## Phillip Securities Research Morning Call

21st September 2020

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# First Sponsor Group Limited

Your financier, developer and landlord

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First Sponsor Group Limited (FSG) is a developer (FY19 revenue: 50%), owner (22.5%) and financier (27.5%) of property projects. It operates in China (FY19 revenue: 58%), Europe (40%) and Australia (2%).

- Investment Merits
- 1. Unrecognised revenue as of 1H20 amounts to S\$586mn; S\$1.95bn of gross development value yet to be unlocked for existing projects equivalent to 5-6 years of sale.
- 2. Humen Transit Oriented Development to become one of FSG's largest development projects to date
- High recurring income for its Chinese property financing business plus double-digit growth in securitised loan book.

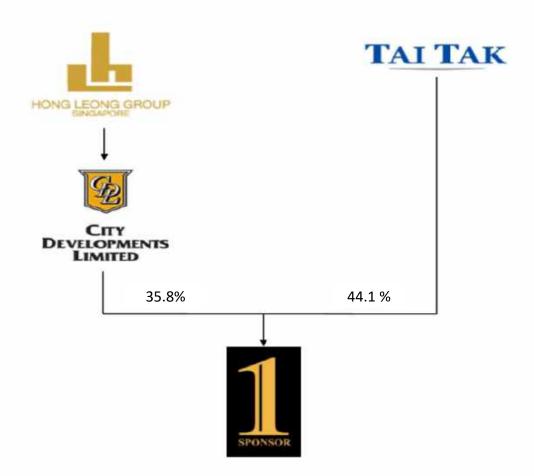
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## **Key Stakeholders**

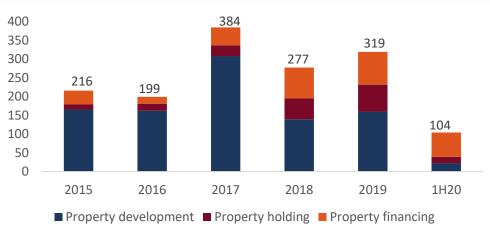
- Tai Tak Estates Sendirian Berhad (Tai Tak) is a private company which was incorporated in Singapore in 1954. It currently invests in a wide range of businesses, including plantations, listed and private equities, property holding and development.
- 2. Hong Leong Group is a globally diversified company with gross assets of over S\$40bn. The Group's four core businesses are property development, hotels, financial services, and trade & industry.



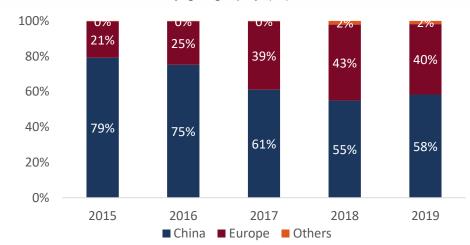


#### Revenue

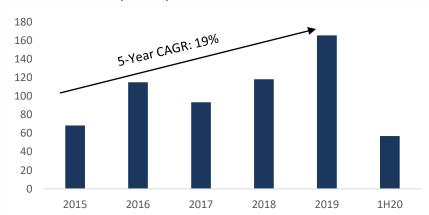
#### Revenue contribution by segment (S\$mn)



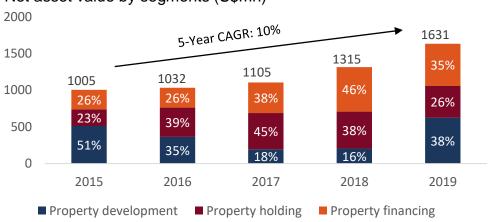
#### Revenue contribution by geography (%)



#### Profit after tax (S\$mn)



#### Net asset value by segments (S\$mn)



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## A. Property Development

Development properties	City	Effective	Land Use Rights	Site area	GFA	Total GDV
		Interest	Expiry	(sqm)	(sqm)*	(S\$mn)
<u>China</u>						
Millennium Waterfront (Plots E & F) (Figure 7)	Chengdu	100%	2051	48,237	470,450	756
The Pinnacle (Figure 8)	Dongguan	60%	2058 (commercial) 2088 (residential)	36,404	75,400	273
Star of East River** (Figure 9)	Dongguan	30%	2054 (commercial) 2084 (residential)	49,136	177,000	256
Emerald of the Orient	Dongguan	20%	2058 (commercial) 2088 (residential)	67,477	144,371	173
Skyline Garden (Figure 10)	Dongguan	27%	2059 (commercial) 2089 (residential)	42,343	209,700	284
Humen TOD Project (Figure 11)	Dongguan	17%	2060 (commercial) 2090 (residential)	200,000	1,034,159	808
<u>The Netherlands</u>						
Meerparc	Amsterdam	100%	Freehold	9,744	-	-
Dreeftoren	Amsterdam	100%	2039***	5,740	-	-
The Terraced Tower	Rotterdam	33%	Freehold	1,220	39,539	48
Total				460,301	2,150,619	2,597











#### A. Property Development Key Highlights

#### 1. Unrecognised revenue from development properties amounts to c.S\$586mn.

Development properties	Revenue to be recognised from handover/% of completion	Revenue (S\$mn)
<u>China</u>	Revenue is recognised upon handover	
	FSG has recognised profit from all 7,302 residential units in Plots A to D.	
Millennium Waterfront (Plots E & F)	For Plot F, 84.2% of the SOHO loft units has been sold. It is expected to be	67
	handed over in phases from early 2021.	
	It launched five residential blocks for sale in phases since April 2020 which	
The Pinnacle	were almost fully sold soon after their respective launches. It is expected	158
	to be handed over in phases from 2021.	
	One SOHO block was handed over in March 2020, another is expected to	
Star of East River*	be handed over in 2021. Office block that is 89.7% sold is expected to be	218
	handed over in late 2020/early 2021	
Emerald of the Orient	All sold units (852 residential units and 137 villas) are expected to be	138
Ellierald of the Orient	handed over from late 2020 to early 2021.	130
The Netherlands	Revenue is recognised based on % completion	
	The Terraced Tower comprises 340 residential units, retail spaces and 212	
The Terraced Tower*	car park lots. It is expected to be completed by 2021. The property is	
	estimated to be c.80% completed	6
Total		586

#### A. Property Development Key Highlights

2. c.S\$1.95bn of gross development value (GDV) is yet to be unlocked for existing projects, which is equivalent to 5-6 years of sale.

Development properties	Development/ Selling/ Leasing potential yet to be unlocked	GDV (S\$mn)
<u>China</u>		
Millennium Waterfront (Plots E & F)	For Plot F, there are 15.8% of the SOHO loft units left to be sold. Plot E will	689
Willemidii Waternont (Flots E & F)	be the last development plot for the project.	069
The Pinnacle	There are 2 more residential blocks in the next phase to be launched. The	115
The Filliacie	SOHO cluster is expected to be launched for presale in 4Q20.	113
	One unit in the SOHO blocks left to be sold. As at 2Q20, 89.7% of the office	
Star of East River	tower block (778units) were sold, while 86.2% of the 27,335sqm retail	15
	lettable floor area of the commercial podium has been leased.	
	2 saleable residential units left to be sold. 222 residential units (24,605	
Emerald of the Orient	sqm) and 31 villas (4,452 sqm) to be kept for a minimum holding period of	35
	5 years	
	Comprises development of 5 residential blocks, 7 SOHO blocks as well as	
Skyline Garden	4,400 sqm of commercial space. The development of the project is on	284
Skyllife Garden	track and the pre-sale of the residential component is expected to	204
	commence in 4Q20.	
Humen TOD Project	A transit-oriented development in excess of 1 million sqm GFA	808
Total		1,947



#### A. Property Development Key Highlights

3. Humen TOD to become one of FSG's largest development project to date. FSG successfully bidded for a mixed-use development at RMB 6.6bn (c.S\$1.3bn) in a joint venture (JV) with China Poly Group and China State Railway Group. The land will be developed into a transit-oriented development in excess of 1mn sqm GFA, encompassing the Guangzhou-Hong Kong High-speed Railway Humen Station, Guangzhou Shenzhen Intercity Railway Humen Station, Dongguan Metro Line 2 Humen Station and Dongguan Humen Bus Interchange. FSG has c.17% effective equity interest in the JV.





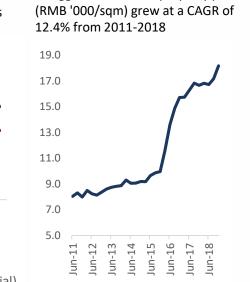
#### A. Property Development Key Highlights

4. Too Hot! Overwhelming interest for the Dongguan property market. Buying sentiments in the Dongguan property market have exceeded FSG's expectations after normal business activities resumed in late February 2020. As of 30 June, almost all the SOHO units in the SoER project and saleable residential units in the EoO project were sold. Similarly, The Pinnacle project launched five residential blocks for sale in phases since April which were also almost fully sold soon after their respective launches. Another residential block was launched for pre-sale on 14 July and has since sold more than 85%.





Real estate investments in China



Dongguan residential property prices

# **B. Property Holding** – FSG owns a portfolio of hotels and investment properties in Europe and China.

Investment properties	Effective interest	Land Use Rights - Expiry	NLA (sqm)
<u>The Netherlands</u>			
Arena Towers #	100%	2053*	17,396
Berg & Bosch	33%	Freehold	34,024
Herengracht 21	33%	Freehold	473
Mondriaan Tower	33%	Freehold	24,936
Munthof	33%	Freehold	3,515
Oliphant	33%	2048*	21,136
Zuiderhof I	33%	2050*	12,538
<u>Germany</u>			
Le Méridien Frankfurt	50%	Freehold	15,602
Total			129,620





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	Effective interest	Land Use Rights - Expiry	GFA (sqm)	Number of rooms
<u>China</u>				
Crowne Plaza Chengdu Wenjiang				
Hotel & Holiday Inn Express	100%	2051	81,041	608
Chengdu Wenjiang Hotspring Hotel	10070	2031	81,041	000
(Fig. 17)				
The Netherlands				
Hampton by Hilton Utrecht				193 (Hampton)
Centraal Station & Crowne Plaza	100%	2069	13,822	144 (Crowne Plaza)
Utrecht Centraal Station				144 (CIOWIIE FIAZA)
Hilton Rotterdam (Fig. 18)	33%	Freehold	20,800	254
Bilderberg Garden Hotel	210/	2020*^	6.020	124
Amsterdam	3170	2020 - 7	6,920	124
Bilderberg Parkhotel Rotterdam	31%	Freehold	12,875	194
Bilderberg Europa Hotel	24.07	2026*	0.050	474
Scheveningen	31%	2026*	9,950	174
Bilderberg Kasteel Vaalsbroek	31%	Freehold	16,270	130
Hotel de Bilderberg	31%	Freehold	12,685	146
Bilderberg Hotel De Keizerskroon	31%	Freehold	7,588	93
Bilderberg Hotel 't Speulderbos	31%	Freehold	10,150	102
Bilderberg Résidence Groot	240/	5 1 11	7.500	0.4
Heideborgh	31%	Freehold	7,530	84
Bilderberg Grand Hotel Wientjes	31%	Freehold	4,087	57
Bilderberg Hotel De Bovenste	210/	Freehold	6,575	82
Molen	31/0	Free Hold	0,373	02
Bilderberg Château Holtmühle	31%	Freehold	5,600	66
Germany				
Bilderberg Bellevue Hotel Dresden	050/	5b-ld	40.670	340
(Fig. 19)	95%	Freehold	40,678	340
Italy				
Bare shell hotel formerly known as	4.0007	5	2.000	To be refurnished
Grand Hotel Puccini	100%	Freehold	2,980	into a hostel
Total			259,551	2,791





#### **B. Property Holding Key Highlights**

- 1. Arena Towers to provide steady recurring income at yields of more than 6%. Investment properties mainly comprise two hotels in Amsterdam (Arena Towers) and adjoining car parks that are leased to external tenants. Each lease contains annual rent indexed to consumer prices and an initial non-cancellable period of twenty-five years. Amidst COVID-19, tenant is still paying rents. In case of default, FSG holds 3 months of banker's guarantee.
- 2. Strong financial standing opens FSG to new opportunities. With cash of S\$474.9mn and a low net debt-equity ratio of 0.16x, balance sheet remained robust as at end-1H20. Additionally, undrawn committed long-term debt facilities of S\$520.1mn and potential equity infusions of S\$460mn from the exercise of outstanding warrants should equip FSG financially to take advantage of acquisition opportunities.

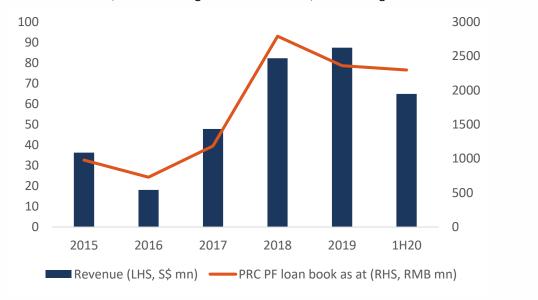
#### C. Property Financing (PF) Key Highlights

1. Superior return on investment (ROI) for its Chinese Property Financing (PF) business at low to mid-teens p.a coupled with a double-digit growth in loan book. Of all its business lines, property financing has the highest gross profit margin. The business gives FSG high recurring income underpinned by interest rates of low to mid-teens p.a. Its China loan book grew at a CAGR of 19% from 2015 to 2019, largely attributable to high demand for credit among the SMEs. Average tenure for its China loan book is 3 years.





From 2015-2019, PF loan book grew at a 19% CAGR; Loan book grew 12% YoY as at 1H20



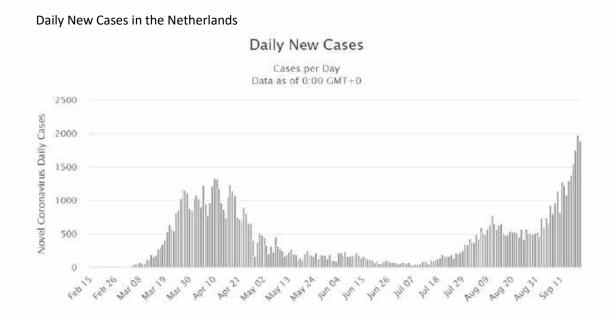
#### C. Property Financing (PF) Key Highlights

- 2. 8 years of operation, 0 bad debt losses incurred; conservative LTV ratio at low 40-60%. FSG started its property-financing business in 2012. To date, it has not incurred any bad-debt losses. Although there were two cases of default in 2015 and 2016, FSG has managed to recover both its principal and interest. A 30.4% annual return was registered for one of these defaulted loans. Average loan to value (LTV) ratio for its portfolio ranges from low 40% to 60%.
- 3. Growing the PF business segment through its maiden PD venture into Australia to redevelop City Tattersalls Club. FSG holds an equity stake of 39.9% in ICD SB Pitt Street Trust, which is renovating Sydney's City Tattersalls Club's premises and developing the airspace above into a hotel and residential apartments. Apart from development fees payable to the trust, FSG will also charge a single-digit interest rate p.a. on a A\$370mn (S\$368mn) construction loan financing facility to fund the project. Construction is expected to start in 2022.

#### **Key Risks**

1. Worst may not over for the hotel portfolio; stunted recovery is expected. FSG's hotels are located in the parts of Europe where hotels saw a greater recovery in August. (Netherlands portfolio ex-Amsterdam/Rotterdam and Germany). However, Netherlands has seen a resurgence of Covid-19 cases as new cases in September exceeded its peak in April. We are expecting a stunted recovery for the hotel portfolio till the end of 2020.

	YTD occ. (%)	August occ. (%)
<u>China</u>		
Chengdu Hotels	20	28
The Netherlands		
Utrecht Centraal Station Hotels	30	40
Hilton Rotterdam	32	32
Bilderberg Portfolio	28	64
Germany		
Bilderberg Bellevue Hotel Dresden	18	60
Average	26	45



#### **Key Risks**

- 2. Reassessment of development pipeline to slow growth plans. FSG obtained an irrevocable building permit to redevelop and increase the net lettable floor area of the Dreeftoren Amsterdam office property by approximately 74%. In light of the prevailing market conditions, FSG is re-assessing the feasibility of this new residential and office project. Additionally, FSG is reconsidering its plan to convert the bare shell hotel in Milan into a high-density youth hostel.
- 3. Short term deferrals for interest payments were provided for 40% of the China loan book. Amidst COVID-19, FSG has given consent to two China borrower groups (RMB580mn loan; RMB330mn loan) for the short-term deferral of interest payments.
  - The RMB580mn loan is secured on a Guangzhou city hotel with a 44% LTV. The borrower could defer 50% of the monthly interest payments for a few months from 2Q2020 on the condition that the borrower contributes additional equity to a bank account jointly controlled by the borrower and FSG.
  - The RMB330m loans are secured on a residential villa (RMB50m @ 46% LTV) and a 5-floor retail
    mall (RMB280m @ 55% LTV) in Shanghai. The related borrower group was given consent to defer
    interest payment for one month.

#### **Valuation**

We initiate coverage on FSG with a BUY rating and a RNAV-derived target price of S\$1.65.

- It implies a total return of 33.6% and a dividend yield of 1.75%.
- Our TP is based on a 30% discount to its fully diluted RNAVPS.
- Based on the current number of shares (801 mn), we derive a TP of S\$1.99.
- FSG trades at 0.6x FY20e P/B versus its historical 5-year average of 0.7x.

*		Valuation (\$mn)
A)	Hotel properties	851
в)	Investment Properties	789
C)	Development Properties	449
D)	Property Financing	310
E)	Other Investments	393
	Interests in associates and joint ventures	308
	East Sun Portfolio	34
	Other equity investments	11
	Other debt investments	40
Total		2793
-	Net Debt	204
FSG VAI	LUATION	2588
No of sl	nares (mn, fully diluted basis)	1,102
Discoun	t	30%
TP (S\$)		\$1.65



Presentation Highlights

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#### **Outlook**

- Active expansion of product portfolio continues to provide growth catalysts
  - Acquisition of hair growth product brand CG210® strengthen proprietary brands portfolio
  - New product launches from existing brand portfolios Ceradan® and Ocean Health®
- Ocean Health® enters Hong Kong market with partnership deal with lifestyle brand SUTL
  - Break into US\$722mn vitamins and dietary supplements market in Hong Kong
  - Provide Hyphens with established retail sales channel in a competitive market

How does it complement Hyphens Pharma's current business strategy?



17th September 2020 - Presentation Highlights

#### **Company Background**

- Listed on SGX-Catalist in May 2018
- Principal business: sales, marketing and distribution of pharmaceutical and healthcare-related products

Each has different business model

- Business segments:
  - Specialty Pharma
  - Proprietary Brands
  - Medical Hypermart and Digital
- Geographical footprint:

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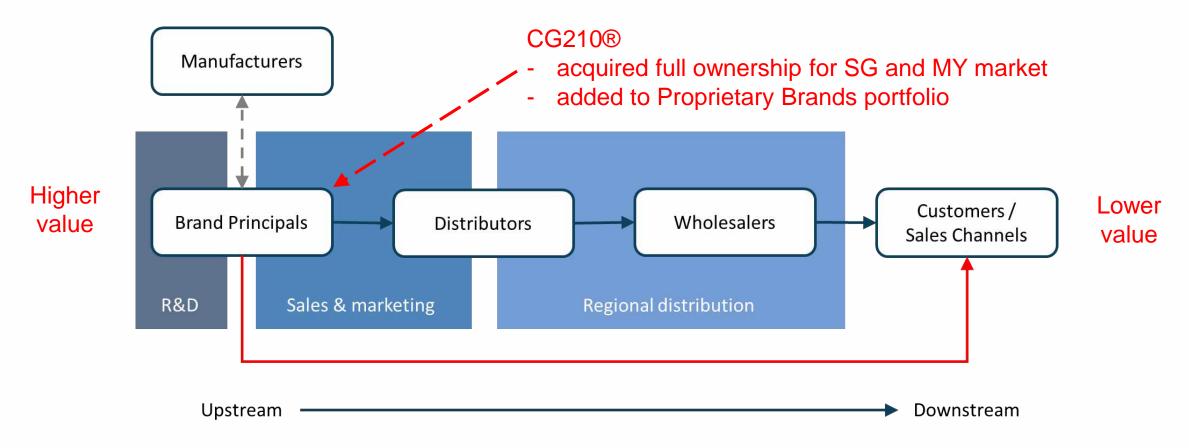
#### Indirect:

- Singapore
- Bangladesh
- Vietnam
- Brunei
- Malaysia
- Cambodia
- Indonesia
- Hong Kong
- Philippines
- Myanmar
- Oman



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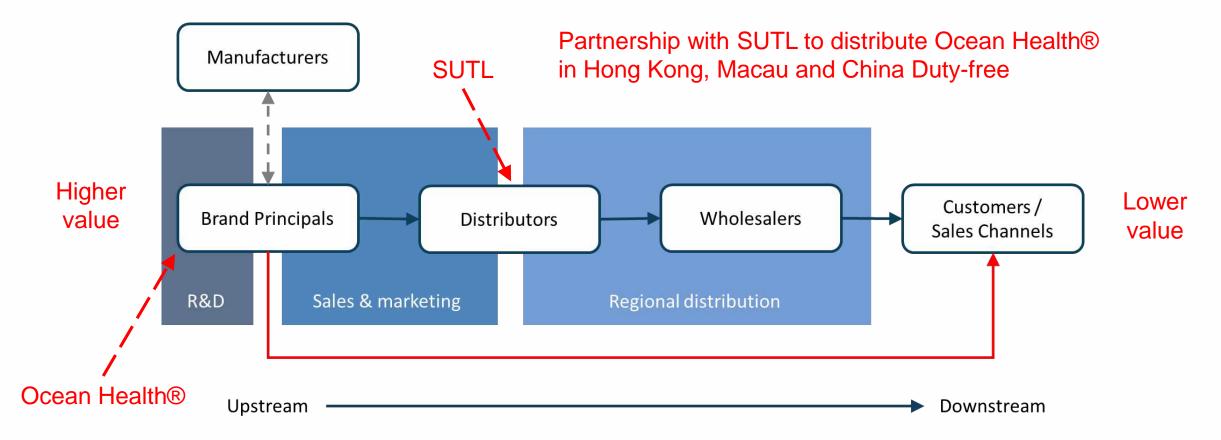
#### Industry value chain for pharmaceutical/medical goods





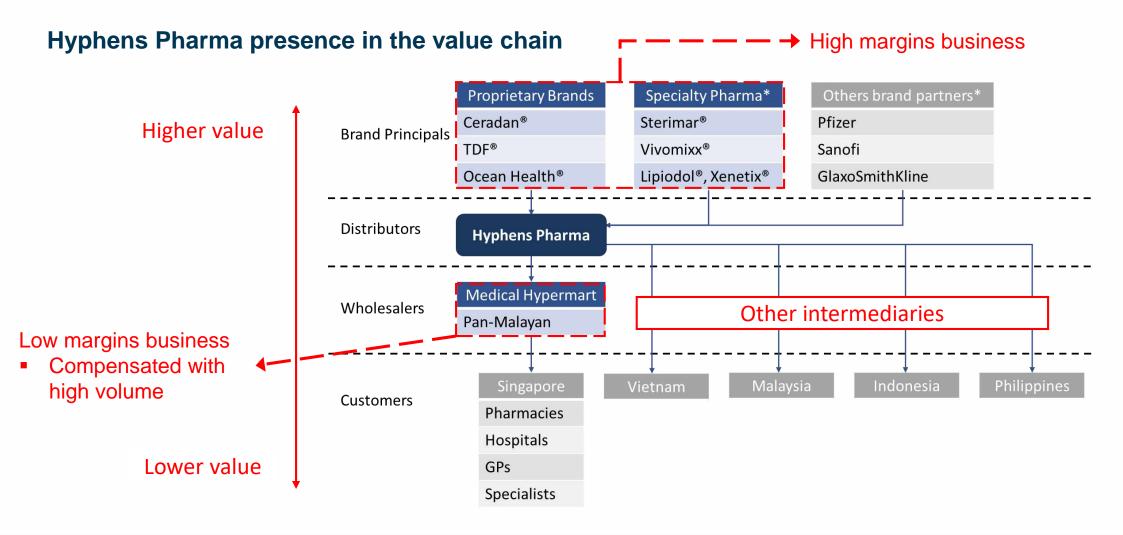
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ACCUMULATE (Initiation), TP: S\$0.435, Last: S\$0.420





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- Expanding presence across industry value chain
  - Product portfolio
  - Market penetration
- > Plenty of room to grow, organically and inorganically



# Sasseur REIT Presentation Highlights

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#### **Background**

- Listed on SGX on 28 March 2018
- 4 outlet malls in second-tier cities in PRC –
   Chongqing, Bishan, Hefei, Kunming
- 2 ROFR assets and 9 Pipeline assets
- Gearing: **28.1%**
- 2Q20 Occupancy: 93.6% (1Q20: 94.8%)
- WALE by GRI: 0.8 years 62.4% of leases by GRI expiring in 2020
- 1H20 Sales -38.6% YoY





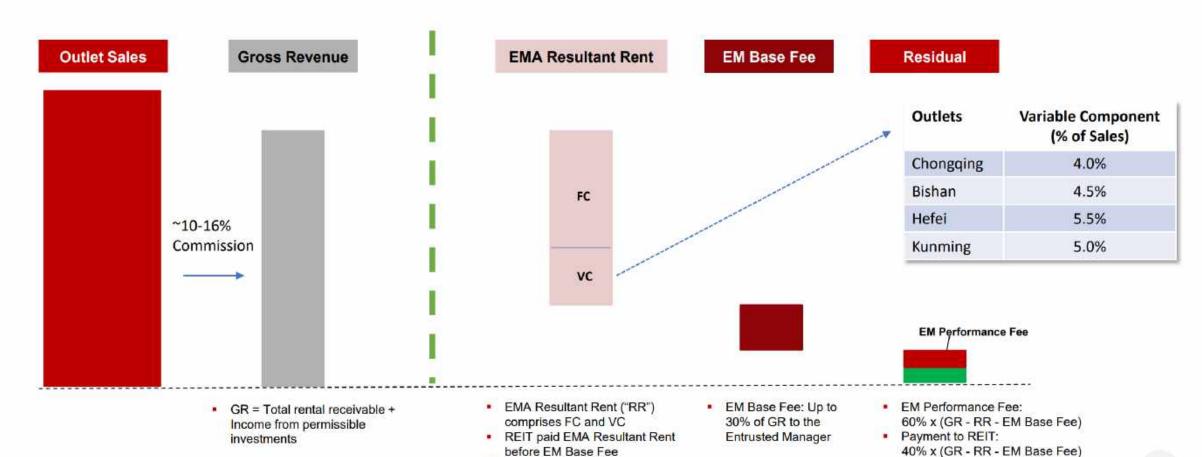
#### Tenant sales recovered strongly in 2Q20

Outlets	2Q 2020 Sales (RMB'mil)	2Q 2020 vs 1Q 2020 (%)	2Q 2020 vs 2Q 2019 (%)	1Q 2020 vs 1Q 2019 (%)	1H 2020 Sales (RMB'mil)	1H 2020 vs 1H 2019 (%)
Chongqing	396.0	+70.3	-17.5	-61.8	628.4	-42.3
Bishan	78.6	+51.5	-15.7	-58.4	130.5	-40.1
Hefei	217.7	+69.6	-20.3	-47.2	346.1	-32.9
Kunming	143.4	+17.7	-20.4	-46.8	265.2	-35.2
Portfolio	835.7	+56.3	-18.6	-55.7	1370.2	-38.6



#### **Business Model**

#### **REIT Income Model**



· VC is pegged to the Sales of

the Outlet



#### 1. WALE by GRI: 0.8 years

- Due to the demand-supply gap, Outlet Malls are in the "high-growth" retail segment
- Having a short WALE allows the Entrusted Manager (EM) to increase commission upon renewal
- Allows EM to replace poorer-performing tenants

#### 2. Double-destination positioning

- Vale for money tenants must provide 50% discount
- Experiential Shopping

#### 3. Why outlet is generally not impacted by e-commerce

- Different Product mix per transaction via online platform ~ RMB200 vs per transaction at the outlet malls ~ RMB800/1000 => minimal product overlap
- Lower commissions charged at outlet malls (10-16%) vs c.20% commission charged for online sales of outlet brands

Guaranteed Authenticity – merchants are subject to 10X penalty if customers report sale of fake goods



# **CMT & CCT Proposed Merger**

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## **Benefits of Proposed Merger**





**Leadership:** Best-in-class portfolio supported by a stronger and more efficient platform

**Resilience:** Enhanced resilience and stability through market cycles

**Growth:** Greater optionality for growth with broader focus and larger capacity for investment

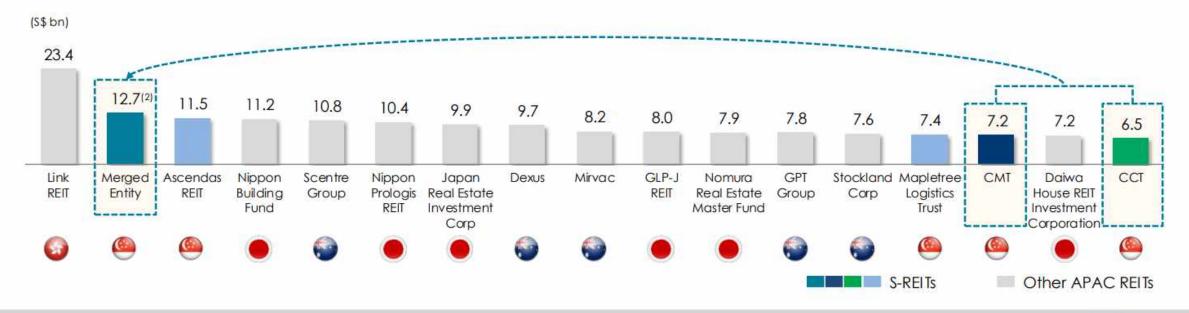
Accretion: DPU accretive to unitholders(1)



## 1. Leadership



- 1. Potential for higher trading liquidity, positive re-rating and more competitive cost of capital
- 2. Potential synergies
  - A. Cross-selling (broader leasing network for more effective tenant negotiations and sourcing for high-quality tenants)
  - B. Enhanced digital platform and data analytics
  - C. Cost optimisation (economies of scale through bulk procurement, supply chain optimisation and elimination of frictional costs)





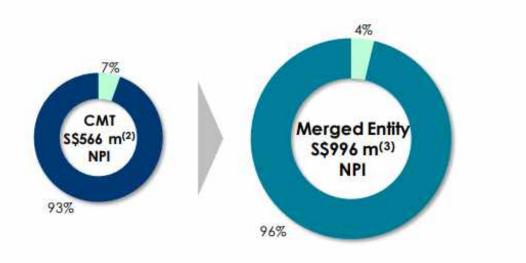
### 2. Resilience

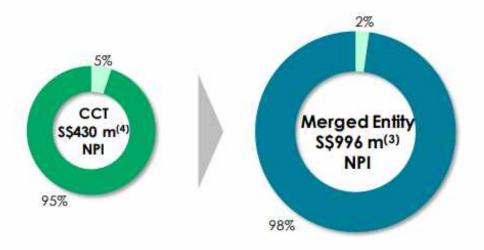


- I. Greater stability through market cycles
- Well diversified across trade sectors
- Reduced asset concentration risk
- 4. Increased flexibility to undertake portfolio rejuvenation an development

#### Illustrative NPI impact from redevelopment of \$\$1.0 bn asset(1)

#### Illustrative NPI impact from the upgrading of 21 Collyer Quay





Refers to NPI impact from upgrading or redevelopment

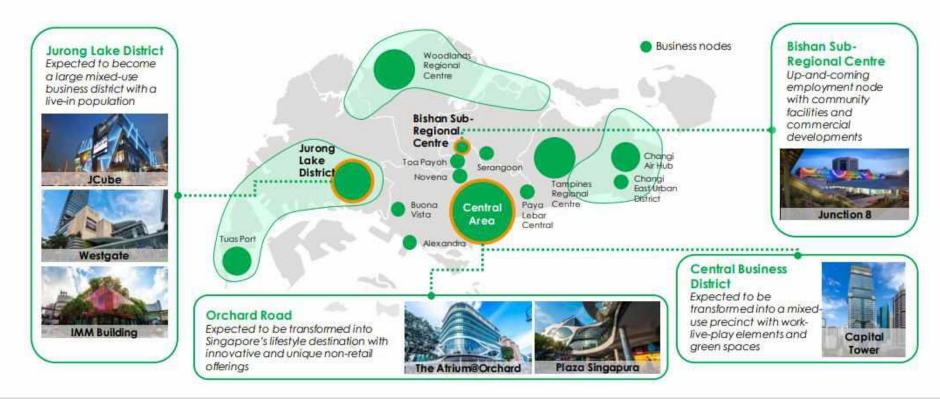


#### 3. Growth





- Ability to capitalise on overarching trend towards mixed-use precincts and integrated developments
- Combines domain expertise and track record on repositioning their portfolio (Funan and CapitaSpring)
- Assets strategically located in identified growth clusters across Singapore
- Higher headroom provides more flexibility

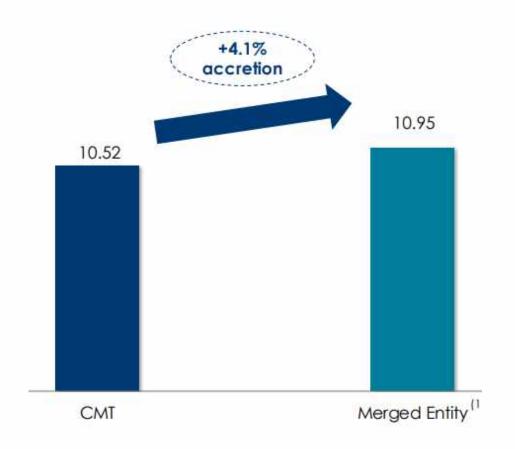


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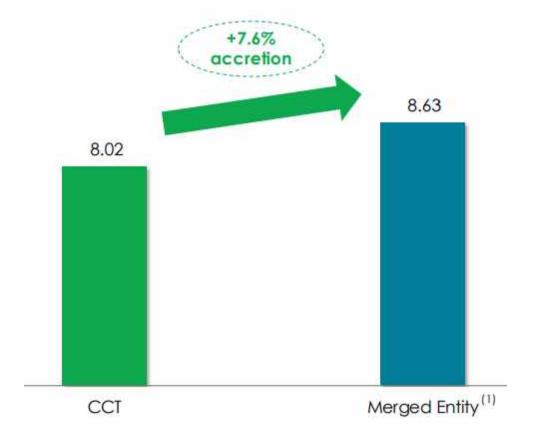


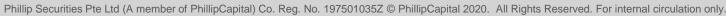


#### **CMT** Unitholder



#### **CCT Unitholder**





### **CMT & CCT Proposed Merger**



- Extension of long-stop date to 30 November 2020
- CMT Manager will waive the acquisition fee, resulting in \$111.2mn in savings

#### **CCT Unitholder**

1 CCT Share



0.72 CMT Shares



\$0.259 in cash

Based on CMT's closing price of \$1.90 on Friday:

$$1 \text{ CCT} = 0.72 \times \$1.90 + \$0.259$$

= **\$1.627** 

Closing price of CCT \$1.64

#### **CMT** Unitholder

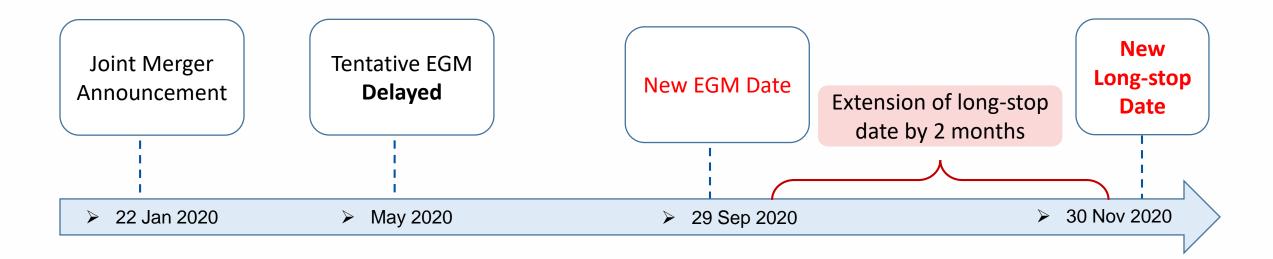
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### **CMT & CCT Proposed Merger**



### **Proposed Merger Timeline:**



\* EGM must happen before the long-stop date



# Week 39 – Phillip Model Bond Portfolio Review

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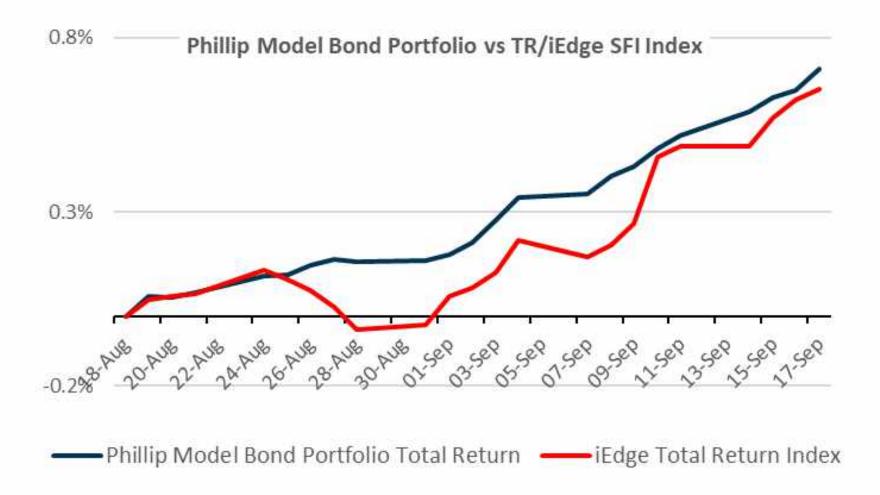
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Bon	nd	Maturity/Call Date	Ask Px	YTW%	YTC%	Issue Size (S\$mn)	Features*
1.	TMGSP 4.8%	18-Jul-22	102.500	3.369	-	225	1. Cessation Put
2.	ARASP 4.15%	23-Apr-24	100.800	3.907	-	100	1. Change of Control Put
3.	ESRCAY 5.1%	26-Feb-25	100.750	4.908	-	225	
4.	OLAMSP 4%	24-Feb-26	100.250	3.947	-	400	
5.	FPLSP 4.25%	21-Apr-26	103.400	3.572	-	280	1. Make Whole Call
6.	ARASP 5.2% Perp	19-Jul-22	98.350	5.677	6.151	300	<ol> <li>Change of Control Call</li> <li>Cumulative Deferral</li> <li>Dividend Stopper</li> <li>Dividend Pusher (12M)</li> </ol>
7.	MLTSP 3.65% Perp	28-Mar-23	100.950	2.347	3.247	180	<ol> <li>Non-cumulative Deferral</li> <li>Dividend Stopper</li> </ol>
8.	SPHRSP 4.1% Perp	30-Aug-24	100.350	4.002	4.002	300	<ol> <li>Non-cumulative Deferral</li> <li>Dividend Stopper</li> </ol>
9.	UBS 4.85% Perp	04-Sep-24	101.250	3.943	4.505	750	<ol> <li>Loss Absorption</li> <li>Non-cumulative Deferral</li> <li>Dividend Stopper</li> </ol>
10.	AAREIT 5.65% Perp	14-Aug-25	99.850	5.676	5.678	125	<ol> <li>Optional Payment</li> <li>Non-cumulative Deferral</li> <li>Dividend Stopper</li> </ol>
Total Portfolio Yield: 4.134% 4.328%							

**Outperformed benchmark index.** 

Total MoM return was 0.71% compared to 0.65% for the TR/iEdge SFI Index.

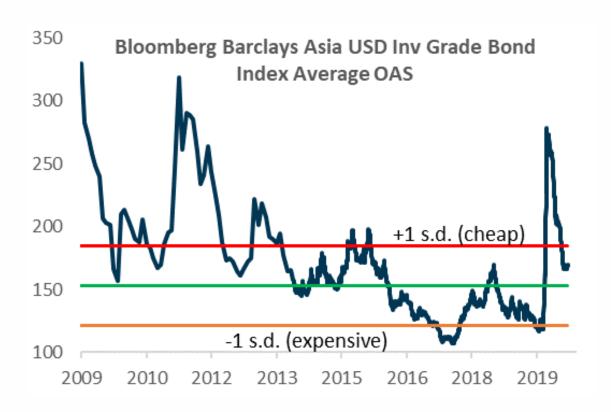
Shorter tenor bonds to offset risk of potential bear steepening. As inflation expectations rise, long term interest rates could rise while short term rates remain low due to the Fed. We favour short tenor bonds to reduce the risk of long tenor underperformance

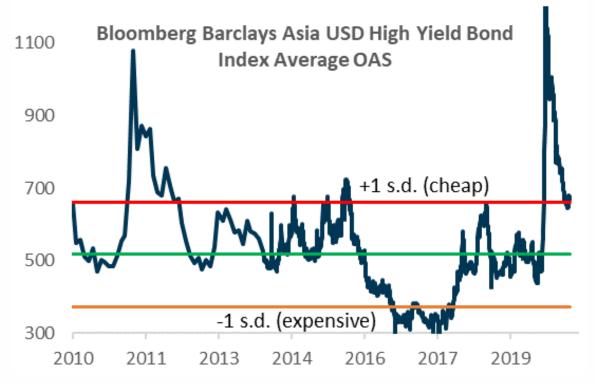
**Strong backers.** Most issuers have established stakeholders (e.g. Temasek, Warburg Pincus, TCC Group) that can provide ease of funding should the need arise.

We maintain the holdings.



#### Asia bond valuations still historically cheap

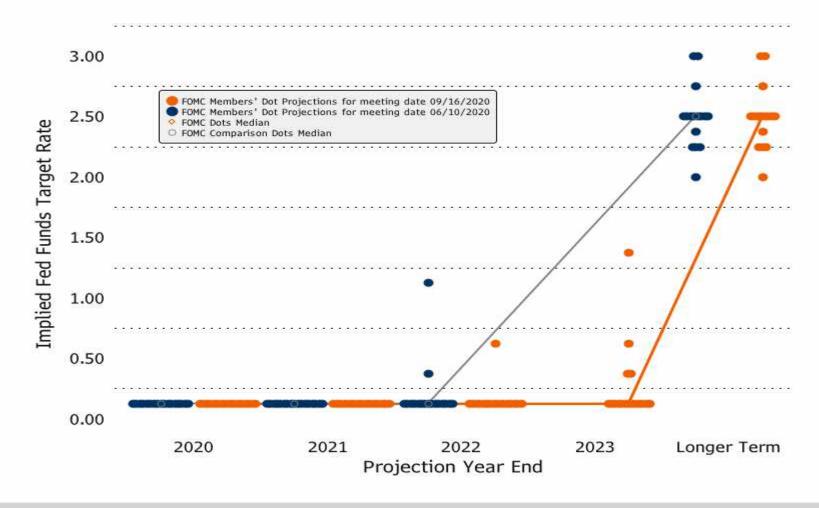






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Source: Bloomberg, PSR

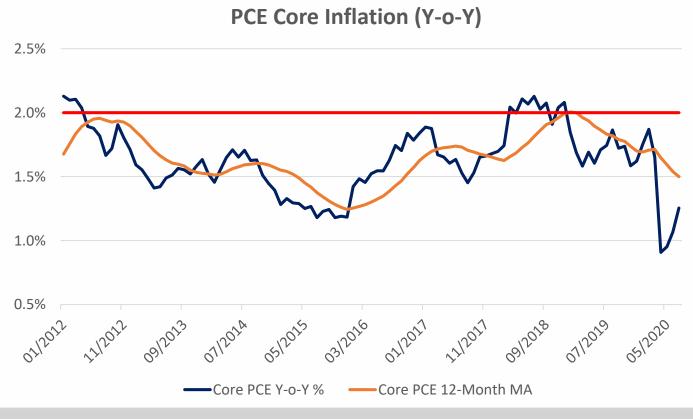


- **Real GDP Growth:** Upward revision from <u>-10.0% to -4.2%</u> to <u>-5.5% to 1.0%</u> for 2020
- Unemployment Rate: Downward revision from 9% to 10% to 7% to 8% for Q4 2020
- Indicates economic recovery may progress faster than expected, but "path ahead remains highly uncertain"





- Inflation: No specific period given in terms of how long inflation will hold above 2% before any rate increase will be considered
- **Economic projections:** End 2023 where unemployment rate reaches pre-COVID level of 3.5% and inflation picking up towards 2% => Rates will remain low until 2023 but may start to pick up in 2024 if the projections hold true





#### Additional remarks

- "path ahead remains highly uncertain": Questions whether strong pace of economic recovery can be sustained
- Monetary policies: Fed is "certainly not out of ammo" and that they have plenty of tools to support the
  economy
- But signaled that more fiscal support is likely to be needed
  - Stalemate despite incremental progress: \$1.5 tn vs \$2.2 tn, "skinny" bill blocked

## Week 39 - Phillip Singapore Weekly

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### Week 39 – Tactical Views

#### Macro Last Week

- > SG:
- Exports: Aug20 +7.7% YoY (Jul: +5.9%); Electronics + 5.7% (Jul: +2.8%), generally resilient
- Employment: 1H20 jobs losses 138k, 45% from retail/F&B/accommodation + 14% from construction;
- SIA: Aug20 30k passengers carried (Jul20: 28k, Aug19: 1.91mn); subdued mom improvement
- Taxi: Still challenging but fleet increased modestly in Aug20
- China: Loans growth Aug20 +13.3% YoY (Jul20: +13.3%); residential space sold Aug20 +15% YoY (Jul20: +10%)
- ➤ **US:** Retail sales ex-MV Aug20 +2% YoY (Jul20: +1.5%), healthy but below expectations
- ➤ **US Fed**: Checklist to raise rates Maximum unemployment 4% AND Inflation moderately above 2% for some time
- Corporate: Phillip on the Ground Straits Trading

#### **Tactical**

- > Cautious: Fiscal cliff + COVID-19 resurgence + election uncertainty or even contested
- ➤ US Stimulus bill: still an impasse between Republicans (<\$1.5r) and Democrats (\$2.2tr); timeline is tight because House breaks on 2 Oct / Senate 9Oct but can be extended;

#### Week(s) Ahead

- > 22Sep: US home sales; Powell-Mnuchin Testimony; 23Sep: SG CPI, US Flash PMI; 25Sep: SG Industrial production
- Poems Webinars: ComfortDelGro (22Sep 2pm); AIMS APAC REIT (24Sep 1pm); First Ship Lease Trust (29Sep 1pm); IREIT (20ct 12pm); 3 Oct: 4Q20 PSR SG Strategy (9.30am-12pm); Heeton (6Oct 1pm) https://www.poems.com.sg/education/events-seminars/



## Phillip on the Ground

#### Straits Trading: POEMS Webinar 15Sep20

- Background: Real estate investment holding co with office, mall and logistic assets in Australia, Korea and Japan. Also 54.8% owner of 3<sup>rd</sup> largest tin producer in the world – listed Malaysia Smelting Corp.
- 1H20 earnings was weak due to losses in tin operations and hospitality and absence of FV gains
- Any listing of ARA will be a major catalyst

	S\$mn	% of assets	Stake	Comment
Real Estate	2,040.8	74%		
- Straits Real Estate	1,207.6	44%	89.5%	
a) Direct Investments	668.4	24%		China mall, Australia office, etc
b) Funds and JV	442.2	16%		PE fund , Korea JV, etc
- ARA Asset	395.2	14%	22.1%	
- STC Property	291.9	11%		Bungalowa and Butterworth Land
- Suntec	113.1	4%	10.0%	
- others	33	1%		
Tin - MSC	302.3	11%	54.8%	Malaysia Smelting Corp.
Hospitality	164.9	6%	30.0%	Far East Hospitality Trust Pte Ltd
Others	237.7	9%		
<b>Total Assets</b>	2745.7			
Less: Liabilities	-1138.7			
MI	-160			
Total Equity	1447.0	_		
No of shares	406.9	_		
NAV per share	3.56			
Current share price	1.52			
Discount to NAV	<b>57</b> %			
Dividend yield	3.9%			
Add: ARA market value	226			Assume book value of S\$390mn
Revised NAV per share	4.11			Implied value of S\$2.7bn
Discount to NAV	63%			

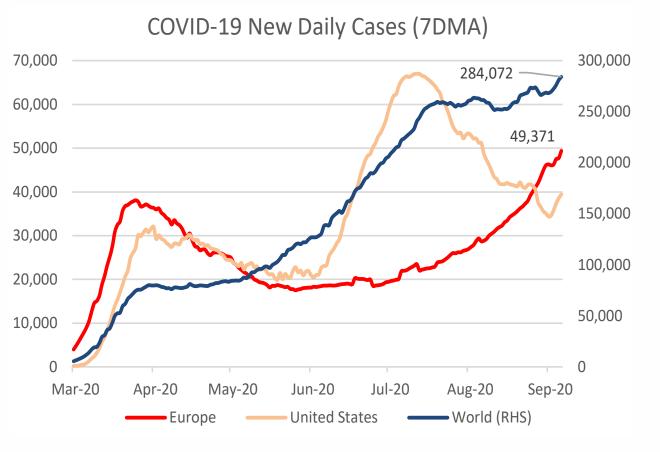
<sup>\*</sup>In May20, Straits raised stake in ARA from 20.95% to 22.06% for \$30mn. Implied value of ARA is S\$2.7bn. Book value of ARA as associate as at 31Dec is S\$370mn

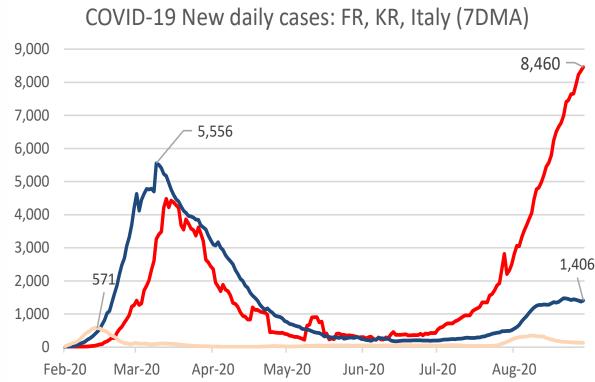


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## **COVID-19 Watch: New high Globally and Europe**





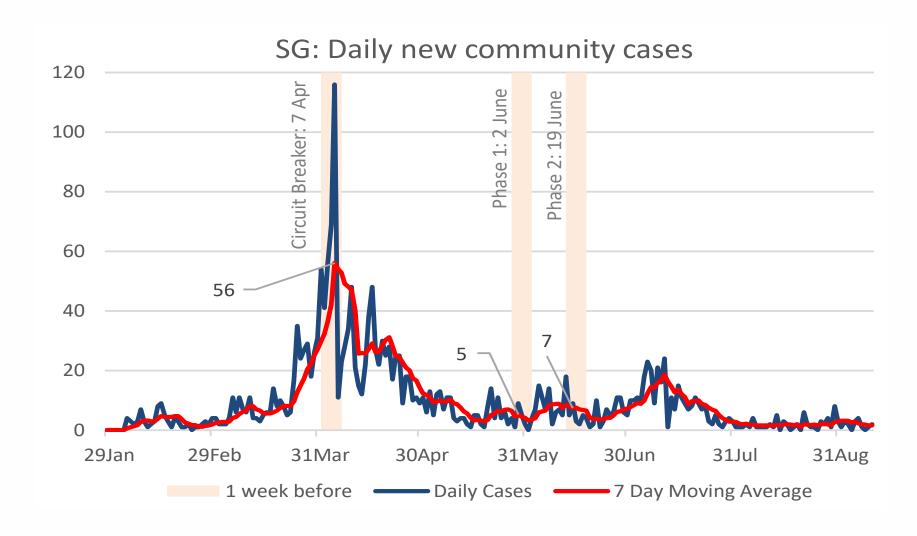
France ——Italy

Source: CEIC, WHO, PSR

S Korea



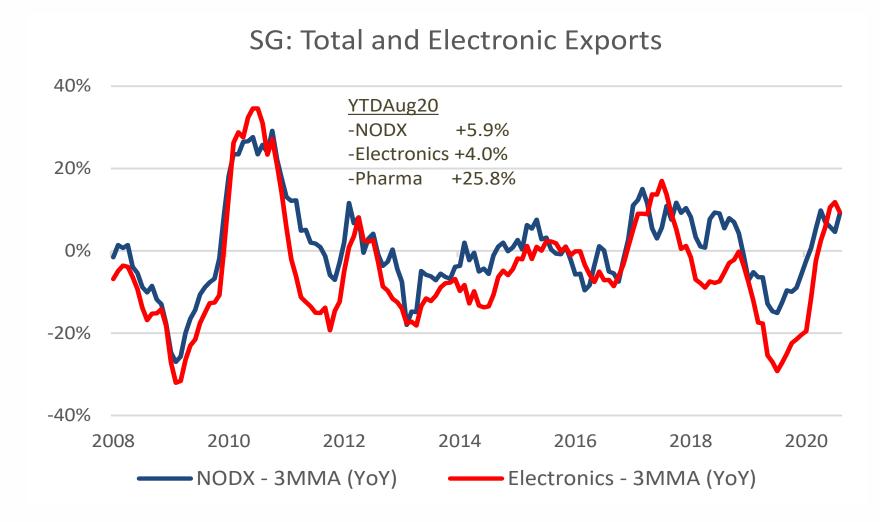
## **COVID-19 Watch: Community cases at 1, daily lowest Mar**



Source: PSR, MOH



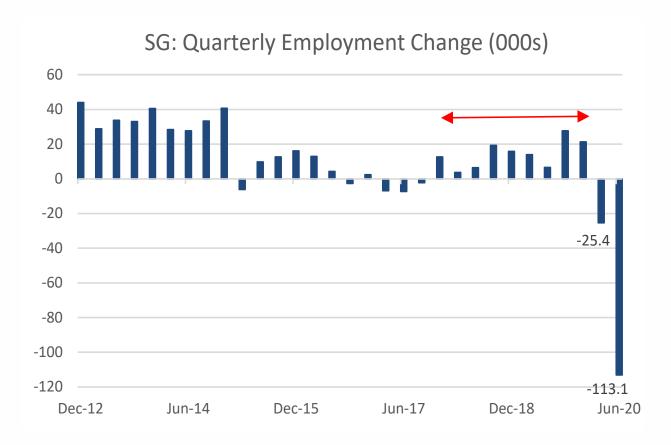
## SG: Exports holding well, up in 2020



Source: CEIC, PSR, MOH



## SG: We lost > 2 years of job gains



45% of jobs losses from retail / F&B / wholesale/accomodation

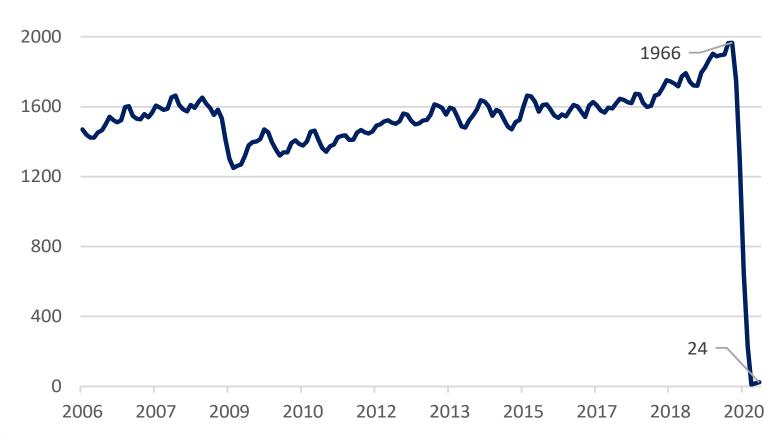
HOUAUOH	k Employees	% decline	Jun20
1H20 Job Losses	-138.5	-3.7%	3645.9
Services	-106.5	-3.8%	2709.6
- F&B Services	-31.2	-13.5%	199.3
- Retail trade	-13.3	-8.1%	150.8
- Wholesale trade	-11.2	-3.5%	310.8
- Other community	-14.7	-3.9%	358.8
- Art, Entertainment	-9.8	-17.2%	47.2
- Accomodation	-7.1	-19.6%	29.2
- Real estate	-4.2	-5.1%	78.4
- Cleaning & Landscap,	-4.2	-5.2%	77.3
- Air transport	-3.5	-9.8%	32.1
- Others	-9.3	-0.8%	1087
- Finance	1.3	0.8%	161.7
- Insurance	0.6	1.5%	41.4
- Legal, Accounts&Mgmt	0.1	0.1%	135.3
Manufacturing	-12.1	-2.5%	472.8
Construction	-19.5	-4.3%	437.3

Source: PSR, CEIC, MOM



## SIA: Passengers carried still moribund

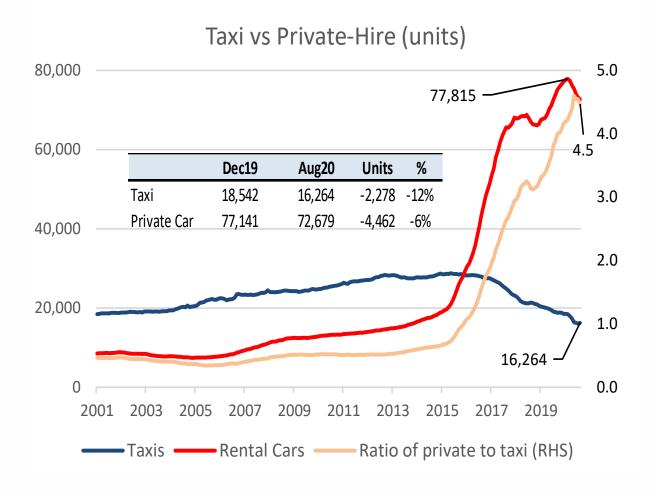




Source: PSR, CEIC, SIA



## Taxi: Modest 178 increase in fleet, rental waiver lower



#### Highest taxi rental relief for Comfort in 2Q20

Relief Period	Daily rental waiver from Comfort	S\$mn
1Q20e	\$10/day (54d) + S\$16.50 (46d) + S\$10/day (7d)	13.7
2Q20e	\$10/day (6d) + \$103/day (56d) + \$41.5/day (29d)	70.3
3Q20e	\$41.5/day (15d) + \$31/day (31d) + \$21/day (31d) + \$\$16/day (15d)	28.0
4Q20e	\$16/day (31d) + \$10/day (61d)	11.8
		123.8

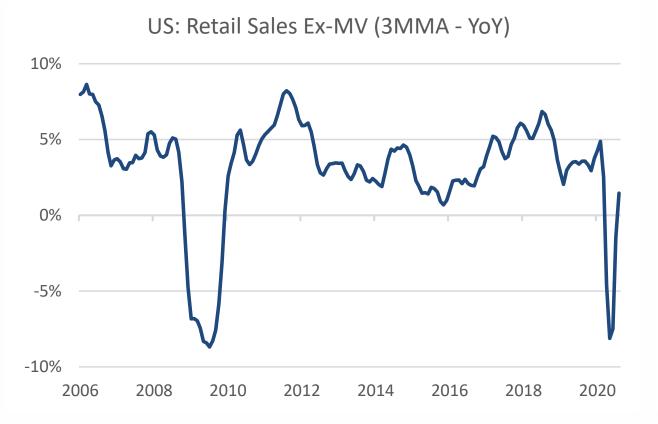
Source: PSR, Comfort, \*Assume 10k taxi fleet for Comfort and \$113./day average rental

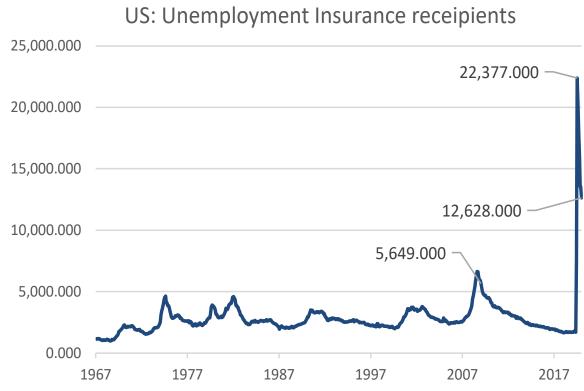
- ✓ Still a challenging sector, but recovering
- √ 60% market share
- ✓ Modestly improving competitive dynamics
- ✓ Exposure to relaxation of lock-downs

Source: PSR, CEIC, LTA



## US: Still spending despite record unemploment





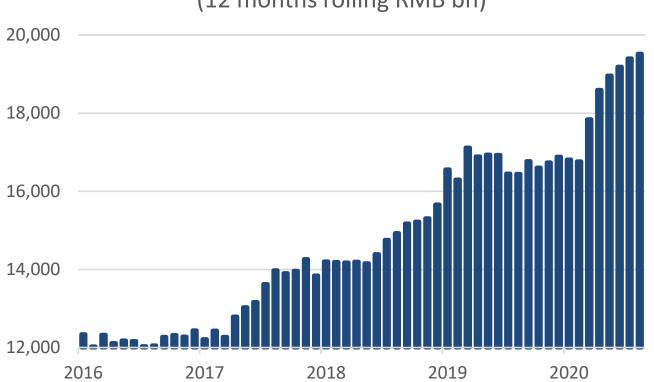
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## **CH: Leveraging and growing**

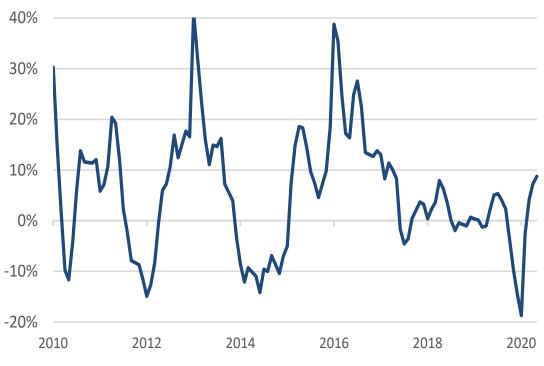
#### Loans growth of 13.3% and record loans

CH: Net disbursement in loans (12 months rolling RMB bn)



#### Robust residential home sales, fastest in 3 years

CH: Residential Space Sold (3MMA - YoY)



Source: PSR, CEIC, SIA



## **Corporate Action Calendar**

Exhange	Date	Event	Company	Ticker
Singapore	21-Sep	Delisting	Swee Hong	
	21-Sep	Listing	CSOP FTSE Chinese govt bond index	
	24-Sep	Acquisition	Advancer Global	
	25-Sep	Delisting	Elec & Eltek	
	28-Sep	Delisting	Yorkshine Holdings	
	30-Sep	Divestment	Accordia Golf Trust	
	30-Sep	Divestment	Boustead Holdings	
	30-Sep	Delisting	Asia Fashion Holdings	
<b>Hong Kong</b>	21-Sep	Listing	Allied Group Ltd	2940 HK
	21-Sep	Listing	Affluent Partners Holdings Ltd	2943 HK
	21-Sep	Listing	Cash Financial Services Group Ltd	2941 HK
	21-Sep	Listing	Celestial Asia Securities Holdings Ltd	2942 HK
	22-Sep	Listing	Huazhu Group Ltd	1179 HK
	22-Sep	Listing	Summit Ascent Holdings Ltd	2948 HK
	23-Sep	Listing	Joy Spreader Interactive Technology Ltd	6988 HK
United State	21-Sep	Listing	Summit Therapeutics Inc	SMMT
	21-Sep	Listing	PDL BioPharma Inc	PDLIV
	21-Sep	Listing	LENSAR Inc	LNSRV
	21-Sep	Listing	CC Neuberger Principal Holdings II	PRPB
	21-Sep	Listing	Forum Merger III Corp	FIII
	22-Sep	Listing	PMV Consumer Acquisition Corp	PMVC/U
	23-Sep	Listing	PTK Acquisition Corp	PTK
	23-Sep	Listing	Laird Superfood Inc	LSF
	24-Sep	Listing	Fortive Corp	FTV-W
	24-Sep	Listing	Vontier Corp	VNT-W
	24-Sep	Listing	Yucaipa Acquisition Corp	YAC
	25-Sep	Listing	GO Acquisition Corp	GOAC

Source: PSR, Bloomberg









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