



*For Immediate Release*

## **Sasseur REIT will be included in FTSE EPRA Nareit Global Emerging Index from 23 December 2019**

**Singapore, 6 December 2019** – Sasseur Asset Management Pte. Ltd. (“SAMPL”), the manager of Singapore Exchange (“SGX”) Mainboard-listed Sasseur Real Estate Investment Trust (“Sasseur REIT”; 砂之船房地产投资信托), the first outlet mall REIT listed in Asia, is pleased to announce that Sasseur REIT will be included in the FTSE EPRA Nareit Global Emerging Index (“Index”) with effect from 23 December 2019.

Mr. Anthony Ang, CEO of SAMPL, said, “We are delighted to reach this new milestone after surpassing the billion-dollar market capitalisation mark last month. As we approach our second anniversary of listing in March 2020, it is gratifying that Sasseur REIT will soon be on the radar of many global real estate equity funds. We look forward to enjoy higher visibility and trading liquidity from institutional investors through our inclusion in this Index. Our team at Sasseur REIT will strive to engage with this enlarged investment community and promote Sasseur’s value proposition by leveraging on the first mover advantage of our unique Entrusted Manager Agreement (“EMA”) income model. With the support of our sponsor, the Sasseur Group which has a pipeline of eleven outlet malls in China currently under its management, Sasseur REIT is well-positioned to increase its share of the high growth China retail outlet market that is forecasted to overtake the U.S. market in 2030 at USD 96.2 billion<sup>1</sup>.”

The FTSE EPRA Nareit Global Emerging Index is a collaboration between FTSE Russell, the European Public Real Estate Association (“EPRA”) and the National Association of Real Estate Investment Trusts (“Nareit”). The Index covers the performance of listed real estate companies and REITs in emerging markets, and is seen as the leading benchmark for listed real estate investments.

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<sup>1</sup> Source: China Insights Consultancy – Independent Market Research Report



## **About Sasseur REIT**

Sasseur REIT is the first retail outlet mall REIT listed in Asia. Sasseur REIT offers investors the unique opportunity to invest in the fast-growing retail outlet mall sector in the People's Republic of China (the "PRC") through its initial portfolio of four quality retail outlet mall assets strategically located in fast-growing cities in China such as Chongqing, Bishan, Hefei and Kunming, with a net lettable area of 312,844 square metres.

Sasseur REIT is established with the investment strategy to investing principally, directly or indirectly, in a diversified portfolio of income-producing real estate which is used primarily for retail outlet mall purposes, as well as real estate related assets in relation to the foregoing, with an initial focus on Asia.

For more information on Sasseur REIT, please visit <http://www.sasseurreit.com/>.

## **About the Manager – SASSEUR ASSET MANAGEMENT PTE.LTD.**

Sasseur REIT is managed by the Manager, an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Sponsor. The Manager's key responsibility is to manage Sasseur REIT's assets and liabilities for the benefit of Unitholders.

As the first retail outlet mall REIT listed in Asia, the Manager intends to utilise Sasseur REIT's first-mover advantage and acquire suitable properties with good investment characteristics in Asia or other parts of the world. The Manager's growth strategy is to identify and selectively pursue acquisition opportunities in quality income-producing properties used mainly for retail outlet mall purposes initially in the PRC and subsequently in other countries.

## **About the Sponsor – SASSEUR CAYMAN HOLDING LIMITED**

The Sponsor Group is one of the leading premium outlet groups in the PRC, ranked within the top 500 service companies in the PRC. With about 30 years of experience in art-commerce, the Sponsor Group has attained recognition in Asia as a leading outlet operator which adopts a strategic approach of integrating emotion, aesthetics, scenario planning and prudent capital management, as well as its "A x (1+N) x DT" Super Outlet business model.

For more information on the Sponsor, please visit <http://www.sasseur.com/>.



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### Sponsorship Statement:

DBS Bank Ltd. was the sole financial adviser and issue manager for the initial public offering of Sasseur REIT (the “Offering”). DBS Bank Ltd. and Bank of China Limited, Singapore Branch were the joint global coordinators to the Offering. DBS Bank Ltd., Bank of China Limited, Singapore Branch, China International Capital Corporation (Singapore) Pte. Limited, Citigroup Global Markets Singapore Pte. Ltd., Credit Suisse (Singapore) Limited, Haitong International Securities (Singapore) Pte. Ltd. and Maybank Kim Eng Securities Pte. Ltd. were the joint bookrunners and underwriters to the Offering.