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## **Press Release**

# Fortune REIT Wins Champion in Seven Categories of "Asia's Best Companies Poll 2014" by *FinanceAsia*

Best-ever Achievement - Named as "Best Managed Company in Hong Kong" & Honored with "Hong Kong's Best Mid Cap" for Third Consecutive Year

24 March 2014. **ARA Asset Management (Fortune) Limited** (the "Manager"), as manager of Fortune Real Estate Investment Trust ("**Fortune REIT**"; SEHK: 778; SGX: F25U), announced that Fortune REIT has been awarded as champion in seven categories within the Asia's Best Companies Poll 2014 conducted by *FinanceAsia*, a leading and reputable financial magazine in Asia. Fortune REIT has not only been named as "Best Managed Company in Hong Kong", but also honored with "Hong Kong's Best Mid Cap" for the third consecutive year and "Most Committed to a Strong Dividend Policy" for the second consecutive year, in addition to winning another four prestigious accolades this year, reaching its best-ever achievement with seven champions garnered. This performance clearly demonstrates that its continuous dedication to excellence in all aspects of corporate management has gained the widespread appreciation of the investment community.

Fortune REIT was accredited by FinanceAsia in the Annual Poll 2014 with the following awards:

- No. 1 Best Managed Company in Hong Kong
- No. 1 Best Mid-cap in Hong Kong
- No. 1 Most Committed to a Strong Dividend Policy in Hong Kong
- No. 1 Best Corporate Governance in Hong Kong
- No. 1 Best Corporate Social Responsibility in Hong Kong
- No. 1 Best Investor Relations in Hong Kong
- No. 1 Best CEO in Hong Kong Mr Anthony Ang



Mr Anthony Ang, Chief Executive Officer of the Manager said, "We are very excited with our progress over the years and especially encouraged by the remarkable results we earned this year. Fortune REIT remains committed to creating fruitful returns to our Unitholders during the ups and downs of the economy. This commitment has been amply demonstrated by our sustainable financial performance in the past decade guided by our dedication to the three core competencies of investment, asset management and asset enhancement. The awards in "Asia's Best Companies Poll 2014" by *FinanceAsia* truly reflect our ceaseless efforts on pursuing excellence on corporate governance, investor relations, corporate social responsibility and maintaining a strong dividend policy in the best interest of our stakeholders.

Ms Justina Chiu, Deputy Chief Executive Officer of the Manager added, "We would like to take this opportunity to thank all investors and analysts for their consistent support over the years and who cast their ballots for Fortune REIT in the Poll. Looking ahead, Fortune REIT resolves to adhere to the highest standard of corporate management and strengthen our ties with the investment community. We are also committed to delivering the maximum value to our Unitholders and ensuring the long-term business growth of Fortune REIT."

FinanceAsia is a leading financial magazine in Asia. For the Asia's Best Companies Poll 2014, all the awards were nominated and voted by institutional investors or analysts across the region. Investment professionals are requested to rank companies in key categories such as corporate governance, investor relations, commitment to dividends, etc.



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**About Fortune REIT.** Fortune Real Estate Investment Trust ("Fortune REIT") is a real estate investment trust consituted by a Trust Deed entered into on 4 July 2003 (as amended) made between ARA Asset Management (Fortune) Limited, as the Manager of Fortune REIT, and HSBC Institutional Trust Services (Singapore) Limited, as the Trustee of Fortune REIT. Listed on 12 August 2003 on the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited with a dual primary listing on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited on 20 April 2010, Fortune REIT was Asia's first cross-border REIT and also the first REIT to hold assets in Hong Kong.

Fortune REIT currently holds a portfolio of 17 private housing estate retail properties in Hong Kong, comprising of 3.11 million Sq.ft. of retail space and 2,606 car parking spaces. The retail properties are Fortune City One, Fortune Kingswood, Ma On Shan Plaza, Metro Town, Fortune Metropolis, Belvedere Square, Waldorf Avenue, Caribbean Square, Provident Square, Jubilee Square, Smartland, Tsing Yi Square, Nob Hill Square, Hampton Loft, Centre de Laguna, Lido Avenue and Rhine Avenue. They house tenants from diverse trade sectors such as supermarkets, food and beverage outlets, banks, real estate agencies and education providers. More information can be found at <a href="https://www.fortunereit.com">www.fortunereit.com</a>.

About ARA Asset Management (Fortune) Limited, the Manager. Fortune REIT is managed by ARA Asset Management (Fortune) Limited, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Singapore-listed ARA Asset Management Limited ("ARA"). ARA is an Asian real estate fund management company focused on the management of publicly listed REITs and private real estate funds. More information can be found at www.ara-asia.com.

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