Singapore Company Update



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Suntec REIT (SUN SP)

Expecting a Better 2H; Keep BUY

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Buy (Maintained)

Target Price (Return):	SGD1.78 (26.2%)
Price:	SGD1.41
Market Cap:	USD2,852m
Avg Daily Turnover (SGD/USD)	23.4m/16.6m

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 BUY with unchanged TP of SGD1.78, 26% upside and c.6% yield. Suntec REIT remains our preferred office/retail pick on valuation grounds and expected improvement in operational numbers. Office portfolio (c.70% of income) is expected to remain resilient while the impact on the retail portfolio is partly mitigated by the strategic location of its malls. With recent completion of development assets, organic income is set to improve from 2H onwards.

- Attractive valuation compared to peers'; Major shareholder increased stake. Suntec's P/BV of 0.66x is at c.17% discount to sector peers (Figure 2). This valuation gap is probably due to two reasons: a lack of sponsor pipeline and use of capital top-ups to boost DPU. On the acquisition front, despite a lack of direct sponsor pipeline, Suntec has proved over years its ability to grow, by leveraging on ARA's network and track record. Suntec has been largely prudent in using capital top-ups mainly as a bridge to offset the lack of income contribution from assets under development. We also note that one of its major shareholders, Gordon Tang's family members (c.8% stake), increased its stake through open market purchases in May.
- Low expiring office portfolio rents provide buffer. Office occupancy during 1Q remains high at 98.8% with only 8.6% of leases pending renewal this year. Although in FY21 it has c.29% of leases up for renewal, the expiring rents for FY21 are 10-20% below 1Q market rents. Rent reversions in 1Q were healthy at 13% and management expects this trend to continue. Management expects <1% of early terminations from tenants impacted by COVID-19. We don't expect any significant impact from mandatory 1-month base rent relief for qualifying SME tenants under the new framework.
- Impact of COVID-19 on retail and convention business. Management has provided two months' rent rebates for retail tenants (Apr and May) and, including Government support, tenants will receive a total of four months in rebates. In addition, tenants are also provided cash flow assistance by drawing down on security deposits. Despite such assistance measures, management anticipates headwinds for Suntec City mall, with occupancy levels expected to trend to low 90% from a current high 98% on potential non-renewals. However the strong positive rent reversions seen in the last few quarters should mitigate some of the weakness. Suntec Convention Centre will remain closed until 2 Aug to reduce operating costs.
- Contributions from development projects to kick in. 9 Penang Road (9PR, 30% stake), Olderfleet and 21 Harris Street will commence contributions in 2H with tenants moving in. The high occupancy levels and long WALE of these projects offer income certainty.
- Earnings Changes. We lower our FY20F DPU by 8% by mainly removing capital top-ups assumed, and tweaked up our FY21-22F DPU by 1-2%. Suntec REIT currently has a capital gain balance of SGD46m.

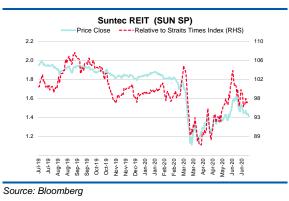
Forecasts and Valuation	Dec-18	Dec-19	Dec-20F	Dec-21F	Dec-22F
Total turnover (SGDm)	364	367	326	371	381
Net property income (SGDm)	241	236	221	239	245
Reported net profit (SGDm)	318	395	169	235	277
Total distributable income (SGDm)	254	263	267	263	221
DPS (SGD)	0.10	0.09	0.08	0.09	0.09
DPS growth (%)	(0.2)	(5.3)	(18.1)	16.8	1.9
P/B (x)	0.67	0.67	0.68	0.68	0.68
Dividend Yield (%)	7.1	6.7	5.5	6.4	6.5
Return on average equity (%)	5.6	6.8	2.8	3.9	4.6
Return on average assets (%)	3.4	4.0	1.7	2.4	2.8

Source: Company data, RHB

Share Performance (%)

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	YTD	1m	3m	6m	12m
Absolute	(23.4)	(4.1)	13.7	(23.0)	(27.3)
Relative	(3.3)	(6.6)	7.2	(2.9)	(4.8)
52-wk Price lov	w/high (SGD)		1.11	- 1.99





Financial Exhibits

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Asia	Financial summary	Dec-18	Dec-19	Dec-20F	Dec-21F	Dec-22F
Singapore	Recurring EPS (SGD)	0.12	0.14	0.06	0.08	0.09
Property	EPS (SGD)	0.12	0.14	0.06	0.08	0.09
Suntec REIT	DPS (SGD)	0.10	0.09	0.08	0.09	0.09
SUN SP	BVPS (SGD)	2.11	2.12	2.09	2.07	2.06
Buy	Return on average equity (%)	5.6	6.8	2.8	3.9	4.6
	Weighted avg adjusted shares (m)	2,665.87	2,776.91	2,857.16	2,891.40	2,925.83
Valuation basis	-					
Dividend Discount Model	Valuation metrics	Dec-18	Dec-19	Dec-20F	Dec-21F	Dec-22F
Key drivers	Recurring P/E (x)	11.81	9.91	23.80	17.35	14.88
i. Contribution from assets under development and	P/E (x)	11.81	9.91	23.80	17.35	14.88
new acquisitions,	P/B (x)	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7
ii. Well located assets in Singapore and Australia	FCF Yield (%)	5.4	5.7	4.0	5.1	4.6
offers resilience,	Dividend Yield (%)	7.1	6.7	5.5	6.4	6.5
iii. Attractive valuations	EV/EBITDA (x) -	11.00 -	12.01 -	13.05 -	11.85 -	11.44
(ey risks	EV/EBIT (x) -	11.06 -	12.07 -	13.05 -	11.83 -	11.47
i. Prolonged downturn from COVID-19;	Income statement (SGDm)	Dec-18	Dec-19	Dec-20F	Dec-21F	Dec-22F
ii. Rise in tenant defaults;	Total turnover	364	367	326	371	381
iii. Continued outflow of capital from REITs sector iv. Asset concentration risks.	EBITDA	190	184	168	184	191
	Depreciation and amortisation	(1)	(1)	0	0	(0)
company Profile	Operating profit	189	183	168	185	191
Suntec REIT is a REIT established with the objective of	Net interest	(72)	(81)	(98)	(101)	(102)
vesting in income-producing real estate properties	Income from associates & JVs	108	158	134	151	154
which are used primarily for retail and office purposes.	Pre-tax profit	331	411	169	235	277
	Taxation	(13)	(16)	0	0	0
	Recurring net profit	318	395	169	235	277
	Cash flow (SGDm)	Dec-18	Dec-19	Dec-20F	Dec-21F	Dec-22F
	Change in working capital	(89)	(113)	(112)	(99)	(124)
	Cash flow from operations	210	229	190	237	222
	Capex	(6)	(6)	(30)	(30)	(30)
	Cash flow from investing activities	(137)	(166)	(46)	122	125
	Bill I II	(007)	(000)	(004)	(000)	(070)
	Dividends paid	(267)	(266)	(221)	(262)	
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Figure 1: Suntec – fair value based on the Dividend Discount Model

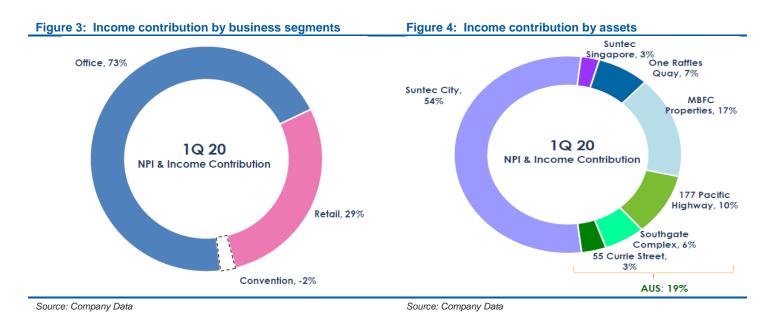
DDM	FY20F	FY21F	FY22F	FY23F	Terminal Value
DPU (SGD cents)	7.8	9.1	9.2	9.4	193.94
Fair value (SGD)	1.78				
Current price (SGD)	1.41				
Price upside (%)	26.2				
Distribution yield (%)	5.5				
Total return (%)	31.8				
Assumptions					
Risk-free rate (%)	2.8				
Beta	0.6				
Cost of equity (%)	7.0				
Terminal growth (%)	2.0				

Source: Company data, RHB

Figure 2: Office and Retail S-REITs peer comparison*

	Mkt cap (USDm)	3M-ADVT (USD '000)	Last price (LCY)	1D (%)	5D (%)	1M (%)	3M (%)	6M (%)	12M (%)	YTD (%)	vs 52W- low (%)	vs 52W- high (%)	P/B (x)	Div yield (FY-1)	Div yield (FY-2)	Yield Spread (%)	DPU Freq	Gearing/s imple ave	WALE (years)	% FY- 1	•% FY• 2
REITs (41)	69,376	261,736		(0.2)	(2.0)	(0.3)	15.5	(9.7)	(6.0)	(9.7)	46.5	(19.9)	1.1	5.5	6.1	4.6		36.4%	5.5		
Office (4)	11,652	45,911		(1.1)	(3.5)	(1.9)	12.0	(18.5)	(21.6)	(18.5)	34.2	(25.7)	0.80	5.4	5.9	4.5		38.0%			
CapitaLand Commercial Trust	4,671	20,678	1.69	(1.2)	(4.5)	(3.4)	10.5	(15.1)	(22.1)	(15.1)	30.0	(26.8)	0.92	4.7	5.3	3.8	S	35.5%	5.8	10%	26%
Suntec REIT	2,842	17,854	1.41	(1.4)	(2.8)	(4.1)	12.8	(23.4)	(27.3)	(23.4)	35.6	(29.9)	0.66	5.7	6.4	4.8	Q	39.9%	3.26	9%	29%
Keppel REIT	2,669	6,562	1.10	0.0	(0.9)	2.8	15.8	(11.3)	(12.7)	(11.3)	39.2	(14.7)	0.82	5.5	5.5	4.5	Q	36.2%	4.7	5%	16%
OUE Commercial Trust	1,470	817	0.38	(2.6)	(6.2)	(1.3)	8.6	(32.7)	(24.8)	(32.7)	35.7	(33.9)	0.62	6.8	7.4	5.9	S	40.2%	2.4	14%	29%
Retail (6)	14,701	71,867		0.1	(3.4)	(1.9)	9.2	(20.2)	(16.7)	(20.2)	35.0	(26.1)	0.96	4.9	5.8	4.0		34.3%			
CapitaLand Mall Trust	5,176	36,035	1.96	0.0	(3.4)	(3.4)	9.5	(20.3)	(25.5)	(20.3)	31.5	(28.7)	0.93	5.1	6.1	4.2	Q	33.3%	2.2	12%	29%
Mapletree Commercial Trust	4,576	21,483	1.93	0.5	(3.5)	(3.5)	5.5	(19.2)	(7.4)	(19.2)	32.2	(22.2)	1.10	4.3	4.9	3.4	S	33.3%	2.6	19%	27%
SPH REIT	1,728	1,834	0.88	1.2	(1.1)	5.4	13.6	(18.2)	(18.2)	(18.2)	30.6	(24.6)	0.78	4.9	6.1	4.0	Q	29.3%	2.7	25%	17%
Frasers Centrepoint Trust	1,851	7,313	2.31	(1.7)	(3.8)	(4.9)	3.1	(17.8)	(11.2)	(17.8)	49.0	(24.8)	1.04	4.3	5.2	3.4	Q	37.4%	1.8	14%	28%
Starhill Global REIT	800	1,267	0.51	1.0	(4.7)	5.2	17.2	(29.7)	(34.2)	(29.7)	36.0	(36.3)	0.59	7.3	8.2	6.3	S	36.7%	5.7	15%	15%
Lendlease Global Commercial REIT	570	3,934	0.68	(0.7)	(4.9)	1.5	30.8	(26.9)	N.M	(26.9)	54.5	(29.2)	0.83	5.9	7.4	5.0	S	35.9%	4.9	11%	19%

*Price Close as at 30th June; Source: Bloomberg, RHB



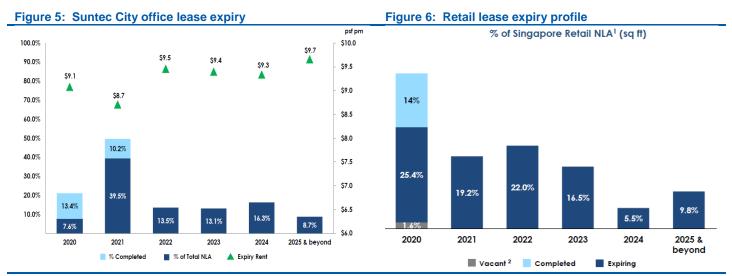


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Date	Recommendation	Target Price	Price
2020-04-02	Buy	1.78	1.20
2020-01-03	Buy	2.08	1.85
2019-06-19	Neutral	1.90	1.92
2018-04-25	Neutral	1.75	1.90

Source: RHB, Bloomberg



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