



CHAIRMAN AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE **OFFICER'S STATEMENT**



It is with great pride that Far East Consortium International Limited ("Company", together with its subsidiaries, the "Group") achieved another record year in term of financial performance following consistent growth in the last several years.

Despite government's cooling measures in number of countries where we operate, namely, Mainland China, Hong Kong and Singapore, the Group managed to generate growth in both revenue and earnings, due to the strength on diversity of our businesses. I am particularly proud that not only have we consistently created value for our shareholders, our experience and depth of knowledge in operating different regions has increased significantly. It is this hard-earned expertise that sets us apart from the competition and allows us to deliver quality products at highly competitive prices.

Our regional diversity now covers 3 continents with presence in Hong Kong, Mainland China, Malaysia, London and Australia with our focus expanding to encompass the residential market, targeting the rising middle class segment. Our residential products are designed to meet the needs of first time home buyers and young families, a growing group in the region.

Our hotel division, Dorsett Hospitality International Limited, continues to generate exciting returns, built on the attributes of the Company's strong track record and dedicated management team. With Hong Kong still leading the way as a desirable destination for China's growing middle class, I believe our focus on the three and four star segment of the market is as relevant now than ever.

While maintaining its steady growth as always by way of increase in number of self-owned car parks and car parks under management, our car park division is now expanding its scope of business into facility and building management and has obtained a number of management contracts in Australia. In the same time, the division is actively exploring opportunity to expand its operation geographically in particular in Malaysia.

Going forward, although global interest rate is likely to remain low in the near term, which will be supportive of the property market generally, the Group will remain vigilant for possible risks and shocks which could be triggered by a change in monetary and interest rate policies by central governments. We will adopt a prudent approach in balance sheet management and seek to reduce development risk by pre-selling our residential pipeline.

Standing on solid foundations that we have built over the years, I have every confidence that the Group's long-term prospects are bright. Our inherent strength will allow us to weather storms, advance our value and the growth of tomorrow. On behalf of the Group, I would like to thank all those who provide the core of our success: our shareholders, our partners, our employees and our customers.

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Chairman and Chief Executive Officer