



# **FY19 Results Presentation**

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# **Section A: FY19 Key Highlights**



### **FY19 Key Highlights**

#### **Successful Delivery of Strategies | Stable Lease Structure**



#### **Stable Financials and Distributions**

- Achieved Distribution Per Unit ("DPU") of **1.510 cents**<sup>1</sup> for 4QFY19, **1.4% higher** than 3QFY19
- Attractive annualised yield of 8.1%<sup>2</sup>



## Proactive Asset Management with Healthy Operating Metrics

- ✓ Successfully Extended Lease Expiry with signing of 3 New Master Leases with Built-in Rental Escalation
- ✓ Weighted Average Lease to Expiry of4.1 years (by gross rental income)
- + 20.6% in Portfolio Valuation to RMB8,118 million largely due to Fuzhou E-Commerce. Base portfolio grew by 1.5% year-on-year



# Disciplined Investment with Acquisition of Yield-Accretive Quality E-Commerce Asset

- Acquisition of Fuzhou E-Commerce, a rare sizable integrated e-commerce logistics asset enlarging EC World REIT's footprint to the e-commerce sector
- Full year revenue contribution expected in FY2020



#### **Prudent Capital and Debt Management**

- Successfully refinanced loans due in July 2019
- ✓ Significantly extending debt maturity
- Weighted Average Term of Debt Expiry of 2.6 years
- **72%** of interest rate risk of **Offshore**Facility on fixed rate



<sup>(1)</sup> For 4QFY19, the Manager has resolved to distribute 95% of the capital distribution to Unitholders. Total amount available for distribution for 4QFY19 is \$\$12.7 million. Based on 100% distribution, DPU would have been 1.590 cents for 4QFY19

<sup>(2)</sup> Based on FY19 DPU of 6.047 cents and Unit Price of S\$0.745 per Unit as at 31 December 2019

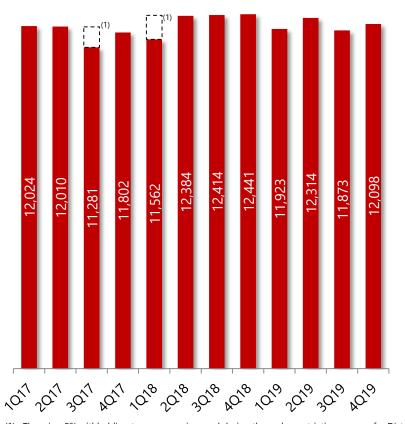
#### **Consistent Returns to Unitholders**

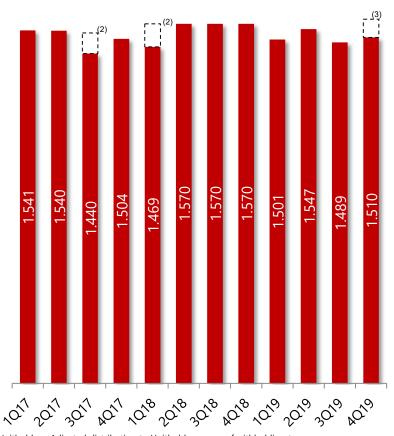
#### **Distribution to Unitholders**

SGD'000

#### **DPU**

Singapore cents



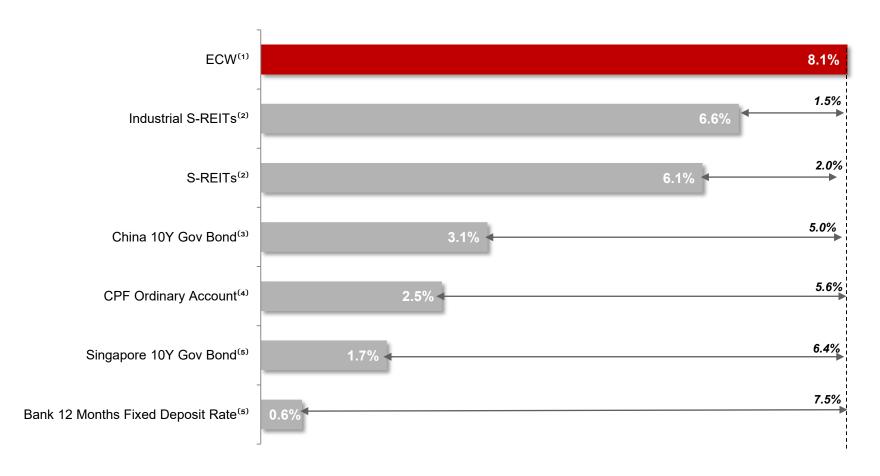


- (1) There is a 5% withholding tax expenses incurred during the cash repatriation process for Distribution to Unitholders. Adjusted distribution to Unitholders gross of withholding tax expenses would be about \$\$12.0 million and \$\$12.4 million for 3Q17 and 1Q18 respectively
- (2) Adjusted DPU gross of withholding tax expenses for 3Q17 and 1Q18 would be 1.530 and 1.570 Singapore cents respectively
- (3) For 4QFY19, the Manager has resolved to distribute 95% of the capital distribution to Unitholders. Based on a 100% distribution, DPU would have been 1.590 cents for 4QFY19.



### **Highly Attractive Distribution Yield**

#### **Attractive Yield Compared to Peers**



<sup>(1)</sup> Based on FY19 DPU of 6.047 cents and Unit Price of S\$0.745 per Unit as at 31 December 2019



<sup>(2)</sup> Based on Broker Research

<sup>(3)</sup> Source: Bloomberg

<sup>(4)</sup> Source: CPF Board

<sup>(5)</sup> Source: Monetary Authority of Singapore





# **Section B: Financial Review**



### **4QFY19 and FY19 Summary Results**

For 4QFY19, the Manager has resolved to distribute 95% of the capital distribution to Unitholders. Total amount available for distribution for 4QFY19 is S\$12.7 million. Based on a 100% distribution, DPU would have been 1.590 cents for 4QFY19.

Year on Year Comparison	4QFY19	4QFY18	Variance (%)	Quarter on Quarter Comparison	4QFY19	3QFY19	Variance (%)
Gross revenue (S\$'000)	25,862	23,473	10.2	Gross revenue (S\$'000)	25,862	25,675	0.7
Net property income (S\$'000)	24,475	20,840	17.4	Net property income (S\$'000)	24,475	22,920	6.8
Distribution to Unitholders (S\$'000)	12,098	12,441	(2.8)	Distribution to Unitholders (S\$'000)	12,098	11,873	1.9
Distribution per unit (Singapore cents)	1.51	1.57	(3.8)	Distribution per unit (Singapore cents)	1.51	1.489	1.4

Full Year Comparison	FY19	FY18	Variance (%)
Gross revenue (S\$'000)	99,128	96,229	3.0
Net property income (S\$'000)	89,737	87,336	2.7
Distribution to Unitholders (S\$'000)	48,208	48,801	(1.2)
Distribution per unit (Singapore cents)	6.047	6.179	(2.1)

### **4QFY19 Distribution Timetable**

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Last Day of Trading on "cum" Basis : 12<sup>th</sup> March 2020 (Thursday)

**Ex-date** : 13<sup>th</sup> March 2020 (Friday)

Record Date : 16<sup>th</sup> March 2020 (Monday)

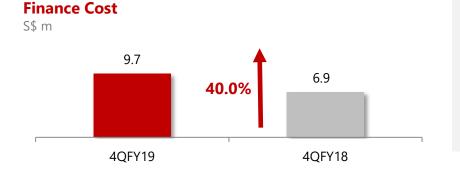
**Distribution Payment Date** : 27<sup>th</sup> March 2020 (Friday)



### **Review of Performance (4QFY19 vs 4QFY18)**







- Gross revenue for 4QFY19 grew by 10.2% to S\$25.9 million underpinned by built-in annual rental escalations in master lease agreements and contribution from Fuzhou E-Commerce acquired in August 2019.
- In RMB terms, the gross revenue was 13.2% higher respectively compared to 4Q18.
- NPI of S\$24.5 million in 4QFY19 is 17.4% higher than 4QFY18 largely due to contribution from Fuzhou E-Commerce
- In RMB terms, NPI would have been 20.5% higher compared to 4Q18
- Finance cost increased 40% to S\$9.7 million mainly due to higher loan quantum due to the acquisition of Fuzhou E-Commerce in August 2019
- Received notification from a tenant for the non-renewal of 24,929 sqm of space at Wuhan Meiluote in 2QFY20.
- Due to the COVID-19, Manager expects demand for space in Wuhan to be muted. Wuhan Meiluote accounts for 1.6% of the REIT's portfolio net property income in FY19.
- Several landlords in China has committed to certain rental rebates<sup>1,2</sup>, ECW anticipates similar requests. Will evaluate requests on a case-by-case basis



### **Prudent Capital Management**

#### **Proactive Capital Management**

#### **FY19 Summary**

- 4QFY19 and FY19 blended running interest rate of 4.4% and 4.5% respectively
- Successfully refinance IPO loans in July 2019 extending Weighted Average Debt Expiry to 2.6 years
- ☐ 72% of offshore facilities has been swapped into fixed rate
- Aggregate leverage of 38.7%
- Entered into FX option contract to lock in SGDRMB for our RMB income source for 1QFY20 distribution

#### **Key Debt Figures**

Total Debt Drawdown as at 31 Dec 2019	<ul> <li>RMB975 million onshore</li> <li>S\$300 million and US\$86.8 million offshore</li> <li>S\$62.7 million RCF (2)</li> </ul>
FY19 Blended Running Interest Rate	<ul> <li>Onshore – 5.6% p.a.</li> <li>Offshore – 4.1% p.a.</li> <li>RCF – 1.9% to 2.6% p.a.</li> </ul>
Hedging Profile Forex (SGD/RMB) 1QFY20	Hedged through call vanilla option • Strike price at CHN 5.20

<sup>(1)</sup> Including amortized upfront fee, the all-in interest rate for 4QFY19 and FY19 is 5.2% and 5.4% respectively



<sup>(2)</sup> S\$62.72 million drawn down from the S\$120.0 million revolving credit facility

### **Healthy Balance Sheet**

S\$'000	As at 31 Dec 2019	As at 31 Dec 2018
Cash and cash equivalents <sup>(1)</sup>	119,469	142,127
Investment Properties	1,567,586	1,335,034
Total Assets	1,724,041	1,515,824
Borrowings	654,514	474,705
Total Liabilities	1,040,116	827,272
Net Assets attributable to Unitholders	683,925	688,552
NAV per unit (S\$)	0.85	0.87

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes RMB194.7 million (S\$37.6 million) cash security deposits received from the master leases and cash deposits of RMB359.8 million (S\$69.5 million) placed as collateral for standby letter of credit ("SBLC") issuance.







# **Section C: Portfolio Update**



### **Stable Portfolio with Augmented Growth Potential**

#### **Built-in Rental Escalations | Exposure to E-Commerce Logistics Sector**

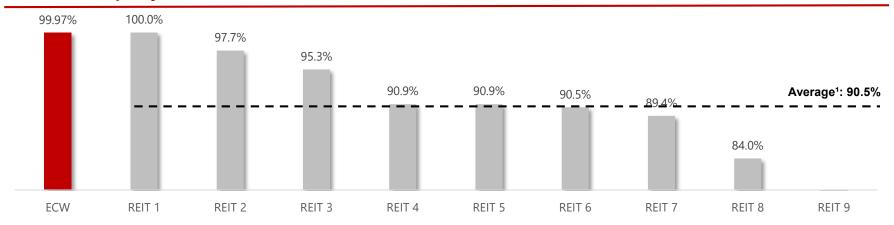
E-Commerce Logistics Assets					
Asset	Lease Structure	Occupancy	Key Highlight		
Fu Heng	Master Lease: 1 Jan 2016 to 31 Dec 2024 Rental escalation of 3.0% on 1st Jan 2020, 2.0% annually from 1st Jan 2021.	100%	Coveted property; entire suite of facilities supporting ecommerce fulfilment		
Fuzhou E-Commerce	Master Lease: 8 Aug 2019 to 7 Aug 2024 Rental escalation of 2.25% per annum	100%	Situated next to Fu Heng. A rare sizable integrated e-commerce logistics asset		
Stage 1 Properties of Bei Gang	Master lease: 1 Nov 2015 to 31 Oct 2024 Rental escalation of 1% on 1 <sup>st</sup> Jan 2020 and 1% from Nov 2020 to Oct 2024	100%	One of the <b>largest e-commerce developments</b> in the region		
Wuhan Meiluote	Multi Tenanted	99.4%	First acquisition in 2018. Tenanted to e-commerce players		
Specialized Logistics Asset					
Asset	Lease Structure	Occupancy	Key Highlight		
Hengde Logistics	Multi Tenanted: 2 main leases.	100%	Customised environment control warehouse space for major SOE tenant <b>China Tobacco</b>		
	Port Logistics Asso	ets			
Asset	Lease Structure	Occupancy	Key Highlight		
Chongxian Port Investment	Master lease: 1 Jan 2016 to 31 Dec 2024 Rental escalation of 3.0% on 1 <sup>st</sup> Jan 2020 and 2.0% annually from 1 <sup>st</sup> Jan 2021	100%	Leading river port with <b>60% market share</b> for steel products in Hangzhou		
Chongxian Port Logistics	Multi Tenanted	100%	<b>Integrated operations</b> , storage processing and logistics distribution for steel products		
Fu Zhuo Industrial	Two main tenancies: (1) Apr 2015 to Apr 2020: 10% annually in first 3 years, 15% from Year 4 from and (2) 7.5% every 3 years from Oct 2014 to Oct 2029	100%	Adjacent to port; for cement related products		

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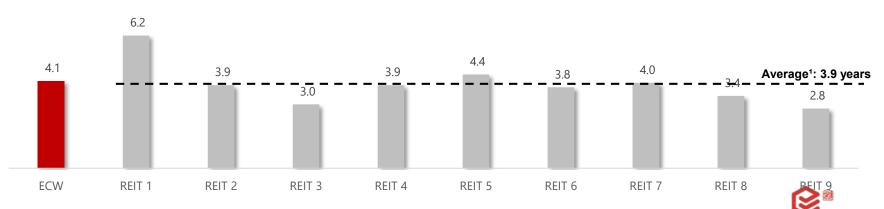
### **Resilient Asset Portfolio and Healthy Lease Structure**

- ✓ Market leading occupancy rate
- ✓ Healthy WALE of 4.1 years by Gross Rental Income
- ☑ Defensive lease structure provides stability and visibility of future cash flows

#### **Portfolio Occupancy (Industrial S-REITs)**

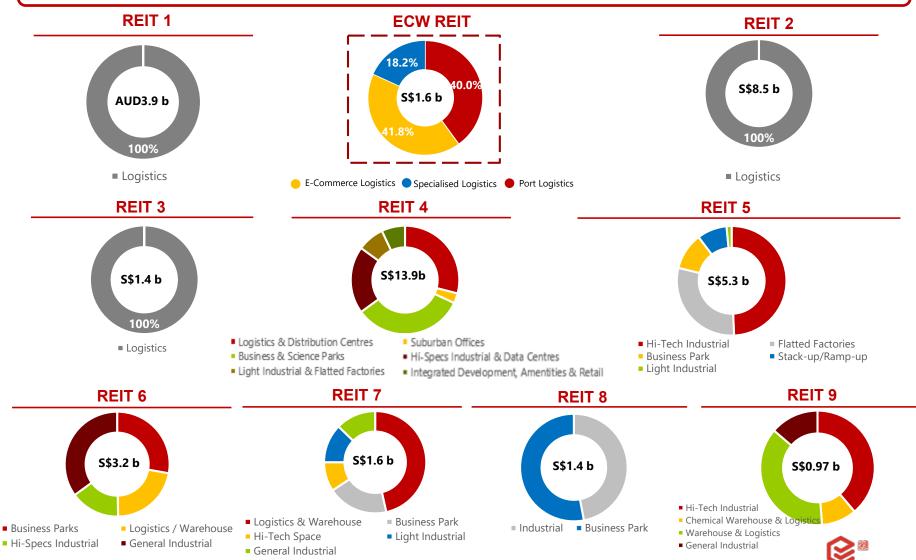


#### Portfolio WALE<sup>2</sup> (Years) (Industrial S-REITs)



### **Unique Exposure to the Booming China E-Commerce Sector**



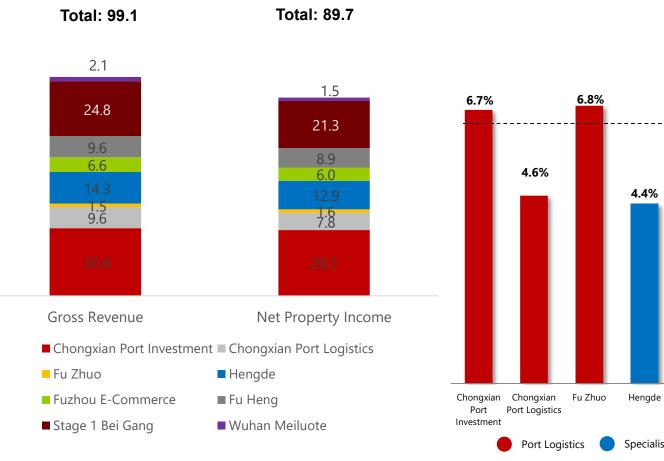


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### **Summary Assets Performance**

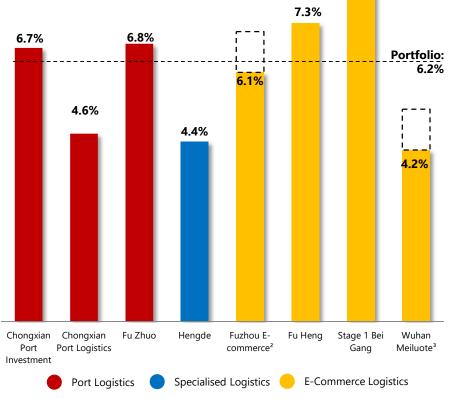
#### FY19 Breakdown by Gross Revenue and NPI (SGD m)

#### FY19 NPI Yield (1)





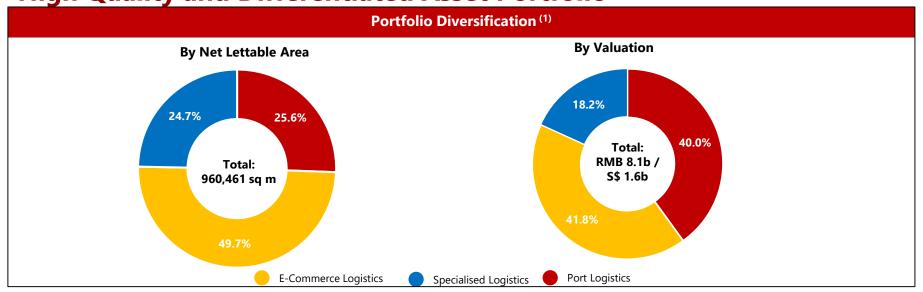
<sup>(2)</sup> Using acquisition price of RMB1,112.5 million, FY19 NPI yield would be 7.1%

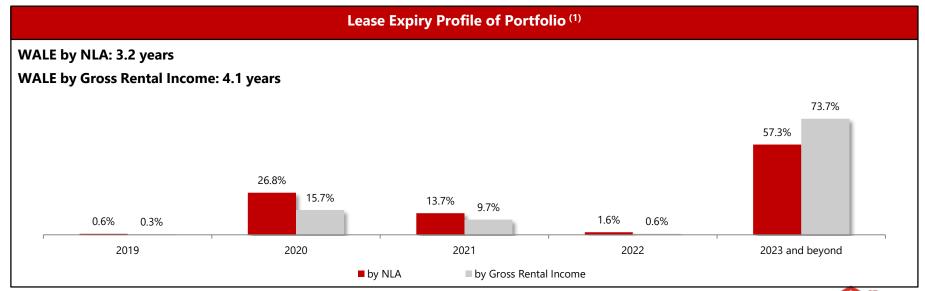


8.2%

<sup>(3)</sup> Using acquisition price of RMB145 million, FY19 NPI yield will be 5.2%

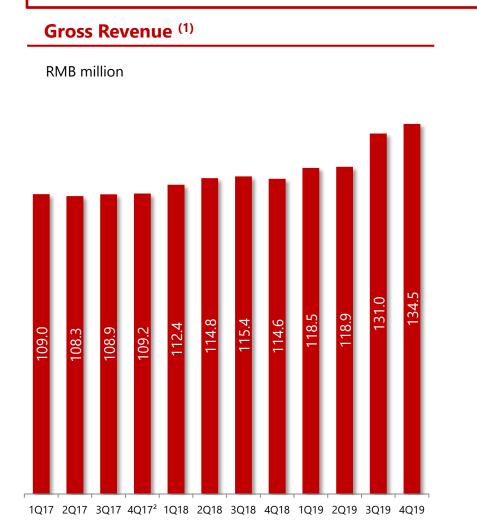
### **High Quality and Differentiated Asset Portfolio**





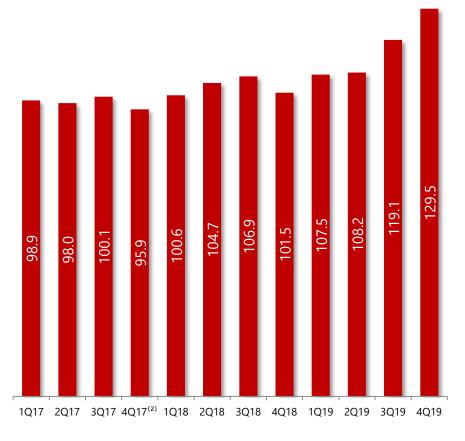
### **Strong Asset Portfolio Performance**

#### **Portfolio Continues to Deliver Strong Operating Performance Despite Macro Uncertainties**



#### **Net Property Income** (1)







<sup>(1)</sup> Excluding straight-line, security deposit accretion and other relevant distribution adjustments

<sup>(2)</sup> Including a provision of impairment (RMB5.2m) of receivables at Fu Zhuo as at 31 Dec 2017. There was no impact to DPU for FY17





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