

**Press Release**

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**Suntec REIT Receives Platinum Award – Retail & Office REIT at the  
Inaugural Asia Pacific Best of the Breeds REITs Awards 2017**

*Singapore, 4 August 2017* – ARA Trust Management (Suntec) Limited, the manager of Suntec Real Estate Investment Trust (“Suntec REIT”, and the “Manager”), is pleased to announce that Suntec REIT was awarded the Platinum Award – Retail & Office REIT at the inaugural Asia Pacific Best of the Breeds REITs Awards 2017 which was held in conjunction with the 4th REITs Asia Pacific 2017 Conference.

The Asia Pacific Best of the Breeds REITs Awards recognize companies and managers with the highest standards and performance in the Asia Pacific REITs sector. The winners were evaluated based on the judging criteria of financial performance, market performance, corporate governance, quality of underlying assets, quality of REIT manager, adequacy of risk management policies and methodology as well as long term sustainability of performance.

Mr. Chan Kong Leong, Chief Executive Officer of the Manager, said, “We are pleased to have been conferred the Platinum Award – Retail & Office REIT. This is an affirmation of Suntec REIT’s track record of creating value for our unitholders. I would like to thank the organizer and selection committee for honoring us with the award.”

“As we continue to build on our strong foundations, we remain committed and focused on our mission of delivering stable sustainable return to our unitholders.”

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## **ABOUT SUNTEC REIT**

Listed on 9 December 2004, Suntec REIT holds properties in Suntec City, Singapore's largest integrated commercial development (including one of Singapore's largest shopping mall), a 60.8% interest in Suntec Singapore Convention & Exhibition Centre, a one-third interest in One Raffles Quay, a one-third interest in Marina Bay Financial Centre Towers 1 and 2 and the Marina Bay Link Mall, and a 30.0% interest in 9 Penang Road. Suntec REIT holds a 100% interest in a commercial building located at 177 Pacific Highway, Sydney and a 25.0% interest in Southgate Complex, Melbourne, Australia. Its aim is to invest in income-producing real estate which is primarily used for retail and/or office purposes. Suntec REIT is managed by an external manager, ARA Trust Management (Suntec) Limited. For more details, please visit [www.suntecreit.com](http://www.suntecreit.com).

## **ABOUT ARA TRUST MANAGEMENT (SUNTEC) LIMITED**

Suntec REIT is managed by ARA Trust Management (Suntec) Limited, a wholly-owned subsidiary of ARA Asset Management Limited ("ARA").

Established in 2002, ARA is a premier integrated real estate fund manager driven by a vision to be the best-in-class real estate fund management company focused on the management of real estate investment trusts ("REITs") and private real estate funds.

ARA's business is focused on the following segments:

- (a) **REITs** – ARA is one of the largest REIT managers in Asia ex-Japan and currently manages six REITs listed in three countries, namely Fortune REIT dual-listed in Singapore and Hong Kong, Suntec REIT and Cache Logistics Trust listed in Singapore, Hui Xian REIT and Prosperity REIT listed in Hong Kong and AmFIRST REIT listed in Malaysia. The Group also manages six privately-held REITs in South Korea;
- (b) **Private real estate funds** – The Group manages 10 private funds investing in real estate in Asia; and
- (c) **Real estate management services** – The Group provides property management services and convention & exhibition services, including managing the award-winning Suntec Singapore Convention & Exhibition Centre

ARA's diverse suite of REITs and private real estate funds are invested in the office, retail, logistics/industrial, hospitality and residential sectors. ARA has distinguished itself over the years with its unique investor-operator philosophy, which nurtures each asset from acquisition to divestment to add value to every stage of the asset life cycle. Built on a foundation of strong corporate governance and business integrity, it counts some of the world's largest pension funds, financial institutions, endowments and family offices as its investors.

ARA has approximately 1,300 staff in 19 cities in seven countries. It manages close to 100 properties measuring 55 million square feet in Asia Pacific, with approximately S\$36 billion in assets under management.

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**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

This announcement is for information only and does not constitute an invitation or offer to acquire, purchase or subscribe for units in Suntec REIT.

The value of Units and the income derived from them, if any, may fall or rise. Units are not obligations of, deposits in, or guaranteed by, ARA Trust Management (Suntec) Limited (as the manager of Suntec REIT) (the “Manager”) or any of its affiliates.

An investment in Units is subject to investment risks, including the possible loss of the principal amount invested. Investors should note that they will have no right to request the Manager to redeem or purchase their Units for so long as the Units are listed on the SGX-ST. It is intended that holders of Units may only deal in their Units through trading on the SGX-ST. The listing of the Units on the SGX-ST does not guarantee a liquid market for the Units.

The past performance of Suntec REIT is not necessarily indicative of the future performance of Suntec REIT.

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