

(Constituted in the Republic of Singapore pursuant to a trust deed dated 9 October 2002 (as amended))

## **ANNOUNCEMENT**

## PAYMENT OF BASE MANAGEMENT FEE BY WAY OF ISSUE OF UNITS IN ASCENDAS REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUST

The Board of Directors of Ascendas Funds Management (S) Limited ("Ascendas-FMS") wishes to announce that 1,160,431 units ("Units") in Ascendas Real Estate Investment Trust ("A-REIT") have been issued to Ascendas-FMS, in its capacity as Manager of A-REIT. The Units allotted today at an issue price of S\$2.11 per Unit were for the payment of 20% of the base management fee ("Base Management Fee") for the period from 01 June 2010 to 30 November 2010.

The Base Management Fee is calculated in accordance to the Trust Deed constituting A-REIT (the "Trust Deed") by taking 0.5% per annum of the value of the total assets of A-REIT. The issue price was determined based on the volume weighted average traded price for all trades done on Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited ("SGX-ST") in the ordinary course of trading on the SGX-ST for 10 business days (i.e. from 1 December 2010 to 14 December 2010) immediately preceding the date of issue of Units to Ascendas-FMS. In accordance with the Trust Deed, the Manager may elect from time to time to receive its Base Management Fee wholly in Units or wholly in cash or in any combination of both. The Manager has elected to receive 20% of the Base Management Fee in Units and 80% in cash. This arrangement aligns the interest of the Manager with the interests of the Unitholders of A-REIT.

Following the above issue of Units, the total Units on issue is 1,874,292,935 of which Ascendas-FMS's holding is 31,229,901 Units or approximately 1.67%.

By Order of the Board

Ascendas Funds Management (S) Limited (Company Registration No. 200201987K) as Manager of Ascendas Real Estate Investment Trust

Ms Mary Judith de Souza Company Secretary 15 December 2010

## About A-REIT (www.a-reit.com)

A-REIT is Singapore's first listed business space and industrial real estate investment trust. It has a diversified portfolio of 92 properties in Singapore, comprising business and science park properties, hi-tech industrial properties, light industrial properties, and logistics and distribution centres, with total assets of about S\$4.9 billion. These properties house a tenant base of about 930 international and local companies from a wide range of industries and activities, including research and development, life sciences, information technology, engineering, light manufacturing, logistics service providers, electronics, telecommunications, manufacturing services and back-room office support in service industries. Major tenants include SingTel, C&P Logistics, Siemens, Honeywell, Zuellig Pharma, LFD (Singapore), OSIM International, Venture Corporation, Federal Express, Freight Links Express, Johnson & Johnson, RSH, Infineon Technologies, Procter & Gamble and Hyflux.

A-REIT is listed in several indices. These include the Morgan Stanley Capital International, Inc (MSCI) Index, the European Public Real Estate Association/National Association of Real Estate Investment Trusts (EPRA/NAREIT) Global Real Estate Index and Global Property Research (GPR) Asia 250 and FTSE ST Mid Cap. A-REIT has a corporate family rating of "A3" by Moody's Investor Services.

A-REIT is managed by Ascendas Funds Management (S) Limited (in its capacity as manager of A-REIT), a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Singapore-based Ascendas Group.

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## **Important Notice**

The value of Units and the income derived from them may fall as well as rise.

Units are not obligations of, deposits in, or guaranteed by, 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 have no right to request the Manager to redeem their Units while the Units are listed. It is intended that unitholders of A-REIT may only deal in their Units through trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange ("SGX-ST").

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

Listing of the Units on the SGX-ST does not guarantee a liquid market for the Units. The past performance of A-REIT is not necessarily indicative of the future performance of A-REIT.