total Net Divestment Gains

S\$0.4 billion

Total Divestment Proceeds

S\$1.6 billion



### Criteria for Divestment

1. Property Life Cycle
2. Market Conditions
3. Requirement for additional capital outlay

Notes:  
Divestment figures above relates to ~10 transactions involving over 30 properties since listing to March 2019 and includes expected divestment gains of ~S\$135.0 million from the sale of Ascott Raffles Place Singapore, to be completed in May 2019 at a sale price of S\$353.3 million



# Capital & Risk Management

## Strong Balance Sheet

At comfortable target gearing of approximately 40%

## Liquidity and Interest Rate Risk Management

Diversified funding sources and proactive interest rate management

Gearing remained low at  
**35.7%**<sup>1</sup>  
(debt headroom<sup>2</sup> of ~S\$900m)  
(vs 36.7%)

**3.6** years<sup>3</sup>  
Weighted average  
debt to maturity  
(vs 3.9 years)

**'BBB'** (stable outlook)  
Long-term rating by Fitch

Interest cover  
**4.5X**<sup>3</sup>  
(vs 4.8X)

NAV Per Unit  
**S\$1.25**<sup>4</sup>  
(vs S\$1.22)

**~80%**<sup>3</sup>  
Total debt on fixed rates  
(vs ~80%)

Low effective borrowing cost of  
**2.1%**<sup>3</sup> per annum  
(vs 2.3% p.a.)

Notes:

Figures above as at/for the period ending 31 March 2019, with 31 December 2018 comparable in brackets

1. Computation of gearing excludes lease liabilities recognised by virtue of FRS 116 as these operating leases were entered into in the ordinary course of business and were in effect before 1 January 2019
2. Refers to the amount of additional debt before reaching aggregate leverage limit of 45% set by MAS
3. Excluding the effect of FRS 116 Leases which was effective 1 January 2019
4. Adjusted NAV per unit, excluding the distributable income to Unitholders, is S\$1.24

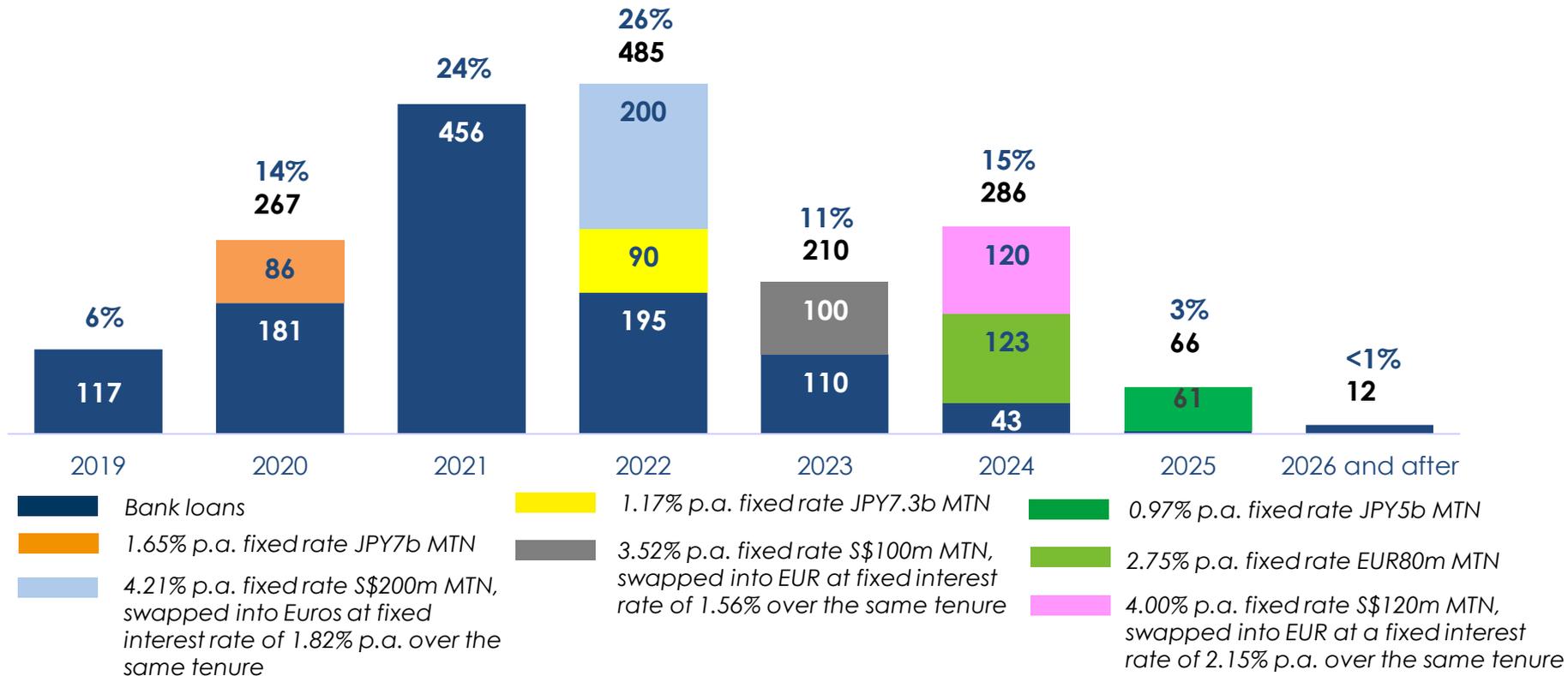


# Diversified Funding Sources Well Spread-out Debt Maturity

Commenced discussions to refinance the debt maturing in 2019  
Well-diversified funding sources of 59% Bank Loans : 41% MTN

## Debt Maturity Profile

S\$'m



Striking a balance between cost of hedging and uncertainty in currency fluctuations



## Considerations for Hedging

1. Natural Hedge Proportion
2. Portfolio Diversification
3. Cost of Hedging
4. Need for Certainty

**~52%**

**Total Assets in Foreign  
Currency Hedged**

### Balance Sheet Hedge

Use of foreign borrowings as natural hedge and swaps to match the capital value of assets on a portfolio basis

**-0.1%**

**Impact of Foreign  
Exchange after hedges on  
Gross Profit for 1Q 2019**

### Income Hedge

Use of forward contracts to hedge foreign currencies income to protect distribution



# Strong Sponsor – The Ascott Limited

A wholly-owned subsidiary of CapitaLand Limited



**ASCOTT**  
Global Footprint

- >100,000 UNITS
- >670<sup>1</sup> PROPERTIES
- >170 CITIES
- 32 COUNTRIES
- 14 BRANDS

**THE ASCOTT LIMITED**  
A Member of CapitaLand

One of the leading international lodging owner-operators

>30 year track record

Sponsor: ~45% CapitaLand ownership in Ascott REIT

Award-winning brands with worldwide recognition

Note:  
1.Exclude the number of properties under the Synergy corporate housing portfolio

# Leveraging Sponsor's Innovation and Technology Initiatives



## Enhance Guest Experience

- Online booking system
- Mobile apps
- Self check-in kiosks
- 3D virtual tours
- Ascott Star Rewards loyalty programme



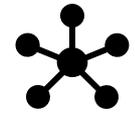
## Data Management

- Data analytics
- Cloud services



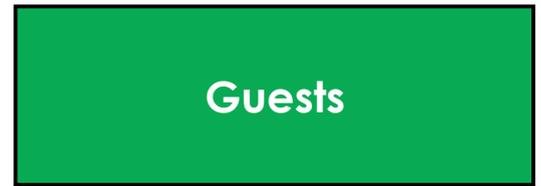
## Improve Productivity

- Service robots
- Digital housekeeping system
- Cloud-based property management system



## Business Sustainability

- Building a connected eco-system across different digital channels and business platforms



engages  
service of



to manage the property and  
provide hospitality services to

# Key Highlights of 1Q 2019





# Key Takeaways – 1Q 2019

▲ **3%**

Y-o-Y

Revenue

▲ **2%**<sup>1</sup>

Y-o-Y

Gross Profit

▲ **3%**

Y-o-Y

RevPAU

▲ **7%**

Y-o-Y

DPU

**8 Key Markets<sup>2</sup> Contributed ~84% of Total Gross Profit  
Better Performance on a Same-Store Basis**

Fair value surplus of

**~\$135.0m**



arising from the sale of Ascott  
Raffles Place Singapore

*expected to complete in May 2019*



Acquisition of  
Prime Freehold  
Limited-Service  
Business Hotel

**Citadines Connect  
Sydney Airport**

*expected to complete in May 2019*

Notes:

1. Excluding FRS 116 impact. If impact is included, gross profit would increase 12%
2. Refers to Australia, China, France, Japan, Singapore, United Kingdom, United States and Vietnam

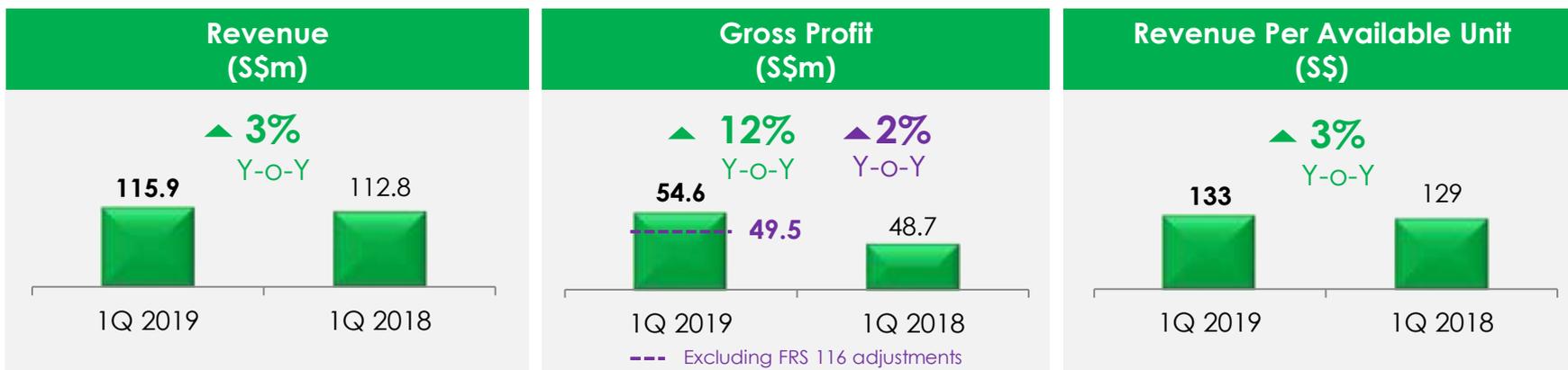


# Financial Highlights

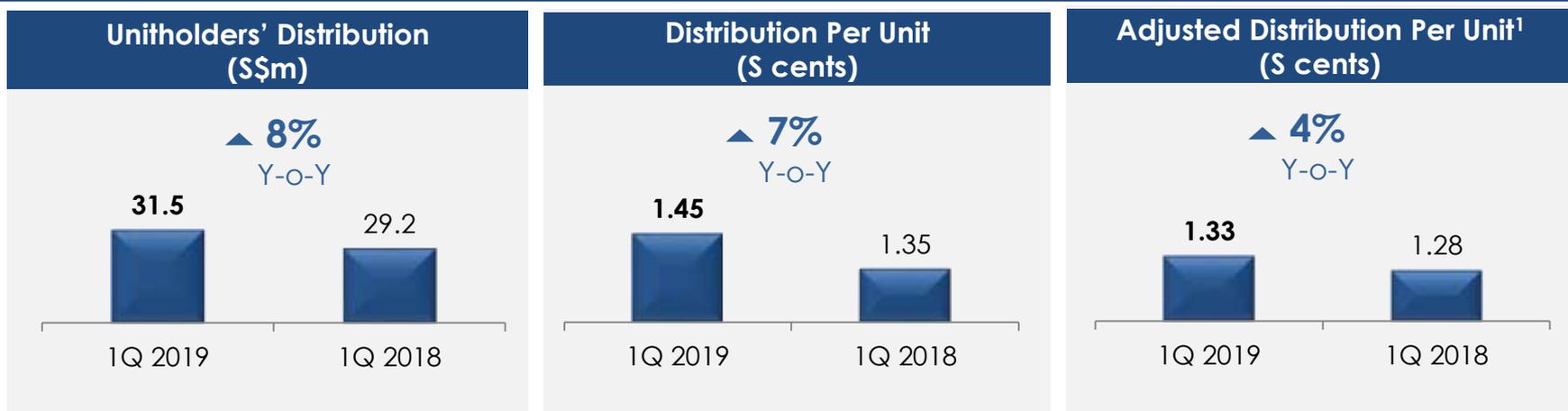
## (1Q 2019 vs 1Q 2018)



Stronger operating performance from properties in Singapore, United Kingdom and Philippines



Higher Unitholders' distribution due to better operating performance, lower financing costs and higher one-off realised exchange gain



Notes:

1. Excludes one-off realised exchange gains arising from the repayment of foreign currency bank loans



# Portfolio Performance



Citadines Trafalgar Square London

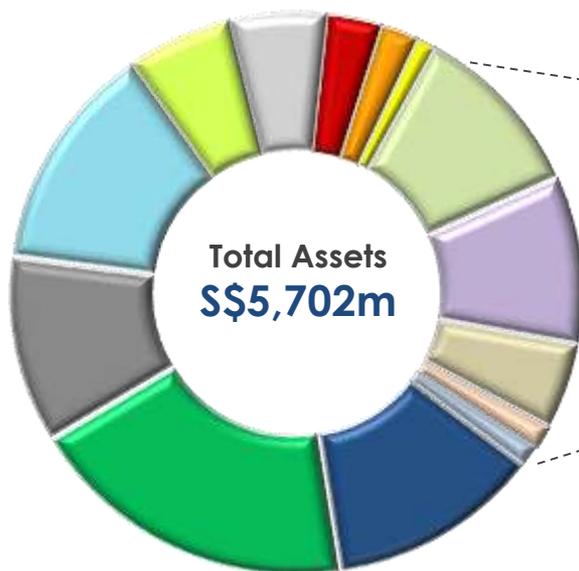


# Performance Driven by Balanced and Diversified Asset Allocation

## 59% Asia Pacific

Asia Pacific	58.9%
Singapore	20.8%
Japan	12.2%
China	9.7%
Vietnam	5.3%
Australia	5.0%
Philippines	3.1%
Indonesia	1.9%
Malaysia	0.9%

## 41% Europe/Americas



Europe	25.1%
France	9.3%
UK	8.9%
Germany	4.4%
Spain	1.3%
Belgium	1.2%
The Americas	16.0%
USA	16.0%

Notes:  
As at 31 March 2019



# Delivering Resilient Performance

**8 Key Markets** contribute ~**84%** of Total Gross Profit  
No concentration in any single market

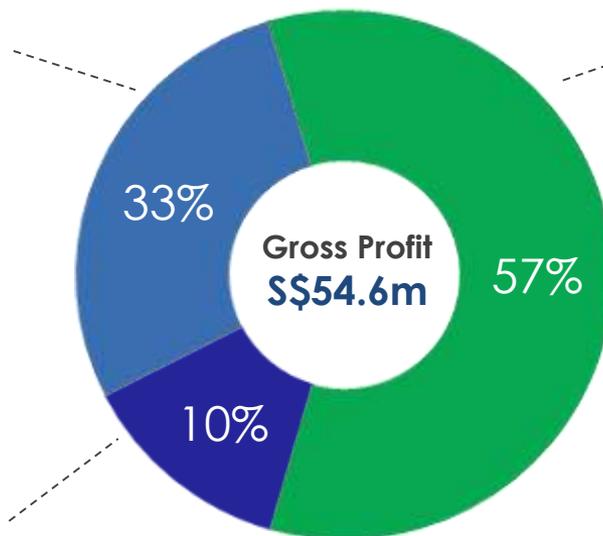
## 43% Stable

**Master Leases 33%**

<b>France</b>	<b>14%</b>
<b>Singapore</b>	<b>10%</b>
Germany	6%
<b>Australia</b>	<b>3%</b>

**MCMGI<sup>1</sup> 10%**

<b>United Kingdom</b>	<b>8%</b>
Belgium	1%
Spain	1%



## 57% Growth

**Management Contracts 57%**

<b>Japan</b>	<b>13%</b>
<b>Vietnam</b>	<b>10%</b>
<b>China</b>	<b>9%</b>
<b>United States</b>	<b>6%</b>
<b>Australia</b>	<b>6%</b>
<b>Singapore</b>	<b>5%</b>
Philippines	4%
Indonesia	3%
Malaysia	<1%

**8 Key Markets: Australia (9%), China (9%), France (14%), Japan (13%), Singapore (15%), United Kingdom (8%), United States (6%) and Vietnam (10%) contribute ~84% of Gross Profit**

Notes:  
Based on 1Q 2019 Gross Profit

1. Management Contracts with Minimum Guaranteed Income



# Balanced Portfolio of Stable Income and Growth Income

	Stable Income		Growth Income
	Master Lease	Management Contracts with Minimum Income Guarantee	Management Contracts
Description	Fixed rental <sup>1</sup> received	Enjoy minimum guaranteed income	Variable amount (no fixed or guaranteed rental)
Location and Number of Properties <sup>2</sup>	27 properties mainly in Europe  France(17) Germany(5) Australia(3) Singapore(2)	7 properties in Europe  United Kingdom(4) Belgium(2) Spain(1)	39 properties mainly in Asia Pacific  Australia(2) China(7) Indonesia(2) Japan(15) Malaysia(1) The Philippines(2) Singapore(2) United States(3) Vietnam(5)
Percentage of Gross Profit <sup>3</sup>	33%	10%	57%
<b>43% Stable</b>		<b>57% Growth</b>	

Notes:

1. Rental received under master leases are generally fixed. However, some contracts provide for annual rental revisions pegged to indices; while some contracts include a variable rental above fixed rental if certain conditions are met

2. As at 31 March 2019 and excluding lyf one-north (under development)

3. Based on 1Q 2019 Gross Profit



# 8 Key Markets Generally Performed Well

Contributed ~84% of Total Gross Profit

	Gross Profit (LC'mil)			RevPAU (LC)			Key Reason for Change	
	1Q 2019	1Q 2018	% Change	1Q 2019	1Q 2018	% Change		
Stable Income	Australia (AUD)	1.8	1.7	6	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	Lower operation and maintenance expense
	France (EUR)	4.8	5.0	(4)	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	Lower rent upon renewal of master leases
	Singapore (SGD)	5.3	4.5	18	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	Stronger corporate and leisure demand and lower depreciation expense
	United Kingdom (GBP)	2.4	2.0	20	119	102	17	Higher corporate and leisure demand
Growth Income	Australia (AUD)	3.2	3.1	3	159	153	4	Higher leisure demand in Melbourne
	China (RMB)	25.4	23.4	9	448	449	-	FRS 116 adjustments, higher long stay and project group demand
	Japan (JPY) <sup>1</sup>	580.5	555.7	4	11,183	10,396	8	Stronger leisure demand
	Singapore (SGD)	2.7	2.0	35	201	165	22	Mainly due to higher market demand
	United States (USD)	2.6	(0.1)	n.a.	140	147	(5)	FRS 116 adjustments; ongoing renovation at Element New York Times Square West
	Vietnam (VND) <sup>2</sup>	97.8	99.0	(1)	1,592	1,614	(1)	Increased supply and competition, and higher staff costs

Notes: All figures above are stated in local currency

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

A photograph of four young children of diverse backgrounds smiling and holding a large globe of the Earth. The globe is the central focus, showing continents and oceans. The children are positioned around the globe, with their hands reaching up to support it. The background is a bright, slightly blurred indoor setting with vertical lines, possibly window blinds. The overall mood is positive and hopeful.

**Looking Forward**

# Outlook

Strategies cushion effects of impending challenges

## Challenges

**New Supply & Industry Disruptor**

**Competition Affecting Yield Enhancement**

**Tapered Economic Growth**



## Strategies

**Rated “BBB” with Stable Outlook by Fitch Ratings**

Maintained investment grade status; ability to borrow at attractive rates

**Active Portfolio & Asset Management**

Active capital recycling & Asset Enhancement Initiatives

**Capital & Risk Management**

~80% of total debt on fixed rates; Debt maturity of 3.6 years

**Diversification**

Asset allocation of ~60% Asia Pacific, 40% Europe/Americas

No gross profit concentration from any single market

**Support of Strong Sponsor**

Leading international lodging owner-operator with > 100,000 units under management

Pipeline of approximately 20 assets under a right-of-first-refusal arrangement

# Appendix

## Key Country Updates

lyf one-north Singapore  
(Artist's Impression)

Concept Design by WOHA



# Australia

Contributed 9% to Gross Profit<sup>1</sup>

Master Lease

Management Contracts



3 Quest Properties

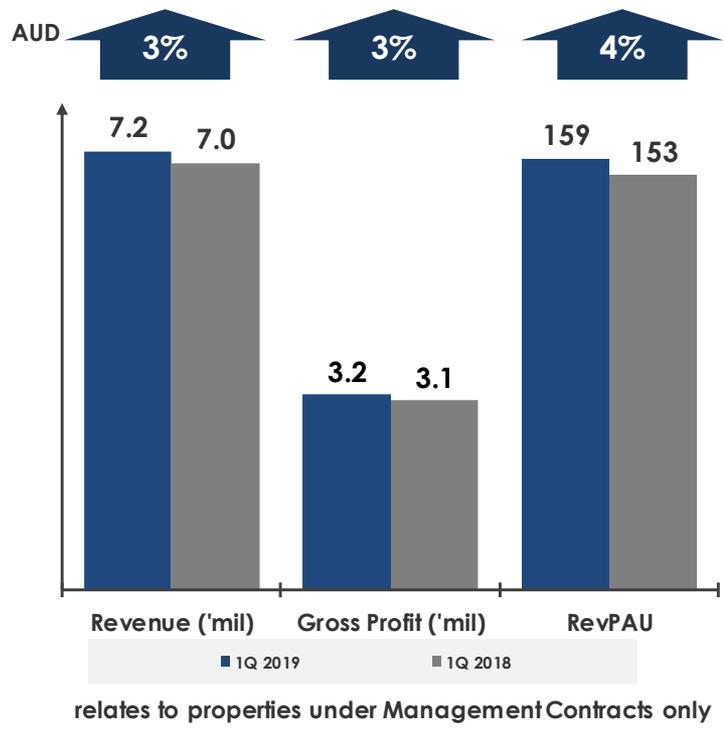


Citadines on Bourke Melbourne



Citadines St Georges Terrace Perth

## Higher leisure demand in Melbourne



## Performance Highlights and Market Outlook

- Revenue increased 3% while RevPAU increased 4%, mainly due to better performance at Citadines on Bourke Melbourne. Operating environment in Perth remained challenging.
- Continued weakness of the AUD put pressure on revenue and gross profit in SGD terms
- IMF forecasted GDP growth of 2.1% for 2019 and a decline in unemployment rate from 5.3% to 4.8% for 2019<sup>2</sup>
- Due to new supply of hotel rooms, RevPAU growth for the Melbourne market is expected to slow in 2019 as occupancy is expected to fall and operators feel pressure to reduce room rates<sup>3</sup>
- Since 2012, the Perth market has experienced ongoing RevPAU decline but the rate of decline moderated in late 2018. Perth market RevPAU is expected to stabilise in 2019<sup>3</sup>

Notes:  
 1. Of which, 3 properties are under Master Lease contracts, and 2 properties under Management Contracts contributed 3% and 6% respectively  
 2. Source: International Monetary Fund (2019)  
 3. Source: CBRE (2019)

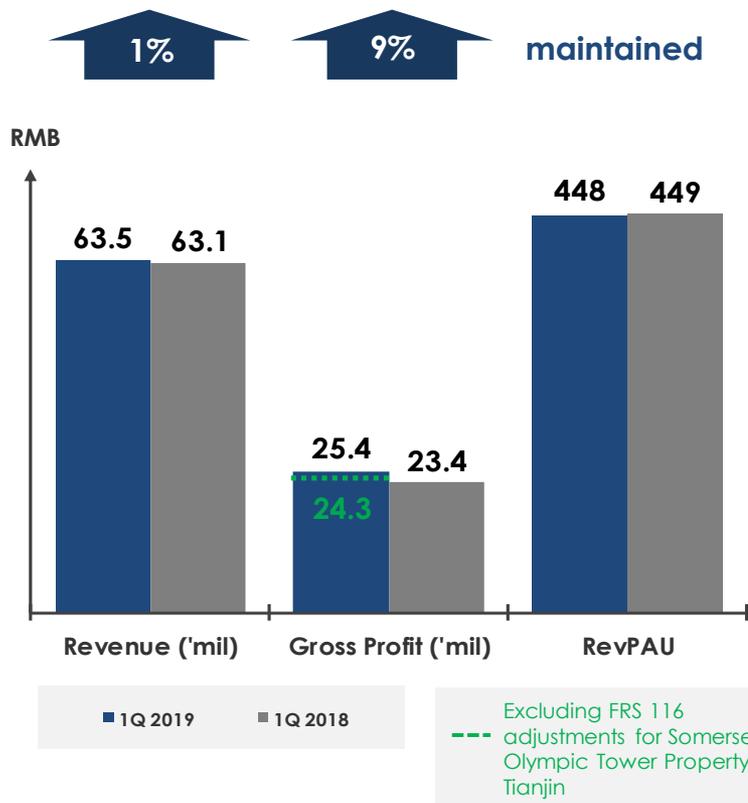




# China

Contributed 9% to Gross Profit

Higher long stay and project group demand



Somerset Xu Hui Shanghai

Ascott Guangzhou

Citadines Xinghai Suzhou

Somerset Olympic Tower Property Tianjin

Somerset Grand Central Dalian

Citadines Zhuan Kou Wuhan

Somerset Heping Shenyang

## Performance Highlights and Market Outlook

- Y-o-Y revenue increased 1%, while RevPAU remained stable. Higher revenue was due to an increase in long stay demand and higher demand from project groups
- Excluding the FRS 116 adjustments, gross profit increased by RMB 0.9 million or 4% due to higher revenue and lower depreciation expense
- IMF forecasted GDP growth of 6.3% for 2019 and unemployment rate to remain unchanged at 3.8% for 2019<sup>1</sup>
- Business travel may be impacted by economic uncertainty and ongoing trade tensions between US and China. Despite these challenges, China's tourism sector saw upticks in arrivals indicating that there is still solid demand from both domestic and international travellers<sup>2</sup>
- Market RevPAR is expected to remain stable for tier 1 and tier 2 cities<sup>2</sup>

Notes:

- Source: International Monetary Fund (2019)
- Savills Research~ Hotel (2019)





# Japan

Contributed 13% to Gross Profit

## Management Contracts



Citadines Central Shinjuku Tokyo



Citadines Shinjuku Tokyo



Citadines Karasuma-Gojo Kyoto

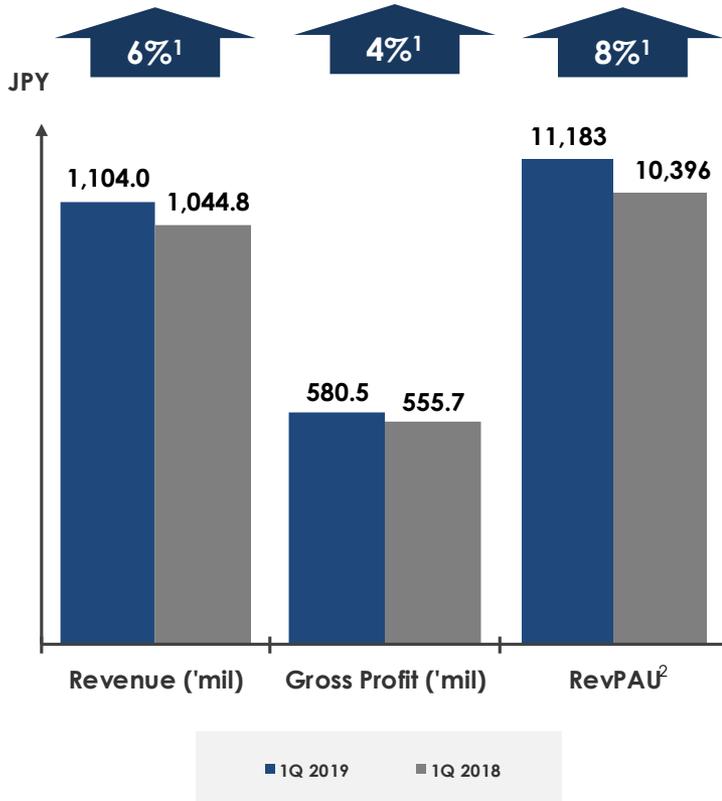


Somerset Azabu East Tokyo



11 rental housing properties in Japan

## Stronger leisure demand



## Performance Highlights and Market Outlook

- Revenue increased 6% and RevPAU was up 8% due to stronger leisure demand at the Tokyo properties
- Gross profit increased 4% due to higher revenue and lower depreciation expense
- IMF forecasted GDP growth of 1.0% for 2019 and unemployment rate remain unchanged at 2.4% for 2019<sup>3</sup>
- Despite the negative pressures of 2018, occupancy recovered in 1Q 2019 and overall hotel performance improved marginally
- International arrivals are expected to grow strongly, spurred by events such as the 2019 Rugby World Cup and the 2020 Tokyo Olympics. Visitor arrivals are expected to hit the 40 million target by 2020<sup>4</sup>

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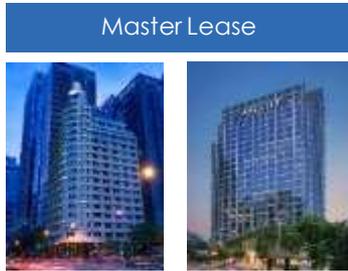
- Including Infini Garden, which was reclassified from Master Lease to Management Contracts after the master lease arrangement expired on 30 June 2018
- RevPAU relates to serviced residences and excludes rental housing properties
- Source: International Monetary Fund (2019)
- Source: Savills (2019)





# Singapore

Contributed 15% to Gross Profit<sup>1</sup>



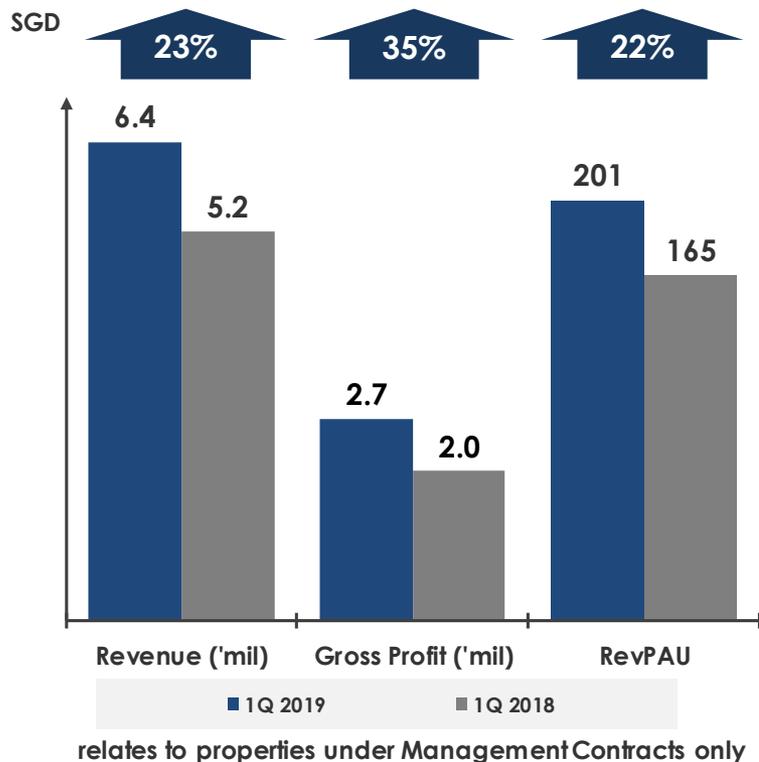
Ascott Raffles Place Singapore

Ascott Orchard Singapore

Somerset Liang Court Property Singapore

Citadines Mount Sophia Property Singapore

Stronger market demand



## Performance Highlights and Market Outlook

- Revenue increased 23% and RevPAU grew 22% due to stronger market demand at all the Singapore properties
- Gross profit increased 35% due to higher revenue, partially offset by higher marketing expense
- IMF forecasted GDP growth of 2.3% and a slight decline in unemployment rate from 2.1% to 2.0% for 2019<sup>2</sup>
- STB forecasted visitor arrivals to be in the range of 18.7 million to 19.2 million in 2019, which is a growth of 1-4% from previous year
- Growth is supported by on-going efforts to keep Singapore attractive, including the newly-opened Jewel Changi Airport, rejuvenation of Orchard Road as a lifestyle belt and strategic partnerships to promote Singapore as a destination of choice<sup>3</sup>
- New room supply is expected to keep pace with the growth in arrivals. While more than 1,800 rooms are expected to open in 2019, about 76% of the upcoming supply is concentrated in the Sentosa and CBD-fringe area

Notes:

- Of which, 2 properties are under Master Lease contracts, and 2 properties under Management Contracts contributed 10% and 5% respectively
- Source: International Monetary Fund (2019)
- Source: The Business Times (2019)





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Trafalgar  
Square London



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Holborn-Covent  
Garden London

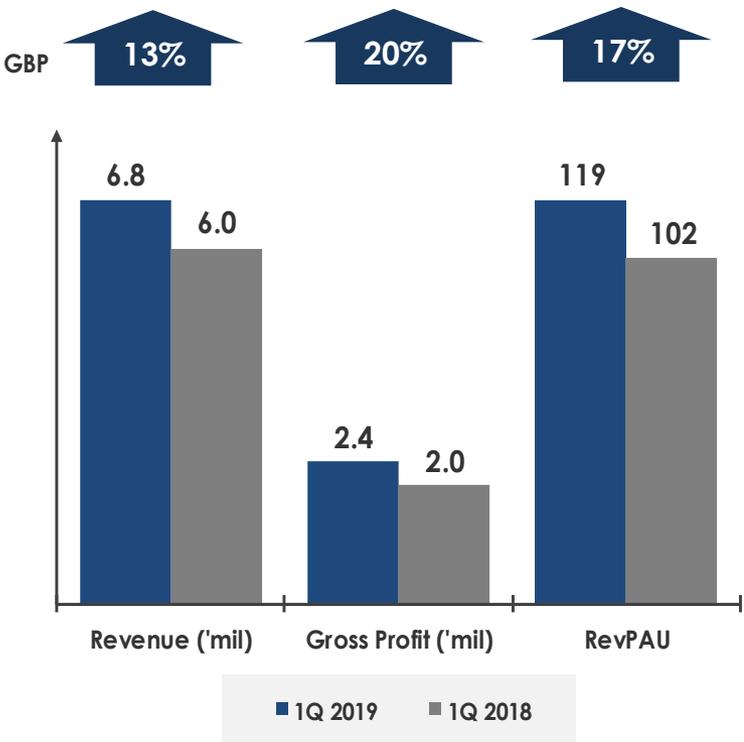


Citadines  
Barbican  
London



Citadines South  
Kensington  
London

Higher corporate and leisure demand



### Performance Highlights and Market Outlook

- Revenue and RevPAU increased by 13% and 17% respectively due to higher corporate and leisure demand. All properties registered stronger performance
- IMF forecasted GDP growth of 1.2% for 2019 and a slight increase in unemployment rate from 4.1% to 4.2% for 2019<sup>1</sup>
- Market demand is positive as the weak GBP continues to support tourism and hotels<sup>2</sup>
- New room supply, slowing economic growth and uncertainty around Brexit remain potential headwinds<sup>2</sup>
- Ascott REIT's UK portfolio has limited downside risks, as it comprises of management contracts with minimum guaranteed income

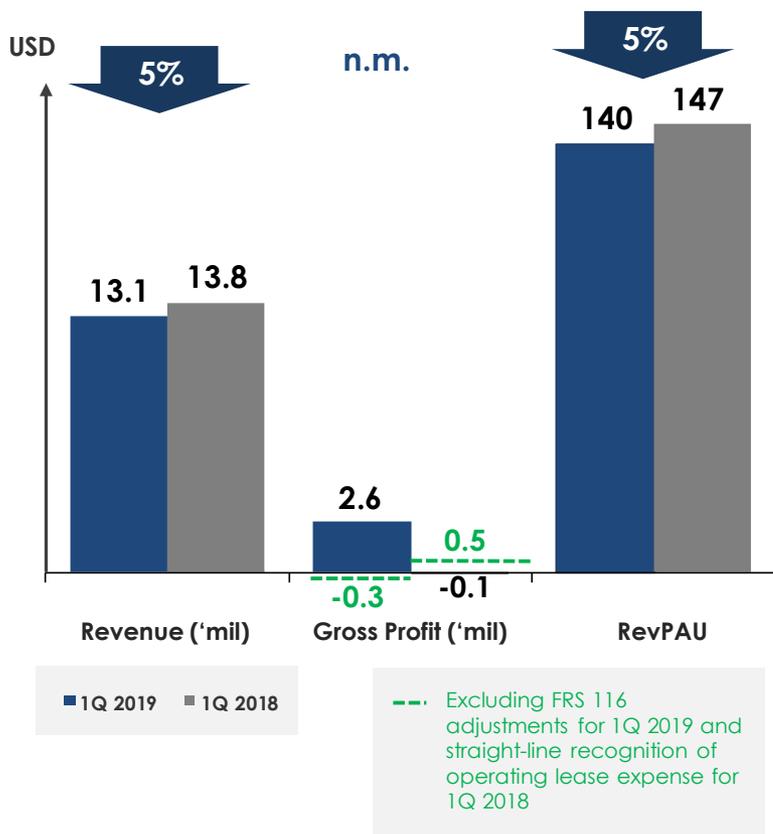
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 1. Source: International Monetary Fund (2019)  
 2. Source: PWC UK (2019)



# United States

Contributed 6% to Gross Profit

Lower revenue due to ongoing renovation works



## Management Contracts



Element New York Times Square West



DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel New York



Sheraton Tribeca New York Hotel

## Performance Highlights and Market Outlook

- Fall in revenue and RevPAU due to ongoing renovation at Element New York Times Square West
- Excluding the FRS 116 and straight-line lease adjustments, and the ongoing renovation at Element New York Times Square West, gross profit was in line with the prior year
- IMF forecasted GDP growth of 2.3% for 2019 and a slight decline in unemployment rate from 3.9% to 3.8% for 2019<sup>1</sup>
- Despite near-term risks including trade tensions, strong economic fundamentals in the US are expected to support the decelerating industry RevPAU growth in 2019<sup>2</sup>
- New lodging supply in New York is expected to be balanced by a growth in demand<sup>3</sup>

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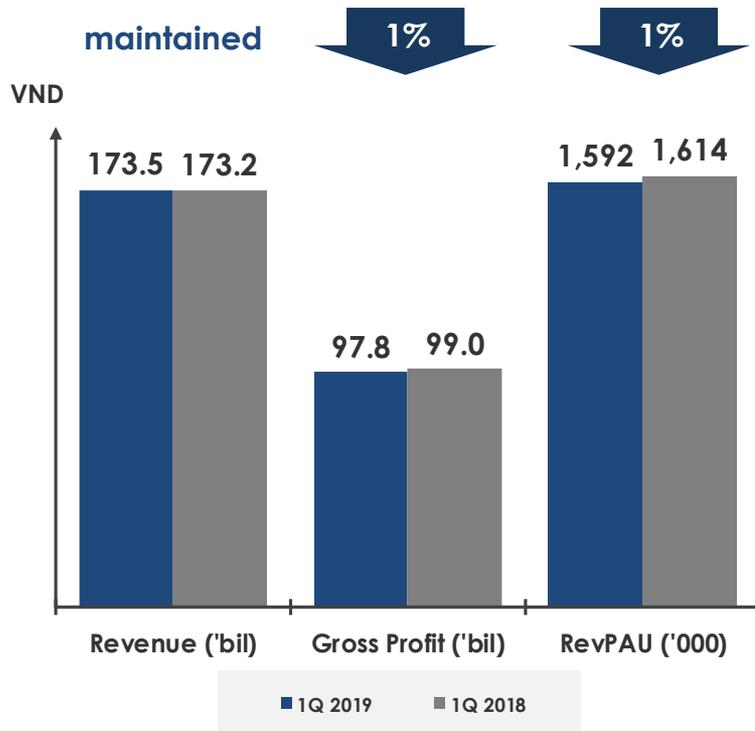
1. Source: International Monetary Fund (2019)
2. Source: PWC (2019)
3. Source: Hotel Management (2019)



# Vietnam

Contributed 10% to Gross Profit

Performance affected by increased supply and competition



## Management Contracts



Somerset Grand Hanoi



Somerset Hoa Binh Hanoi



Somerset West Lake Hanoi



Somerset Ho Chi Minh City



Somerset Chancellor Court Ho Chi Minh City

## Performance Highlights and Market Outlook

- Revenue had a slight increase due to higher commercial rent while RevPAU decreased 1% due to increased supply and competition
- Gross profit decreased 1% due to higher staff costs, partially offset by higher revenue and lower marketing expense
- IMF forecasted GDP growth of 6.5% for 2019 and unemployment rate remain unchanged at 2.2% for 2019<sup>1</sup>
- Tourism will continue to grow albeit at a slower rate. Ho Chi Minh City, due to limited future supply, is expected to maintain good levels of stability in performance<sup>2</sup>
- Somerset Grand Hanoi on track to deliver better performance post-refurbishment

Notes:  
 1. Source: International Monetary Fund (2019)  
 2. Source: Savills (2019)



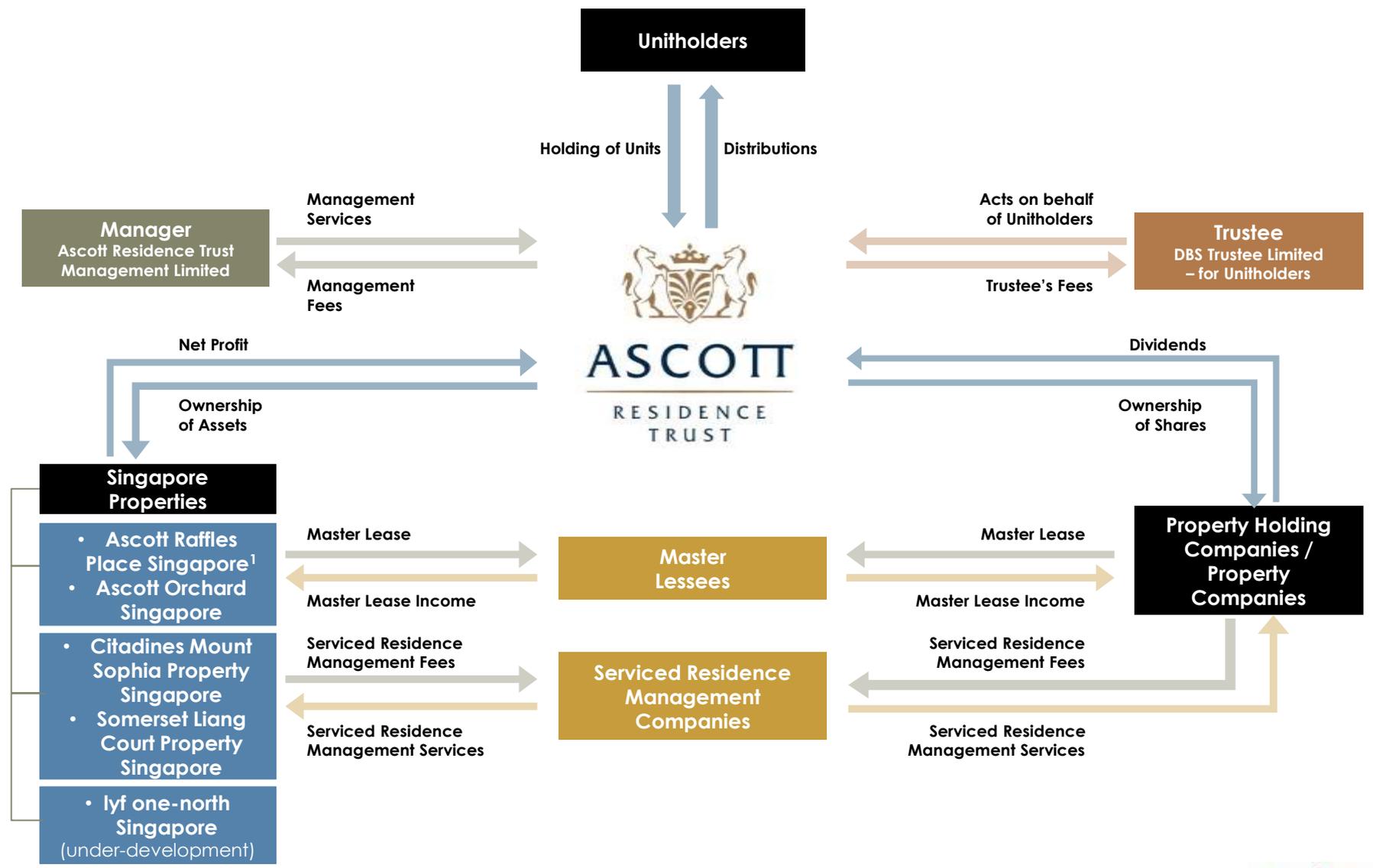
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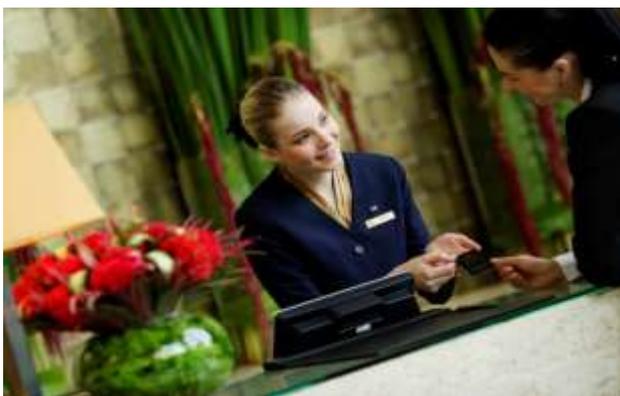
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# Overview of Ascott REIT Structure





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