



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

**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 1,393,522 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\$2.3812 per Unit were for the payment of 20% of the base management fee ("**Base Management Fee**") for the period from 1 June 2012 to 30 November 2012.

The Base Management Fee is calculated in accordance with 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 at the end of each month. In accordance with the Trust Deed, the Manager may elect from time to time to receive the 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 for all properties so as to align the interest of the Manager with the interests of the Unitholders of A-REIT.

The issue price was determined in accordance with the Trust Deed and is 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 3 December 2012 to 14 December 2012) immediately preceding the date of issue of Units to Ascendas-FMS.

Following the above issue of Units, the total A-REIT units on issue is 2,238,946,090 of which Ascendas-FMS' holding is 39,697,056 units or approximately 1.77%.

By Order of the Board

Ascendas Funds Management (S) Limited
(Company Registration No. 200201987K)

Mary Judith de Souza
Company Secretary
17 December 2012

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

A-REIT is Singapore's first listed business space and industrial real estate investment trust. It currently has a diversified portfolio of 101 properties in Singapore, comprising business and science park properties, hi-tech industrial properties, light industrial properties, and logistics and distribution centres, and 1 business park property in China. As at 30 September 2012, total assets amount to about S\$6.6 billion. These properties house a tenant base of about 1,200 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, Citibank N.A., OSIM International, DBS Bank, Federal Express, Baidu, Inc., 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 A-REIT's Units ("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.