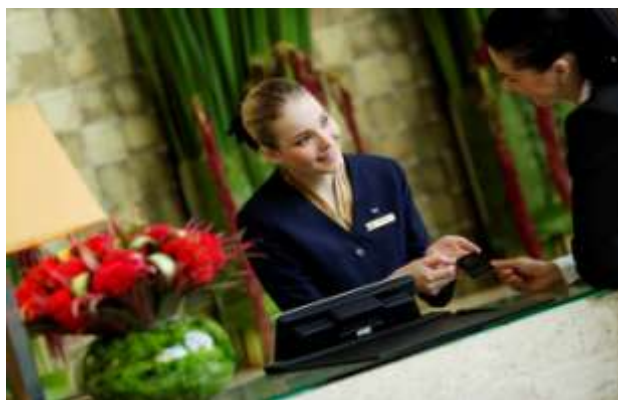





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A Leading Global Serviced Residence REIT

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Overview of Ascott REIT

A Leading Global Serviced Residence REIT

S\$2.0b¹ Market Capitalisation	S\$4.6b² Total Assets	11,778 Apartment Units	96 Properties	40 Cities in 14 Countries
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Overview of Ascott REIT

Key features of Ascott REIT

Investment Mandate	Invests primarily in real estate and real estate-related assets which are income-producing and which are used, or predominantly used, as serviced residences, rental housing properties and other hospitality assets
Minimum Distribution Payout Ratio	Required to distribute at least 90% of its taxable income to Unitholders to qualify for the Inland Revenue Authority of Singapore tax transparency treatment for REITs - Since its listing, Ascott REIT has distributed 100% of Unitholders' distribution
Sponsor-aligned Interest	CapitaLand Limited is a substantial Unitholder of Ascott REIT (c.46% interest in Ascott REIT)
Corporate Governance	- Externally managed by Ascott Residence Trust Management Limited¹ Majority Independent Non-Executive Directors on the Board

Note:

1. Wholly-owned subsidiary of The Ascott Limited, which in turn is wholly-owned by CapitaLand Limited.

Overview of Ascott REIT

Strong Sponsor, The Ascott Limited (a wholly-owned subsidiary of CapitaLand)



World's largest international serviced residence owner-operator with over 41,000 units in more than 250 properties

Over 30 year track record having pioneered Pan-Asia's first international-class serviced residence property in 1984

Award-winning brands with worldwide recognition

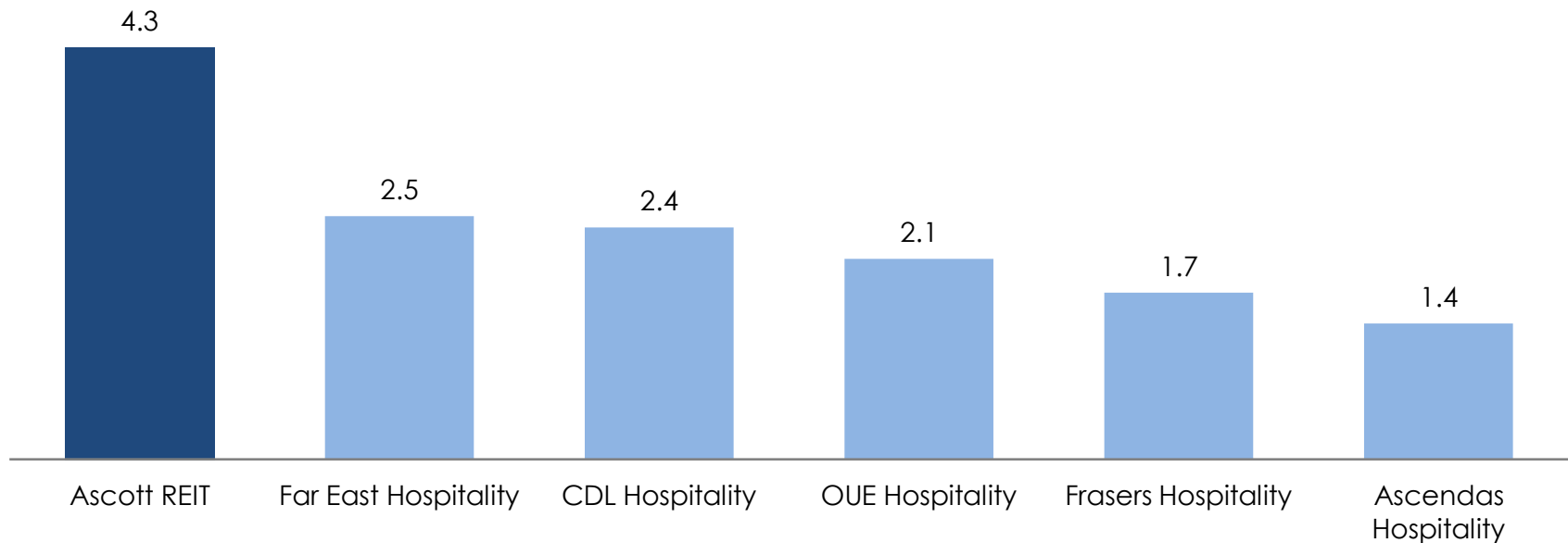


Sponsor – c.46% CapitaLand ownership in Ascott REIT

Overview of Ascott REIT

Largest hospitality REIT listed on the SGX-ST by total asset value

Total Assets¹ (\$\$ b)



Note:

1. Based on latest available company filings as at 30 June 2015

Portfolio Information

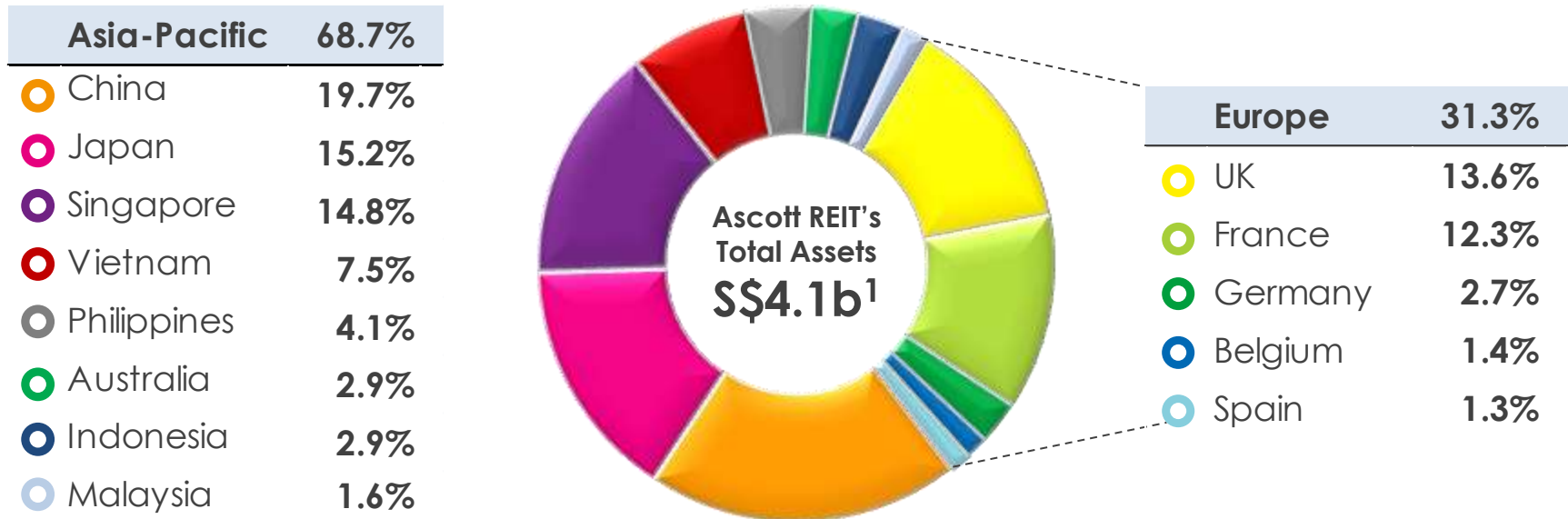


Citadines Suites Louvre Paris

Geographical Diversification

Ascott REIT's Total Assets

As at 30 June 2015



Portfolio diversified across property and economic cycles

Note:

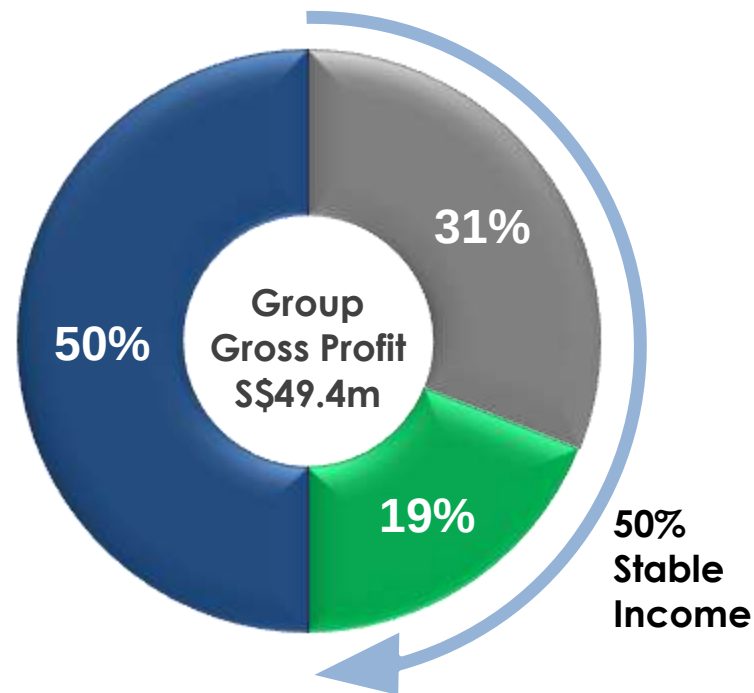
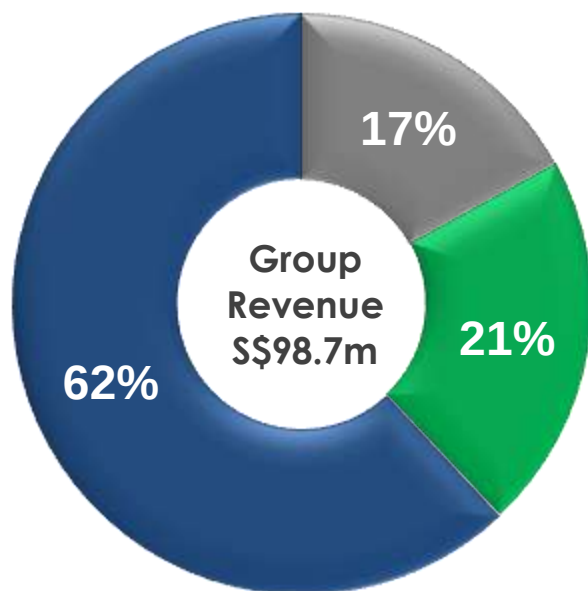
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Portfolio Highlights

Revenue and Gross Profit (By Category)

Revenue
2Q 2015

Gross Profit
2Q 2015

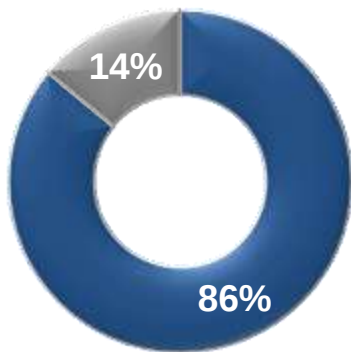


- Master Leases
- Management Contracts with Minimum Guaranteed Income
- Management Contracts

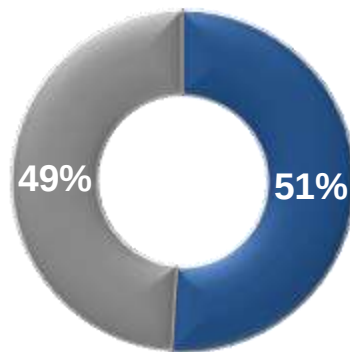
Focus on Corporate and Long Stay Segments

**Breakdown of Apartment Rental Income¹
By Market Segment**

Asia-Pacific

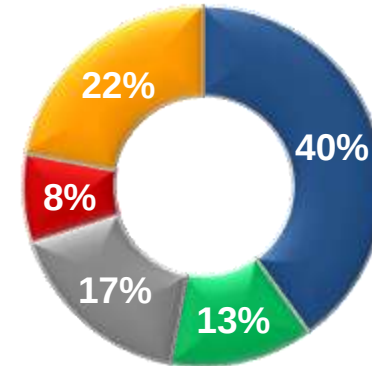


Europe



- Corporate Travel
- Leisure

**Breakdown of Apartment Rental Income¹
By Length of Stay**



- 1 week or less
- Less than 1 month
- 1 to 6 months
- 6 to 12 months
- More than 12 months

Focus on corporate travel segment

Average length of stay is about 4.1 months

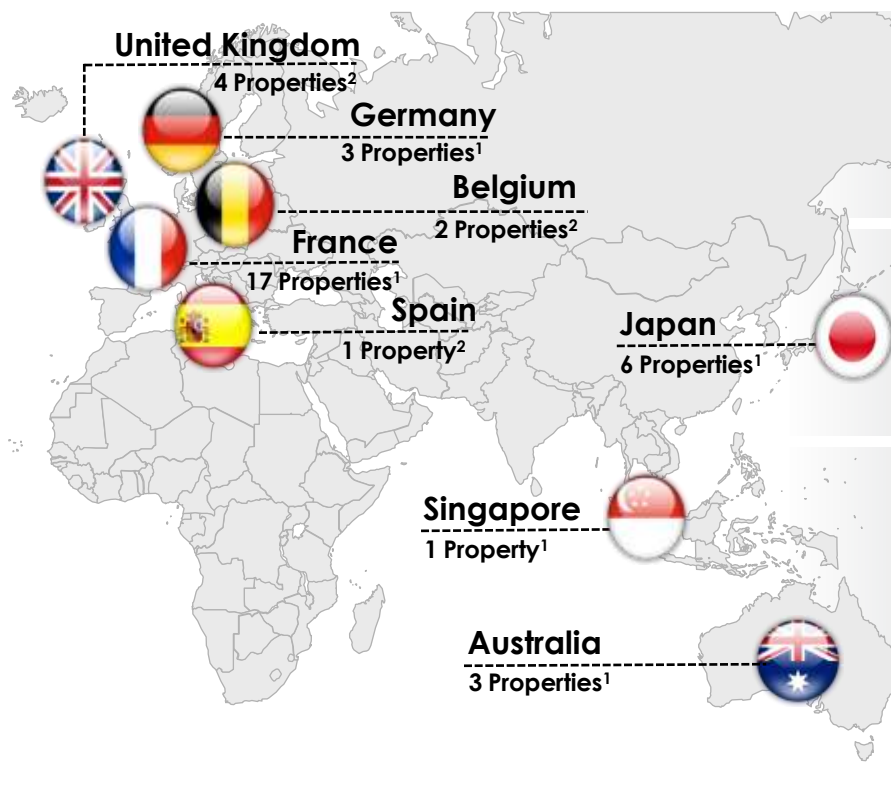
Note:

1. Apartment rental income for YTD June 2015; Information for properties on master leases are not included.



Income Stability

50% of the Group's gross profit for 2Q 2015 is contributed by master leases and management contracts with minimum guaranteed income



18 Cities

in 8 countries

37 Properties

out of 90 properties

3.8 Years

average weighted remaining tenure

Notes:

1. Properties under master leases
2. Properties under management contracts with minimum guaranteed income

Strategies



Ascott Raffles Place Singapore

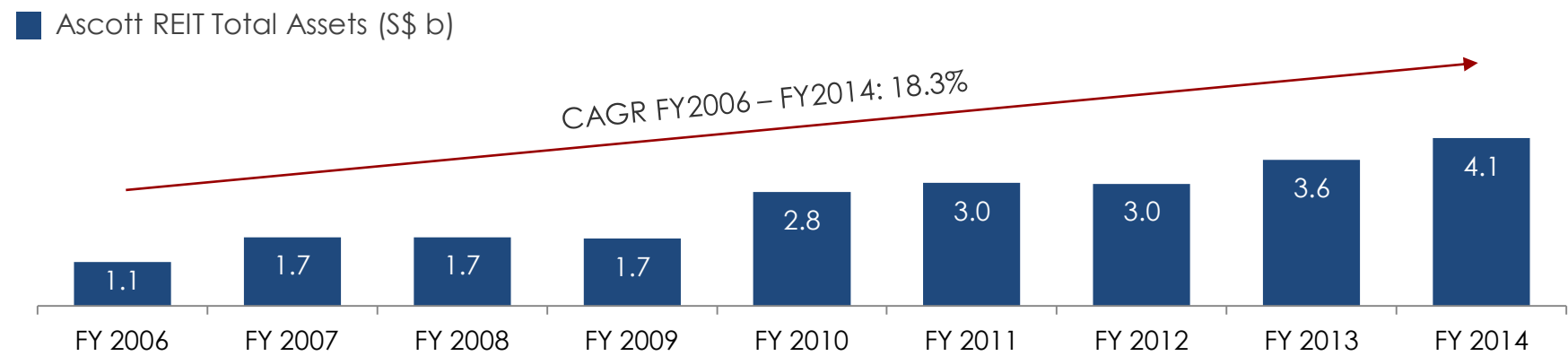


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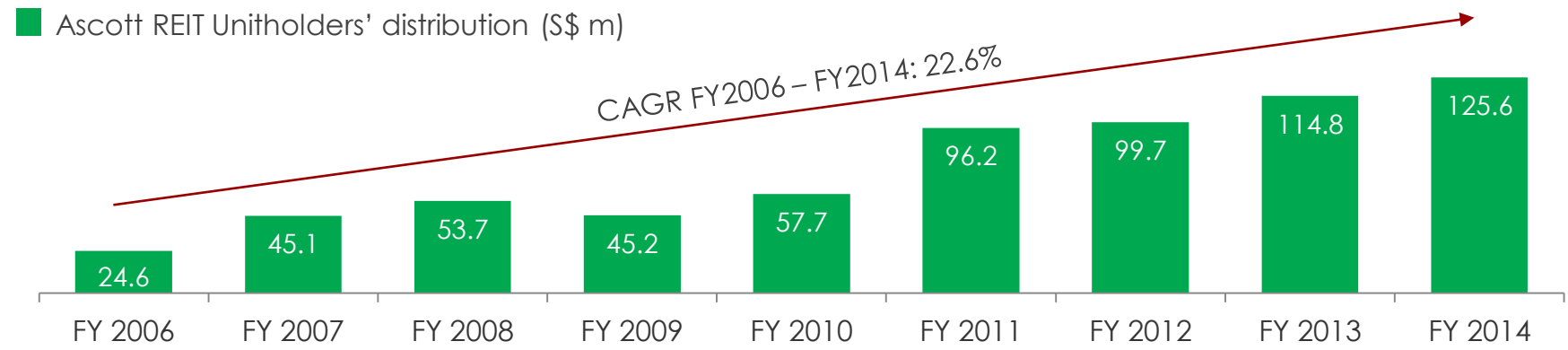


Growth By Acquisition

Ascott REIT has quadrupled its total assets since its listing in 2006...

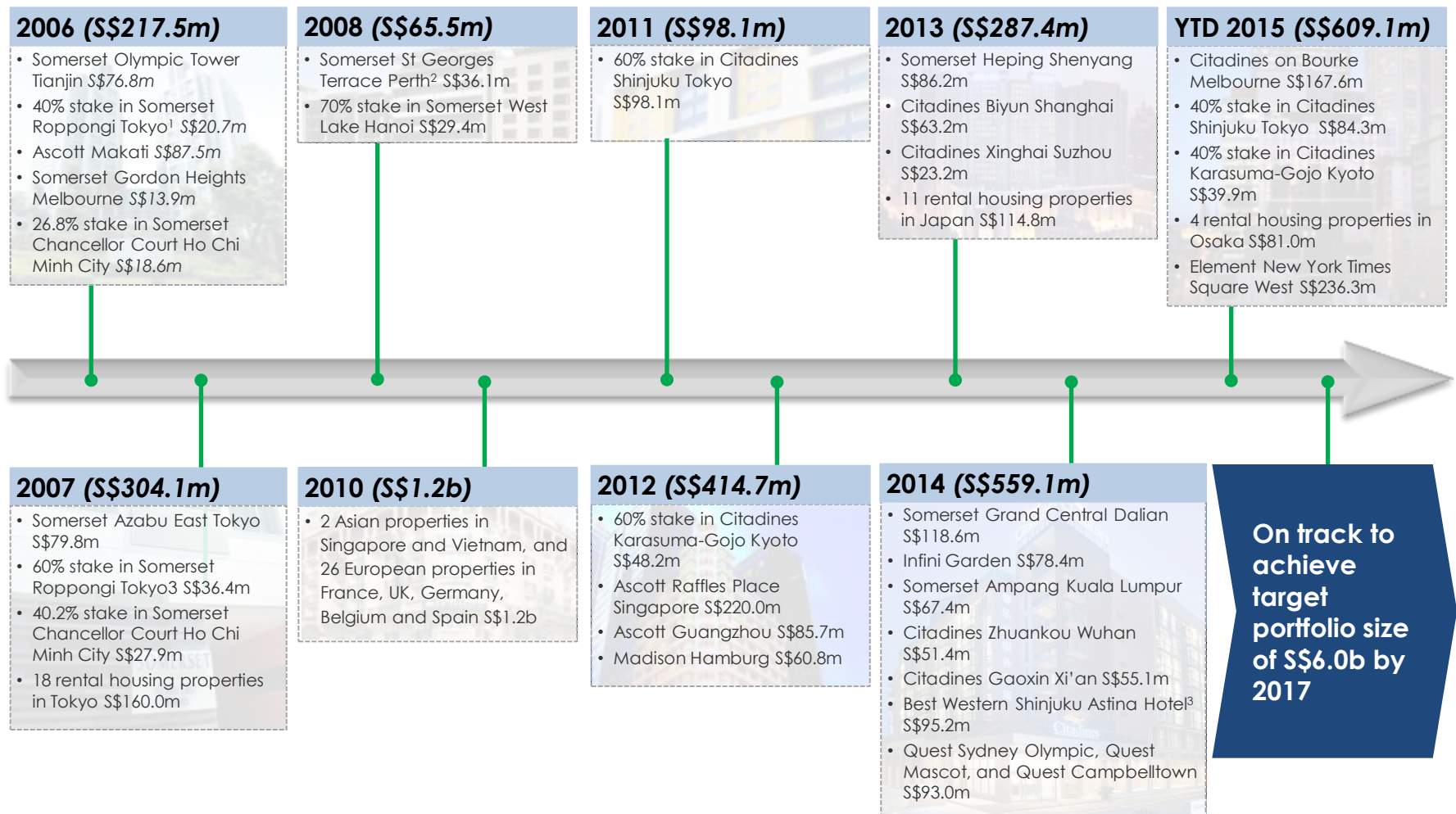


... and achieved strong growth in Unitholders' distribution



Growth By Acquisition

Ascott REIT has acquired over S\$600 million worth of assets in YTD 2015



On track to achieve target portfolio size of S\$6.0b by 2017

Notes: Figures above are based on agreed property value

1. Renamed as Roppongi Residences Tokyo after conversion from a serviced residence to rental housing in April 2012.
2. Rebranded as Citadines St Georges Terrace Perth in January 2014.
3. Rebranded as Citadines Central Shinjuku Tokyo in April 2015.



Growth By Acquisition

Proposed Acquisition of Serviced Residence Properties in Australia and Japan and Rental Housing Properties in Japan

	Citadines on Bourke Melbourne	Citadines Shinjuku Tokyo ("CST")	Citadines Karasuma-Gojo Kyoto ("CKK")	Portfolio of four rental housing properties in Osaka	Total
Proposed Acquisition	100%	Remaining 40% interest	Remaining 40% interest	100%	
Purchase Consideration¹	A\$158.0m (S\$167.0m)	JPY1.8b (S\$20.5m)	JPY872.2m (S\$9.7m)	JPY4.4b (S\$48.8m)	S\$246.0m²
No. of Apartment Units	380	160	124	488	868³

- FY2014 Pro Forma blended EBITDA Yield = 5.1%
- FY2014 Pro Forma DPU Impact = 2.9% accretion

Interested Person/Party Transactions

Unitholders' approval is required for the proposed transactions at the extraordinary general meeting on 24 July 2015, 10.00 a.m.

Notes:

1. Based on exchange rates of A\$1.00 to S\$1.05727 and JPY1.00 to S\$0.01109
2. Adjusted for 40% share of property value in CST and CKK
3. Adjusted for full inventory from CST and CKK which have already been included in Ascott REIT's existing number of units

Growth By Acquisition

Acquisition of an Extended-Stay Hotel Property in New York, United States of America



Property	Element New York Times Square West
Location	Centrally located in Times Square, Manhattan at 311 West 39th Street, New York, NY 10018
No. of Units	411 units
Gross Building Area	181,610 sqft
Title	~98-yr leasehold (expiring Oct 2112)
Brand	Franchised under the extended-stay 'Element' brand
Property Manager	LG-39 Management LLC, an unrelated third party
Year of Opening	Nov 2010
Acquisition Price	US\$163.5m (S\$220.7m ¹) US\$398,000/key (S\$537,300 ¹ /key)
Valuation	US\$175.0m ² (S\$236.3m ¹) US\$426,000/key (S\$575,100 ¹ /key)
FY2014 Pro Forma EBITDA Yield	6.2% ³
FY2014 Pro Forma DPU Impact	0.8% accretion

Notes:

1. Based on exchange rate of US\$1.00 to S\$1.35
2. Valuation, appointed by DBS Trustee Limited, in its capacity as trustee of Ascott REIT, derived by Cushman & Wakefield, Inc. as of 14 May 2015
3. Based on acquisition price of US\$163.5m

Active Asset Management

Recycle capital to optimise portfolio

2010 (\$\$335.7m)

- Ascott Beijing \$301.8m
- Country Woods Jakarta \$33.9m



Ascott Beijing Country Woods Jakarta

2012 (\$\$374.6m)

- Somerset Gordon Heights Melbourne \$15.6m
- Somerset Grand Cairnhill Singapore \$359.0m



Somerset Gordon Heights Melbourne Somerset Grand Cairnhill Singapore

2014 (ongoing)

- Somerset Grand Fortune Garden Property Beijing
- Salcedo Residences



Fortune Garden Apartments¹ Salcedo Residences

Note: Figures above are based on agreed sale price.

1. Formerly known as Somerset Grand Fortune Garden Property Beijing

Continue to rejuvenate portfolio to create new value

AEI Completed in YTD 2015: Somerset Ho Chi Minh City (Phase 1)

Capex incurred	US\$3.3 (\$\$4.2m)
Capex work done	Renovation of 59 units
ADR uplift for renovated rooms	c.27%



AEI Completed in YTD 2015: Somerset Xu Hui Shanghai (Phase 2B)

Capex incurred	RMB18.3m (\$\$3.7m)
Capex work done	Renovation of 42 units
ADR uplift for renovated rooms	c.35%



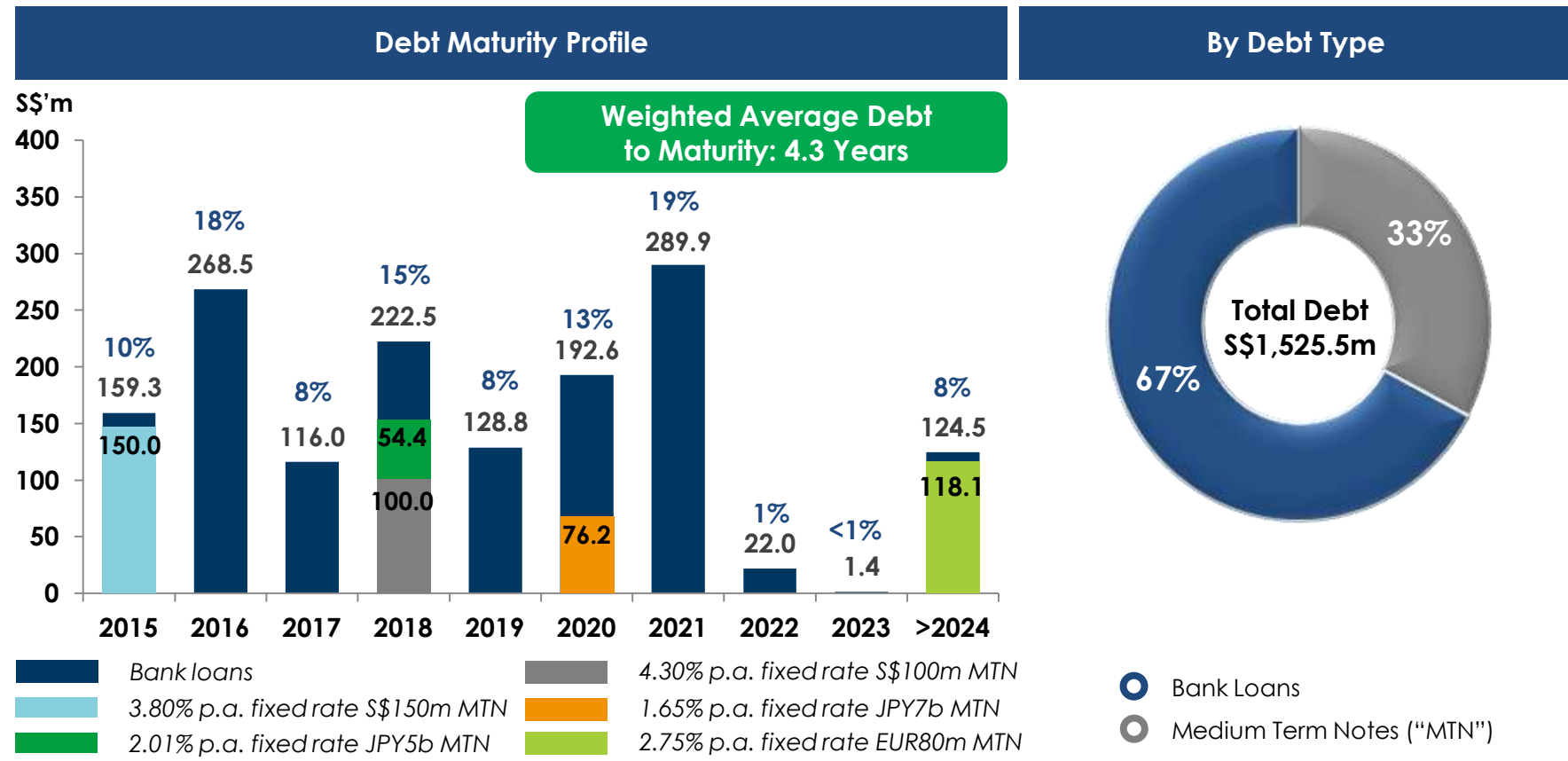


Healthy Balance Sheet and Credit Metrics

Key Financial Indicators

	As at 30 June 2015	As at 31 March 2015
Gearing	35.8%	38.7%
Interest Cover	3.9X	3.7X
Effective Borrowing Rate	2.9%	2.9%
Total Debts on Fixed Rates	78%	80%
Weighted Avg Debt to Maturity (Years)	4.3	4.3
NAV/Unit	S\$1.37	S\$1.36
Ascott REIT's Issuer Rating by Moody's	Baa3	Baa3

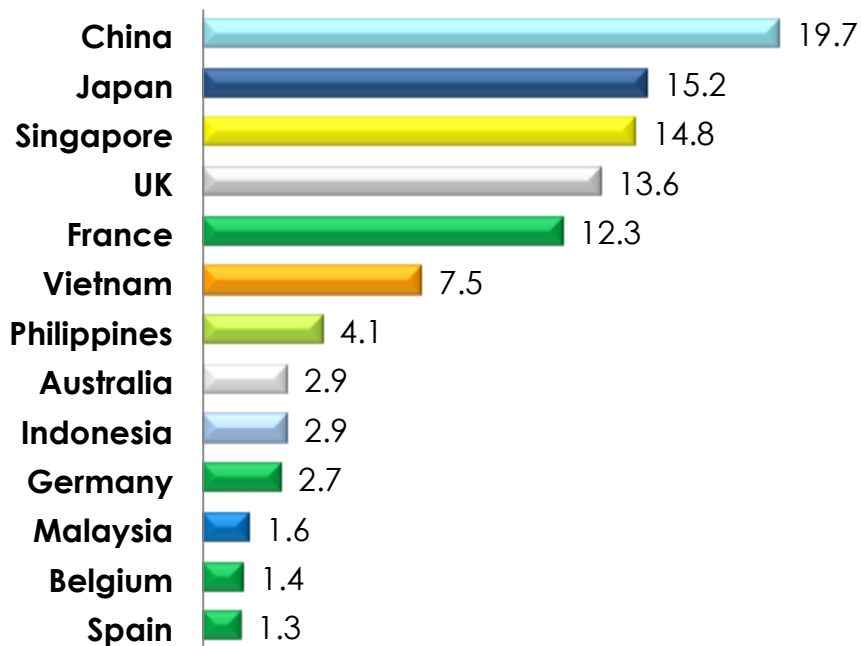
Debt Profile as at 30 June 2015



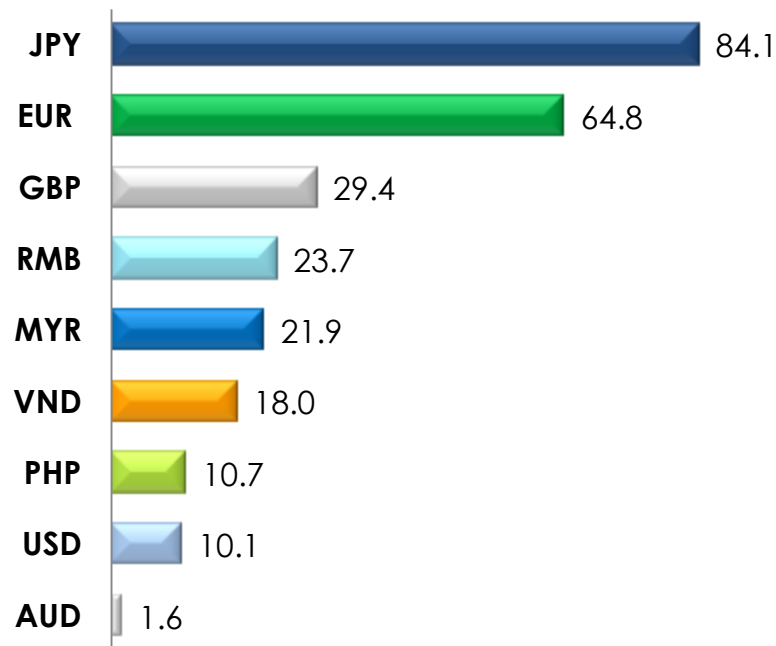
Ascott REIT seeks to diversify funding sources and secure long-term financing at an optimal cost.

Foreign Currency Risk Management

Total Assets by Geography¹ (%)
As at 30 June 2015



Balance Sheet Hedging (%)
As 30 June 2015



Ascott REIT adopts a natural hedging strategy to the extent possible.

Note:

1. Excludes net proceeds from perpetual securities of S\$248m raised on 30 June 2015

Foreign Currency Risk Management

Currency	Gross Profit YTD Jun 2015 (%)	Exchange Rate Movement From 31 Dec 2014 to 30 Jun 2015 (%)
EUR	24.8	-1.4
JPY	17.4	2.7
GBP	12.7	1.0
VND	11.5	3.3
SGD	9.8	-
RMB	9.2	2.7
PHP	5.7	4.6
AUD	4.7	-1.9
USD	3.2	3.6
MYR	1.0	-5.4
Total	100.0	1.2

We have entered into foreign currency forward contracts to hedge distribution income derived in EUR, GBP and JPY. On a portfolio basis, approximately 42% of estimated FY 2015 foreign currency distribution income had been hedged.

Capital and Risk Management

- Issuance of \$250 million fixed rate perpetual securities at 4.68%¹
 - Acquisition of properties in Australia, Japan and United States of America
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- **Successful issuance of perpetual securities**
Received strong investor interest with orders exceeding \$1 billion
 - **Post acquisition gearing of 39.6%**
Perpetual securities will be accounted as equity hence maintaining gearing well within 45% limit
 - **Acquisitions enhanced DPU to Unitholders**
FY 2014 pro forma DPU accretion of +3.8% from 8.20 cents to 8.51 cents
 - **Timely execution of fund raising with accretive acquisitions**
Proceeds from issuance of perpetual securities will be deployed to finance yield-accretive acquisitions



Note:

1. As announced on 23 June 2015

Results Highlights

A nighttime photograph of a dense urban skyline in Singapore. The central focus is the Ascott Raffles Place building, a tall, light-colored structure with a distinctive tiered top and illuminated balconies. To its right, a darker building features vertical signage that reads "ONE FINLAYSON GREEN". The background is filled with other illuminated skyscrapers under a twilight sky. The overall scene conveys a sense of modernity and high-density urban development.

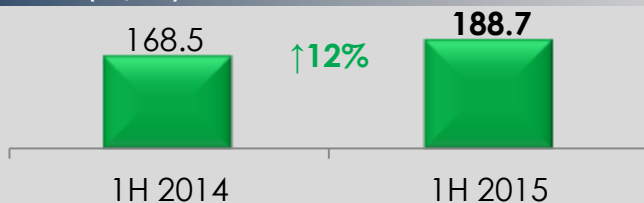
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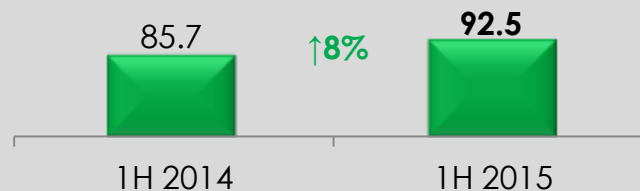
1H 2015 Financial Highlights

Revenue and gross profit increased due to 2014 acquisitions¹

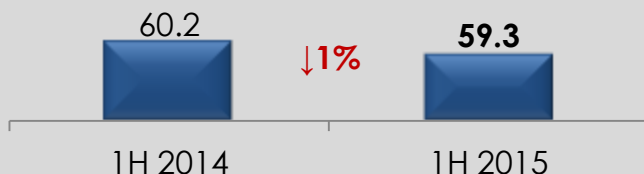
Revenue (\$m)



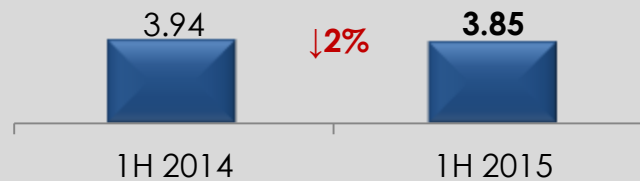
Gross Profit (\$m)



Unitholders' Distribution (\$m)



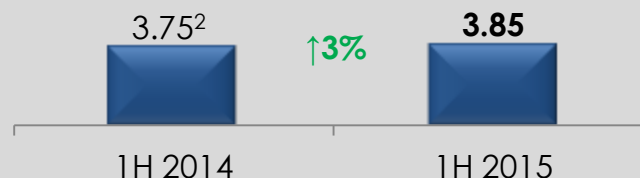
Distribution Per Unit (\$ cents)



Portfolio Valuation (\$)

As at 30 June 2015
3,793.5m
 surplus of S\$21.3m in 2Q 2015

Adjusted Distribution Per Unit (\$ cents)



- Overall RevPAU decreased 7% YoY from S\$131 in 1H 2014 to S\$122 in 1H 2015 due to weaker performance from properties in Singapore and Philippines and lower ADR from the properties acquired in 2014.
- On a same store basis, RevPAU decreased by 2%

Notes:

- Acquisition of nine properties in Australia, China, Japan and Malaysia
- Unitholders' distribution in 1H 2014 included one-off items of approximately S\$3.0 million

Surplus of S\$21.3m in 2Q 2015

Higher valuation from properties in Japan and United Kingdom, partially offset by lower valuation in China properties

- CBRE is appointed as the new independent valuer to undertake the 30 June 2015 desktop valuation
- Portfolio valuation as at 30 June 2015 of S\$3,793.5m





Master Leases (1H 2015 vs 1H 2014)



Citadines
Suites Louvre
Paris



Citadines
Les Halles Paris



Citadines
Croisette
Cannes



Citadines
Arnulfpark
Munich



Ascott
Raffles Place
Singapore



Quest Sydney
Olympic Park

Revenue ('mil)

Gross Profit ('mil)

	1H 2015	1H 2014		1H 2015	1H 2014	
Australia (AUD) 3 Properties ¹	3.4	-	-	3.2	-	-
France (EUR) 17 Properties	11.5	11.7	↓	10.6	10.8	↓
Germany (EUR) 3 Properties	2.9	2.9	-	2.5	2.6	↓
Japan (JPY) 6 Properties	375.4	286.8	↑	299.8	232.8	↑
Singapore (SGD) Ascott Raffles Place Singapore	4.6	4.4	↑	3.7	3.5	↑

Revenue and gross profit from properties in France decreased due to negative indexation. Higher revenue and gross profit for properties in Japan was mainly attributed to the acquisition of Infini Garden in March 2014. Revenue and gross profit from Ascott Raffles Place Singapore increased due to refurbishment in 1Q 2014.

Note:

1. Acquired three serviced residence properties in Greater Sydney in December 2014



Management Contracts with Minimum Guaranteed Income (1H 2015 vs 1H 2014)

	Revenue ('mil)			Gross Profit ('mil)		
	1H 2015	1H 2014		1H 2015	1H 2014	
Belgium (EUR) 2 Properties	4.1	3.7	↑	1.0	0.6	↑
Spain (EUR) 1 Property	2.3	1.9	↑	1.0	0.8	↑
United Kingdom (GBP) 4 Properties	12.9	12.4	↑	5.7	4.6	↑



Management Contracts (1H 2015 vs 1H 2014)

	Revenue ('mil)			Gross Profit ('mil)			RevPAU		
	1H 2015	1H 2014		1H 2015	1H 2014		1H 2015	1H 2014	
Australia (AUD)	2.5	2.3	↑	0.9	0.7	↑	152	143	↑
China (RMB)	153.3	111.1	↑	39.1	33.9	↑	409	475	↓
Indonesia (USD)	6.1	6.5	↓	2.2	2.7	↓	82	87	↓
Japan (JPY) ¹	2,090.6	1,398.2	↑	1,136.4	805.7	↑	11,617	10,156	↑
Malaysia (MYR)	9.0	-	-	2.5	-	-	238	-	-
Philippines (PHP)	499.8	548.5	↓	173.0	194.7	↓	4,175	4,683	↓
Singapore (SGD)	12.7	13.2	↓	5.4	6.0	↓	200	206	↓
Vietnam (VND) ^{2,3}	309.5	325.4	↓	168.1	183.5	↓	1,498	1,555	↓

Notes:

1. RevPAU for Japan refers to serviced residences and excludes rental housing.
2. Revenue and gross profit figures for VND are stated in billions. RevPAU figures are stated in thousands.
3. Upon the expiry of the deed of yield protection, revenue and gross profit of Somerset West Lake have been classified under "Management Contracts" category from April 2014 onwards. For comparison purpose, the revenue and gross profit for Somerset West Lake for YTD June 2014 have been classified under "Management Contracts" category.

Conclusion



Ascott Raffles Place Singapore

Conclusion

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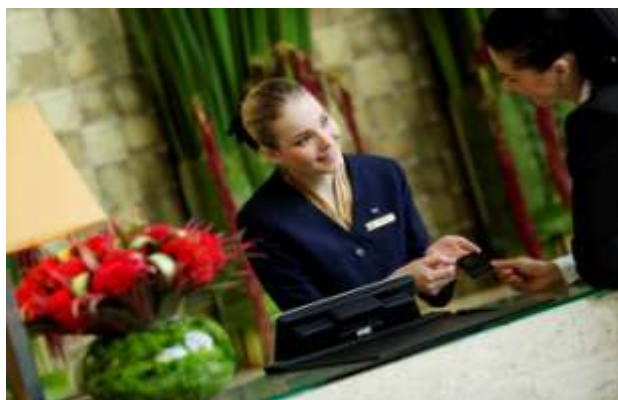
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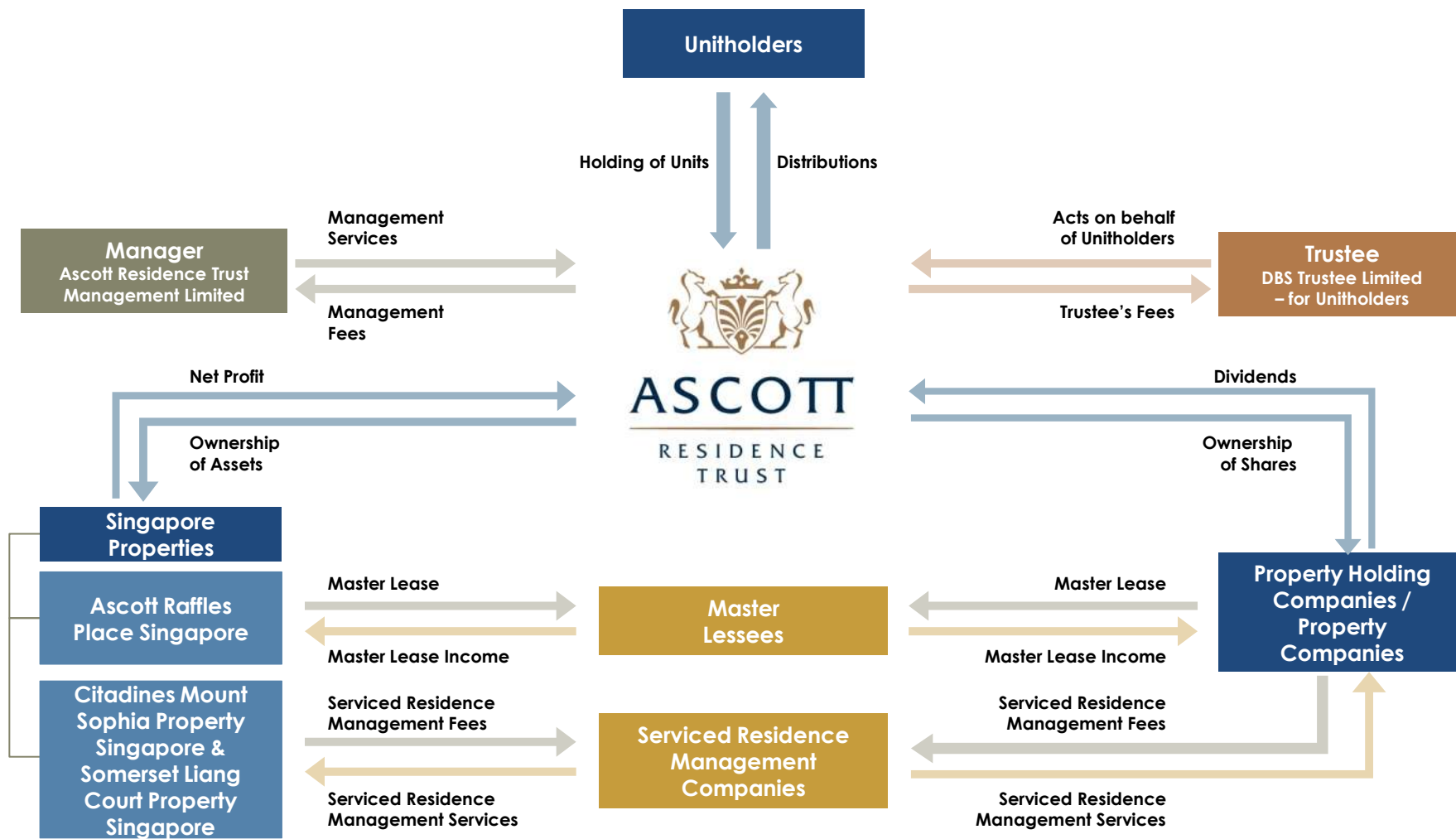
Appendix



Citadines Mount Sophia



Trust Structure



Types of Contracts¹

	Properties under Master Lease	Properties under Management Contracts with Minimum Income Guarantee	Properties on Management Contracts
Description	Master Lessees (which include third parties and subsidiaries of Ascott) pay fixed rental per annum² to Ascott REIT	Properties on management contracts that enjoy minimum guaranteed income (from subsidiaries of Ascott)	No fixed or guaranteed rental but Ascott as operator manages Ascott REIT's properties for a fee
Tenure	Average weighted remaining tenure of about 3.8 years		Generally on a 10-year basis
Location	30 properties - 3 in Australia - 17 in France - 3 in Germany - 6 in Japan - 1 in Singapore	7 properties - 4 in UK - 2 in Belgium - 1 in Spain	53 properties - 29 in Japan - 23 in Asia (ex-Japan) - 1 in Australia

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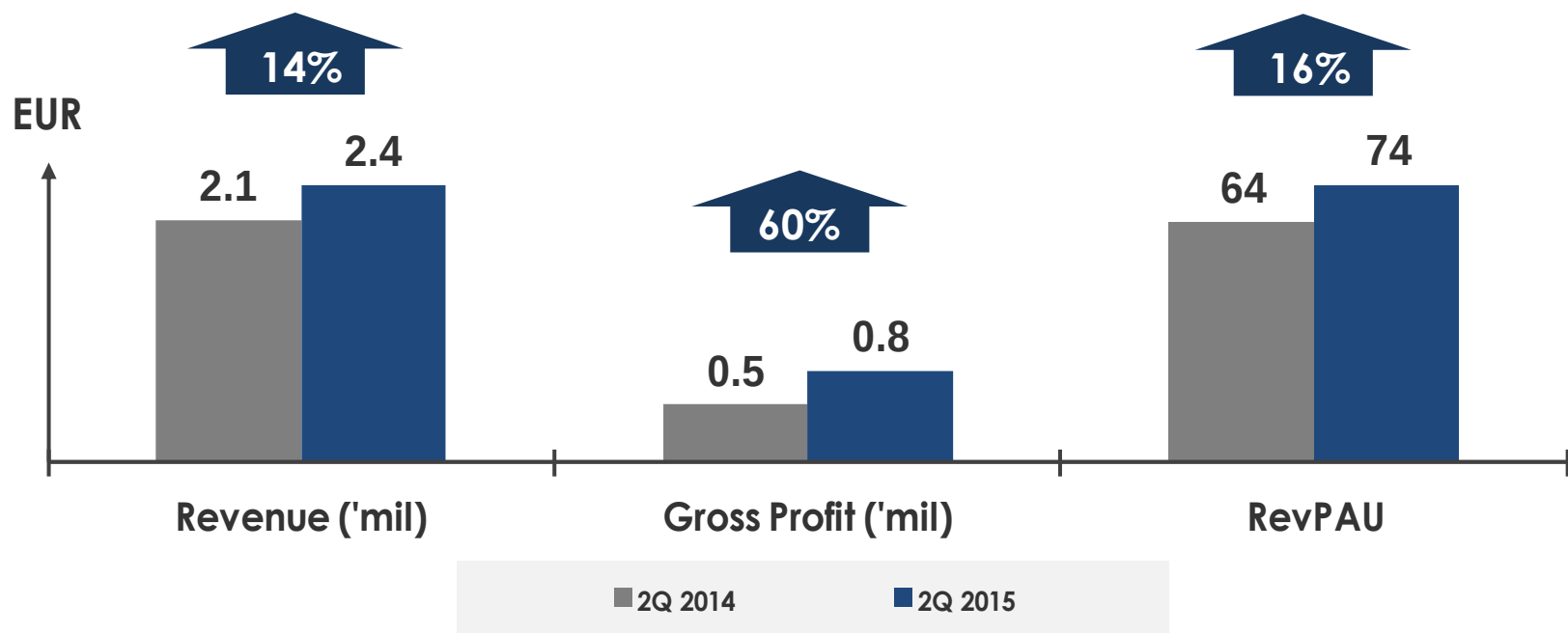
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2. The rental payments under the master leases are generally fixed for a period of time. However, the master leases provide for annual rental revisions and/or pegged to indices representing construction costs, inflation or commercial rental prices according to market practice. Accordingly, the rental revisions may be adjusted upwards or downwards depending on the above factors.



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Sainte-Catherine
Brussels



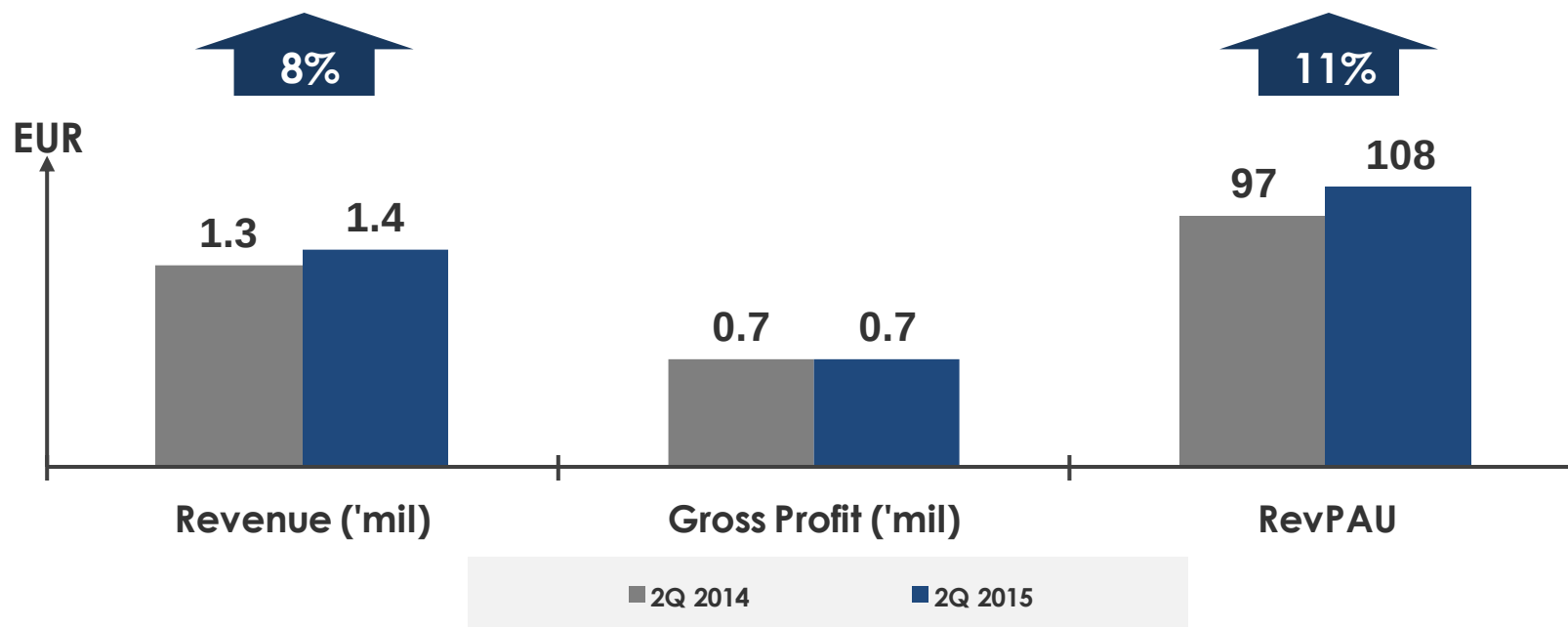
Citadines
Toison d'Or
Brussels



Revenue, gross profit and RevPAU increased mainly due to stronger corporate demand.



Citadines Ramblas
Barcelona



Revenue and RevPAU increased mainly due to higher demand for the refurbished apartments.



Citadines
Barbican
London



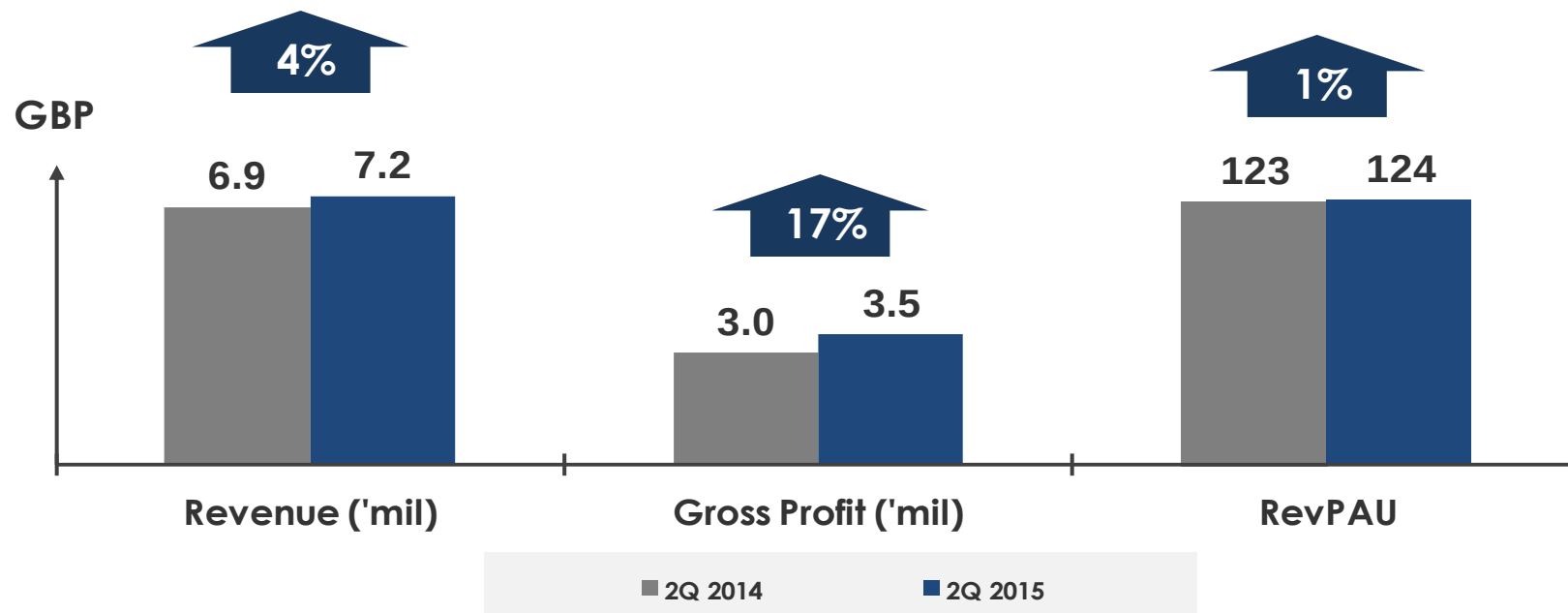
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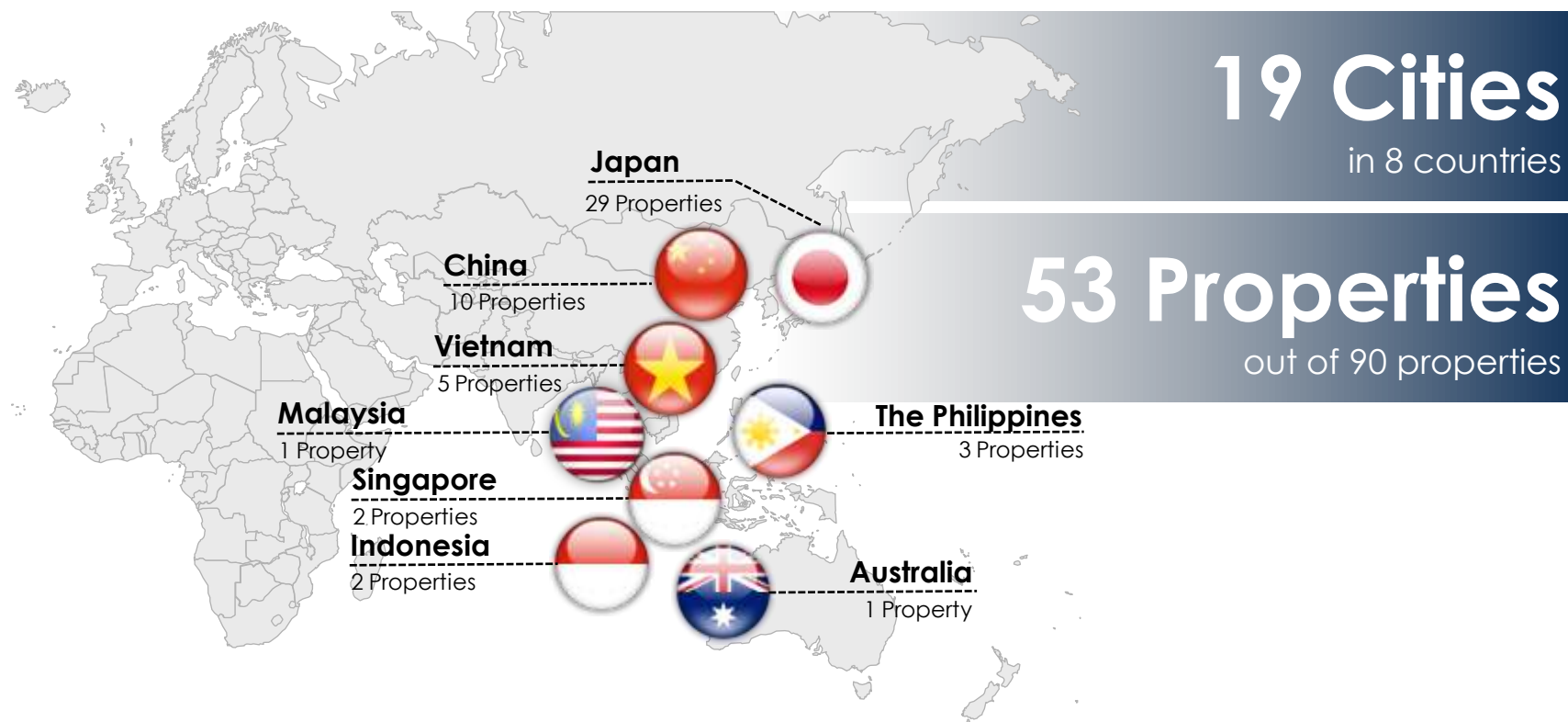


Revenue and RevPAU increased mainly due to stronger demand from corporate sector and higher retail income. Gross profit increased mainly due to higher revenue, coupled with lower staff costs and depreciation expense.



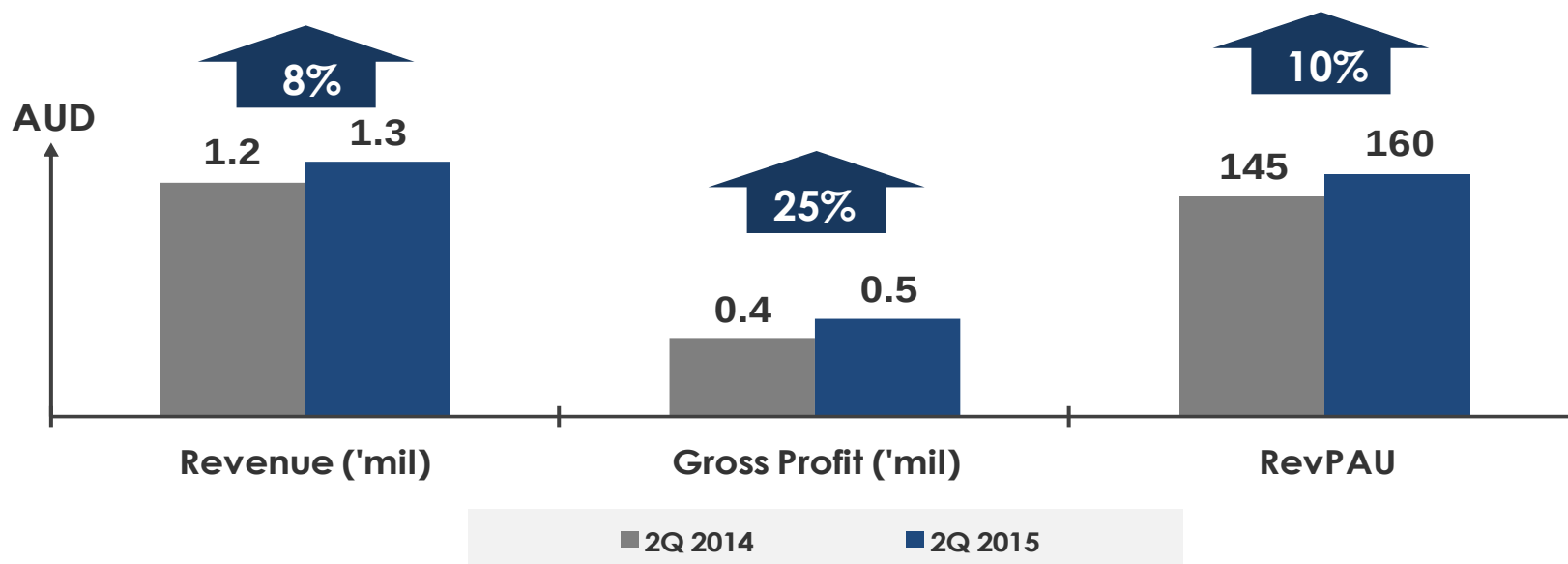
Management Contracts

50% of the Group's gross profit for 2Q 2015 is contributed by management contracts





Citadines
St Georges
Terrace Perth



Revenue, gross profit and RevPAU increased mainly due to stronger demand from the leisure sector.



Somerset
Grand Central
Dalian



Citadines
Zhuankou
Wuhan



Citadines
Gaoxin Xi'an



Somerset
Heping
Shenyang



Ascott
Guangzhou



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Tower Property
Tianjin



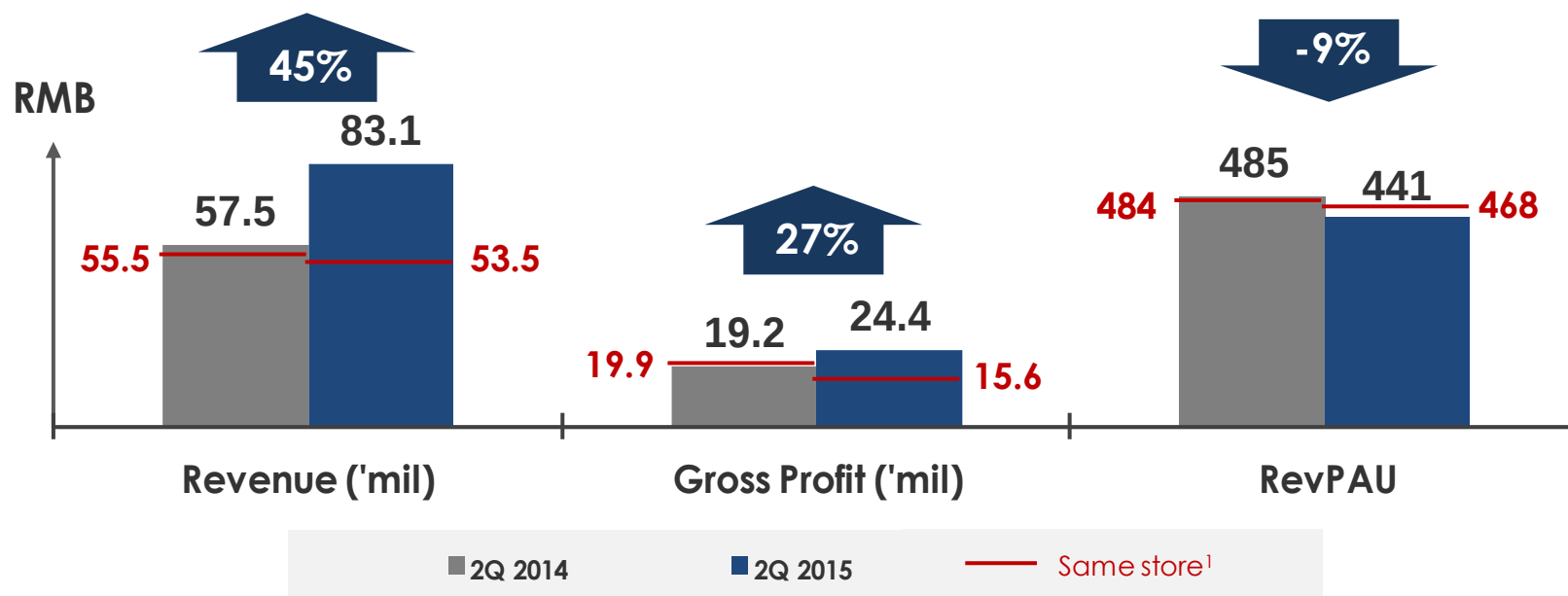
Citadines
Xinghai
Suzhou



Citadines
Biyun
Shanghai



Somerset Xu
Hui Shanghai



Revenue and gross profit increased mainly due to contribution from the properties acquired in 2014². On the same store basis, revenue, gross profit and RevPAU decreased due to ongoing refurbishment at Somerset Xu Hui Shanghai and Somerset Olympic Tower and higher staff costs.

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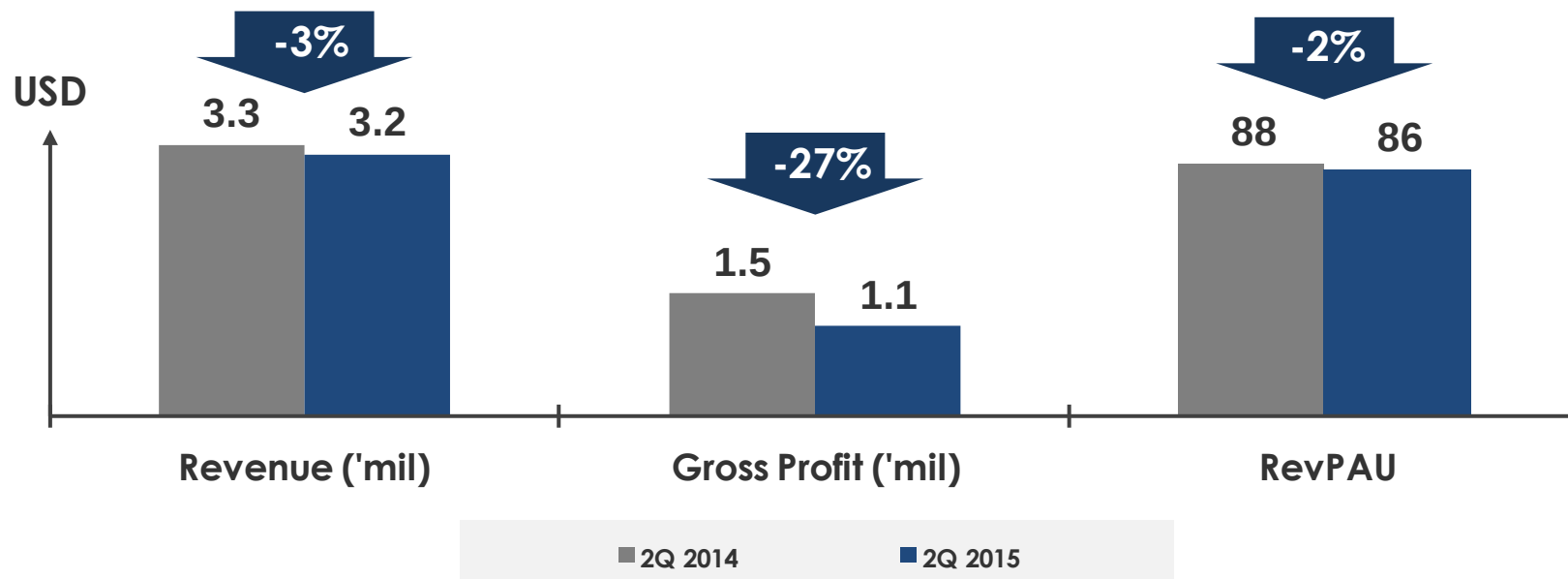
1. Excluding Somerset Grand Central Dalian acquired in June 2014, Citadines Zhuankou Wuhan and Citadines Gaoxin Xi'an acquired in August 2014, and Fortune Garden Apartments (formerly known as Somerset Grand Fortune Garden Property Beijing) which had commenced strata sale of units since October 2013.
2. Acquisition of Somerset Grand Central Dalian (completed in June 2014), Citadines Zhuankou Wuhan and Citadines Gaoxin Xi'an (completed in August 2014).



Ascott Jakarta



Somerset Grand
Citra Jakarta



Revenue and RevPAU decreased mainly due to weaker demand from corporate accounts. Gross profit decreased mainly due to lower revenue, coupled with higher insurance expense and management corporation fee.



Somerset
Azabu East
Tokyo



Citadines
Shinjuku
Tokyo



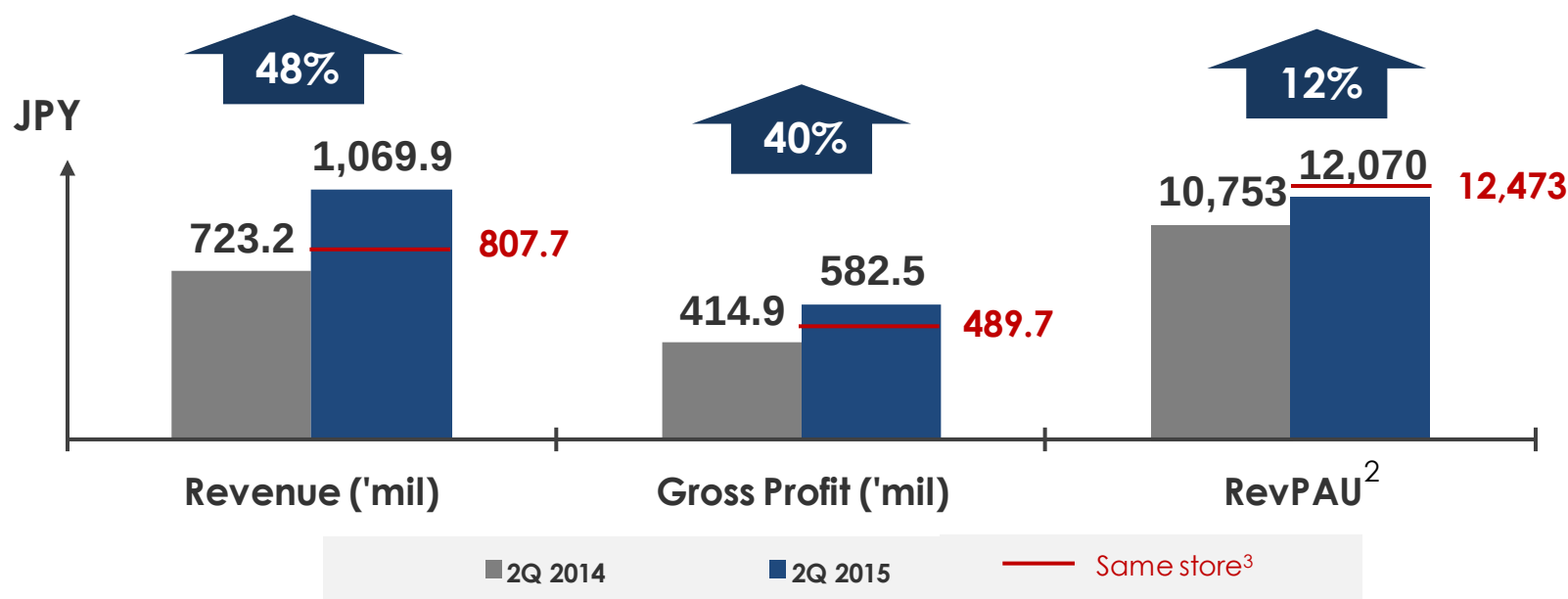
Citadines
Karasuma-Gojo
Kyoto



Citadines
Central Shinjuku
Tokyo¹



25 rental housing
properties
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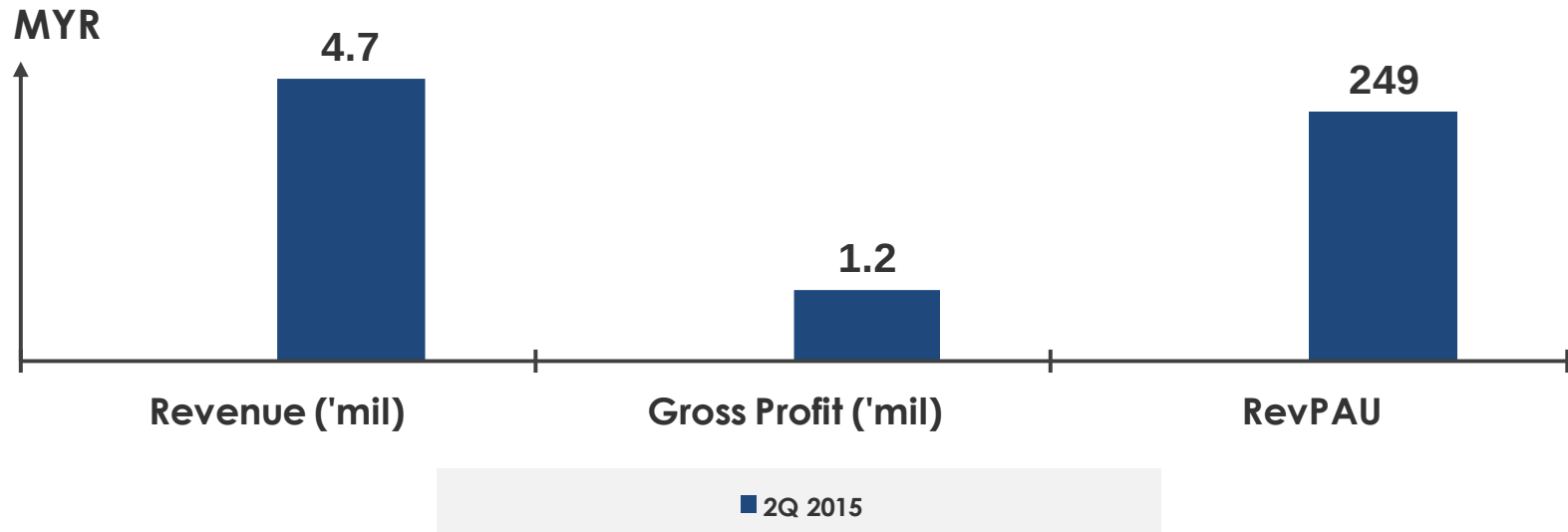
Revenue and gross profit increased mainly due to the contribution from Citadines Central Shinjuku Tokyo¹ acquired in October 2014, as well as stronger demand from the corporate and leisure sectors.

Notes:

1. Formerly known as Best Western Shinjuku Astina Hotel
2. RevPAU for serviced residence properties only
3. Excluding Citadines Central Shinjuku Tokyo



Somerset Ampang
Kuala Lumpur



Ascott REIT made its first foray into Malaysia last year. Somerset Ampang Kuala Lumpur was acquired on 18 August 2014.



The Philippines



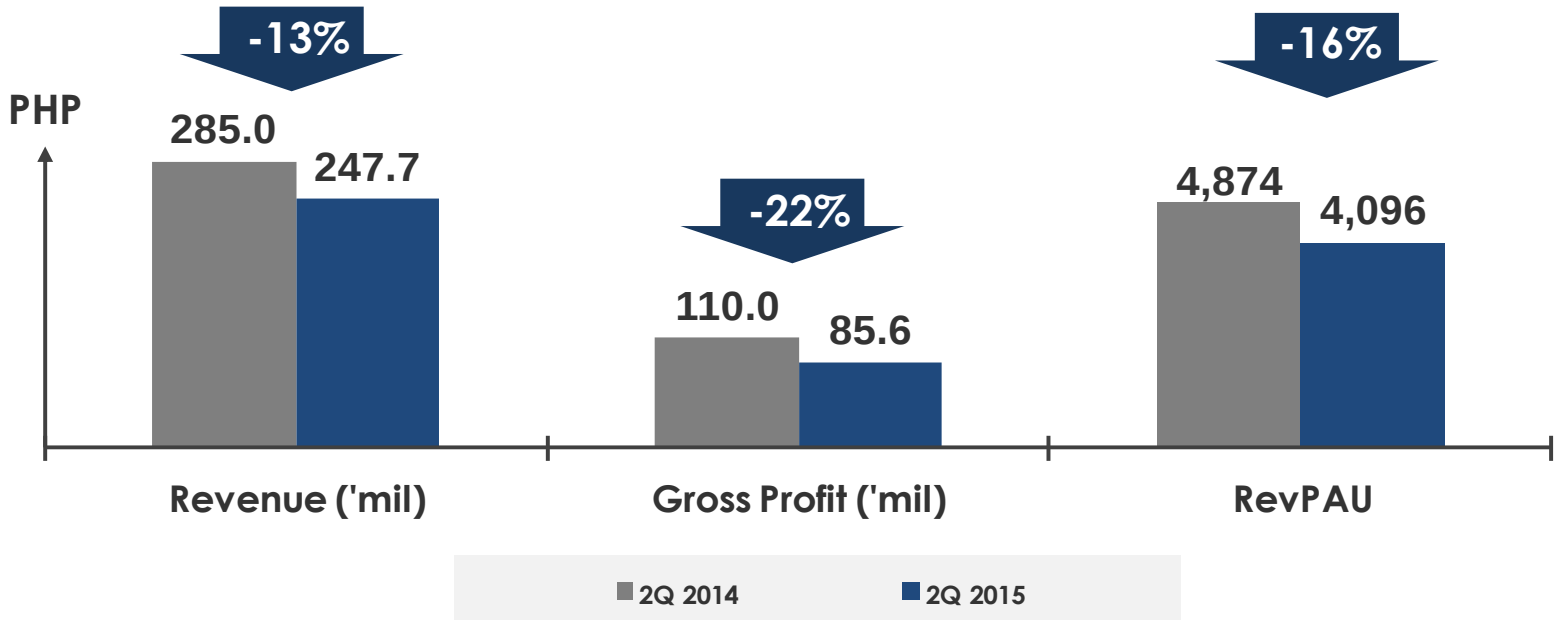
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Somerset
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Residences



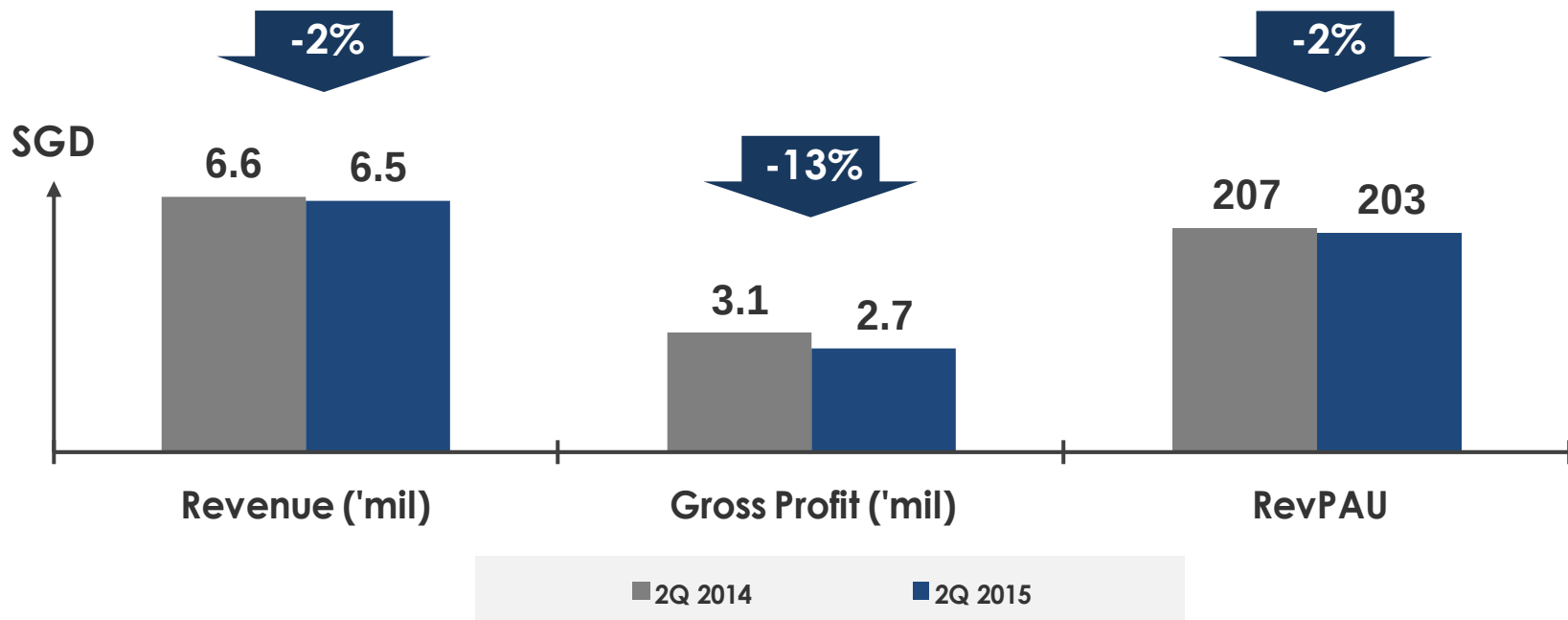
Revenue and RevPAU decreased mainly due to weaker demand from corporate accounts. Gross profit decreased mainly due to lower revenue, partially offset by lower utility expense.



Somerset
Liang Court
Property
Singapore



Citadines
Mount Sophia
Property
Singapore



Revenue, RevPAU decreased mainly due to lower corporate accommodation budgets and weaker demand from project groups. Gross profit decreased due to lower revenue, coupled with higher utility expense arising from a one-off recovery of utility expense from tenants in 2Q 2014.



Somerset
Grand Hanoi



Somerset
Hoa Binh Hanoi



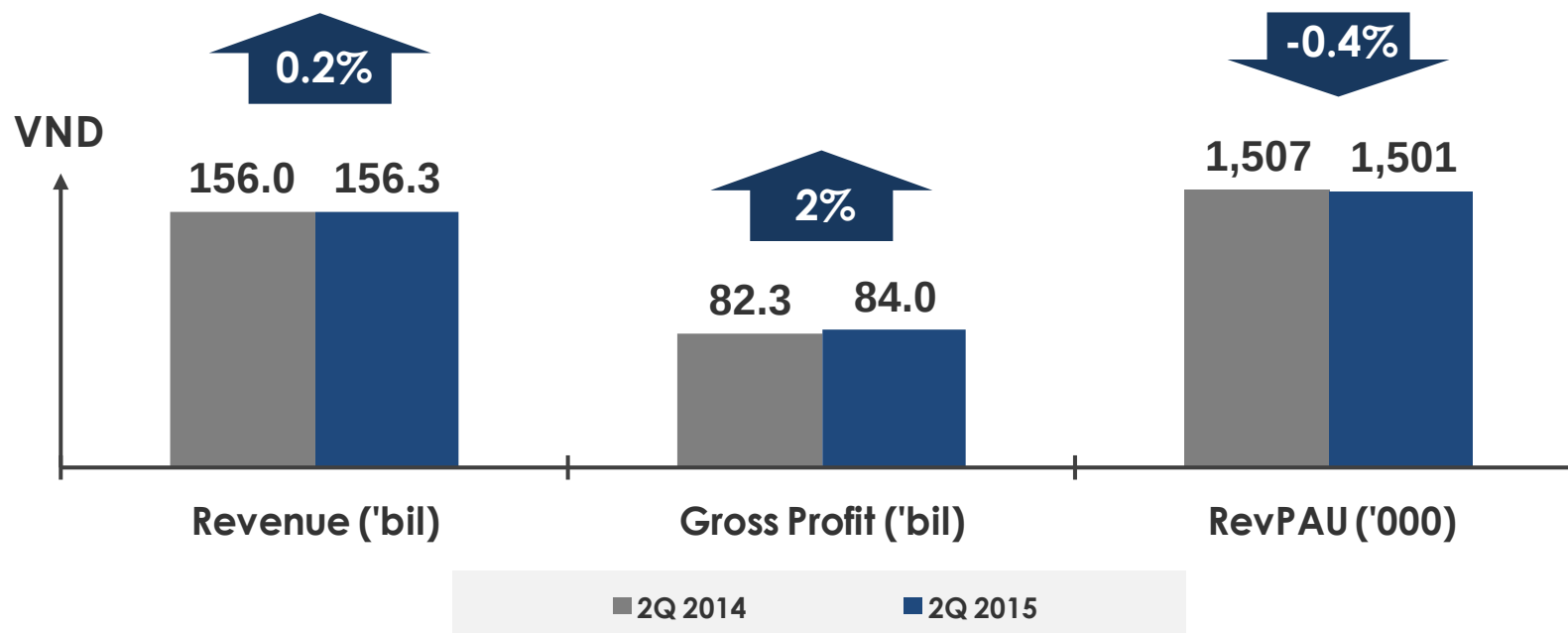
Somerset West
Lake Hanoi



Somerset Ho
Chi Minh City



Somerset
Chancellor Court
Ho Chi Minh City



Revenue increased mainly due to higher demand for the refurbished apartments at Somerset Ho Chi Minh City. Gross profit increased due to higher revenue and lower operation and maintenance expense.



Ongoing Asset Enhancement Initiatives

Properties		Costs	Time Period
1	Somerset Olympic Tower Property Tianjin - Phased renovation of 86 units	RMB29.5m (S\$5.9m) ¹	2Q 2014 to 4Q 2015
2	Somerset Xu Hui Shanghai (Phase 2C and 2D) - Phased renovation of remaining 84 units of 1BR, 2BR and 3BRs	RMB38.3m (S\$8.2m)	3Q 2015 to 3Q 2016
3	Ascott Makati - Renovation of selected units, café, business centres and public area - Upgrade mechanical and electrical infrastructure	US\$26.1m (S\$35.3m)	3Q 2015 to 1Q 2018
4	Somerset Ho Chi Minh City (Phase 2) - Renovation of 151 apartments including renovation of master and common bathrooms, room FF&E/OES over 2 phases	US\$4.9m (S\$6.2m)	2Q 2016 to 1Q 2017
5	Citadines Barbican London - Phased renovation of 129 units	£3.9m (S\$8.1m)	4Q 2015 to 2Q 2016
Total		S\$63.7m	

Note:

1. For the entire refurbishment project



Outlook and Prospects

With the acquisitions announced this year and the new serviced residence block sited at Cairnhill which Ascott REIT has entered into via a forward contract, Ascott REIT's total asset size would have reached S\$5.0 billion. These acquisitions bring Ascott REIT closer to its target portfolio of S\$6.0 billion by 2017.

As part of its financing plans for the acquisitions, Ascott REIT successfully raised S\$250.0 million from the issuance of perpetual securities. While we tap diversified funding sources, the Manager will continue to maintain a disciplined and prudent capital management approach. As at 30 June 2015, the borrowings coming due in FY 2015 have mostly been refinanced and we have embarked on plans to refinance borrowings due in FY 2016. The Manager remains vigilant to changes in the macro and credit environment that may impact the Group's financing plans.

The Group will continue to refurbish Ascott REIT's properties to enhance guest experience and maximise returns to Unitholders. As part of Ascott REIT's strategy to optimise returns for its Unitholders, Ascott REIT will commence the sale process for some of its properties with limited growth potential.

There have been uncertainties in the global economic recovery with the International Monetary Fund cutting its global growth outlook twice this year to 3.3% on the back of weakness in certain markets. With the ongoing Greek debt crisis possibly weighing on Euro currency, Ascott REIT has proactively entered into foreign currency forward contracts to hedge approximately 70% of its anticipated FY 2015 Unitholders' distribution derived in Euro. Furthermore, approximately 65% of Euro-denominated assets have been hedged through the use of Euro-denominated borrowings. Notwithstanding, we expect our portfolio to remain resilient and the general hospitality business to remain healthy globally in 2015. The Group's operating performance for FY 2015 should remain profitable.