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Credit Headlines: Courts Asia Ltd, Capitaland Commercial Trust, Capitaland Mall Trust

Market Commentary: The SGD swap curve flattened yesterday, with swap rates for the shorter tenors trading 1-3bps higher while the longer tenors traded 3bps higher. Flows in SGD corporates were heavy yesterday. In the broader dollar space, the Bloomberg Barclays Asia USD IG Bond Index average OAS traded little changed at 114bps while the Bloomberg Barclays Asia USD HY Bond Index average OAS tightened 4bps to 330bps. 10Y UST yield rose 1bps to 2.89%, as fears of potential trade wars eased.

New issues: China Minsheng Banking Corp Ltd/Hong Kong has priced a USD1bn deal across two-tranches with the USD400mn 3year FXD priced at CT3+115bps, tightening from its initial guidance of CT3+140bps area and the USD600mn 5-year FRN priced at 3mL+105bps, tightening from its initial guidance of 3mL+130bps area. Dianjian International Finance Ltd has priced a USD300mn Perp NC5 bond (guaranteed by Power Construction Corp of China) at 4.60%, tightening from its initial guidance of 4.875%. The expected issue ratings are 'NR/Baa1/BBB+'. Coastal Emerald Ltd has priced a USD200mn re-tap of its 363-day bond (guaranteed by China Shandong Hi-Speed Financial Group Ltd, keepwell provider: Shandong Hi-speed Group Co Ltd) at 4%. RCS Trust has priced a SGD275mn 7-year bond at 3.2%, in line with its initial guidance of 3.2%. Housing & Development Board has priced a SGD600mn 5-year bond at 2.303%. The expected issue ratings are 'NR/Aaa/NR'. Asciano Finance Ltd has scheduled for investor meetings from 8 Mar for its potential USD 10-year bond issuance (guaranteed by Asciano Ltd and certain other subsidiaries of Asciano. The expected issue ratings are 'BBB-/Baa3/BBB-'. Vicinity Centres has scheduled for investor meetings from 12 Mar for its potential USD/EUR bond issuance. Shinhan Bank has scheduled for investor meetings from 12-14 Mar for its potential USD bond issuance. Axis Bank Ltd has hired 10 arrangers for its potential USD bond issuance. Oversea-Chinese Banking Corp Ltd is said to issue its debut GBP Benchmark 5-year covered FRN bond.

Table 1: Key Financial Indicators

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	7-Mar	1W chg (bps)	1M chg (bps)		<u>7-Mar</u>	1W chg	1M chg
iTraxx Asiax IG	68	0	-2	Brent Crude Spot (\$/bbl)	65.19	-0.90%	-0.49%
iTraxx SovX APAC	12	-1	-1	Gold Spot (\$/oz)	1,335.54	1.31%	1.30%
iTraxx Japan	49	1	3	CRB	196.76	0.70%	2.30%
iTraxx Australia	58	0	-3	GSCI	448.22	-0.42%	1.79%
CDX NA IG	56	1	2	VIX	18.36	-1.24%	-33.79%
CDX NA HY	107	0	0	CT10 (bp)	2.855%	-0.54	1.93
iTraxx Eur Main	52	0	3	USD Swap Spread 10Y (bp)	2	0	0
iTraxx Eur XO	262	-2	7	USD Swap Spread 30Y (bp)	-18	1	-2
iTraxx Eur Snr Fin	53	-1	4	TED Spread (bp)	38	5	3
iTraxx Sovx WE	20	0	1	US Libor-OIS Spread (bp)	40	0	14
iTraxx Sovx CEEMEA	33	1	-2	Euro Libor-OIS Spread (bp)	3	0	0
					<u>7-Mar</u>	1W chg	1M chg
				AUD/USD	0.779	0.36%	-0.42%
				USD/CHF	0.938	0.70%	0.63%
				EUR/USD	1.241	1.79%	1.21%
				USD/SGD	1.317	0.58%	0.61%
Korea 5Y CDS	48	-2	-3	DJIA	24,884	-2.07%	-0.04%
China 5Y CDS	55	0	-4	SPX	2,728	-0.59%	1.73%
Malaysia 5Y CDS	62	1	0	MSCI Asiax	724	-0.63%	1.62%
Philippines 5Y CDS	64	1	1	HSI	30,511	-1.08%	0.62%
Indonesia 5Y CDS	86	1	0	STI	3,468	-1.41%	2.50%
Thailand 5Y CDS	40	-1	-2	KLCI	1,848	-0.42%	0.64%
				JCI	6,500	-1.50%	-0.53%

Source: OCBC, Bloomberg

Table 2: Recent Asian New Issues

r	<u>Date</u>	<u>Issuer</u>	Ratings	Size	<u>Tenor</u>	Pricing
.	6-Mar-18	Housing & Development Board	'NR/Aaa/NR'	SGD600mn	5-year	2.303%
f	6-Mar-18	RCS Trust	'A-/NR/NR'	SGD275mn	7-year	3.2%
.	6-Mar-18	Coastal Emerald Ltd	'NR/A3/A'	USD200mn	HERINT 3.9%'19	99.905+accrued interest
r	6-Mar-18	Dianjian International Finance Ltd	'NR/Baa1/BBB+'	USD300mn	Perp NC5	4.60%
۱ ۱	6-Mar-18	China Minsheng Banking Corp Ltd (HK)	'BBB-/NR/NR'	USD600mn	5-year	3mL+105bps
Ц	6-Mar-18	China Minsheng Banking Corp Ltd (HK)	'BBB-/NR/NR'	USD400mn	3-year	CT3+115bps
:	5-Mar-18	Country Garden Holdings Co Ltd	'NR/NR/BBB-'	CNH950mn	3NC2	5.80%
ן ג	5-Mar-18	The Korea Development Bank	'AA/Aa2/AA-'	USD500mn	5-year	CT5+85bps
۱ ۱	5-Mar-18	The Korea Development Bank	'AA/Aa2/AA-'	USD500mn	3-year	3mL+55bps
	5-Mar-18	China Minmetals Corporation	'NR/Baa1/NR'	USD400mn	Perp NC May 2021	4.45%
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Rating Changes: S&P has downgraded the long-term corporate credit and senior unsecured debt ratings for Ricoh Co Ltd to 'BBB+' from 'A-' and the long-term corporate rating on Ricoh Finance Corp. The outlooks are stable. The rating action reflects S&P's view that Ricoh is likely to stage a weaker recovery in profitability than S&P has assumed despite its restructuring efforts, centering on cost reductions amid harsh business conditions. S&P has placed AXA Group on CreditWatch with negative implications on its 'AA' long-term issuer credit and placed its 'A+' long term rating on AXA Bank Belgium on CreditWatch with negative implications. The rating action reflects S&P's view that AXA's plan to acquire XL Group Ltd could materially weaken AXA's capital adequacy, as per their definition, if AXA fails to successfully deconsolidate its U.S life and AM operations in the coming years. Fitch has placed the ratings of XLIT Ltd on Rating Watch Positive. The rating action follows the announcement that XL has entered into an agreement to be acquired by AXA SA at a purchase price 1.5x XL's book value as of 31 Dec 2017 and a 33% premium to XL's common share price on 2 Mar 2018.

Credit Headlines:

Courts Asia Ltd ("COURTA"): COURTA announced a consent solicitation exercise to revise several covenants. This is driven by the impact from 3 new accounting rules (FRS 115, FRS 109 and FRS 116), which will have an impact on the balance sheet. The main changes to the covenants include (1) decreasing the threshold for minimum consolidated tangible net worth from SGD165mn to SGD120mn, (2) excluding additional finance leases as a result of the adoption of FRS 116 from the calculation of consolidated net debt (which impacts covenant on consolidated net debt to consolidated total equity ≤1.65x), (3) excluding additional finance leases and right-of-use assets as a result of the adoption of FRS 116 from the calculation of consolidated total liabilities and consolidated total assets (which impacts covenant on consolidated secured debt to consolidated total assets ≤0.65x) and (4) reduce the minimum ratio of EBITDA to interest expense from 1.75x to 1.5x. The early consent fee is 0.25% (expected deadline: 5pm on 22 Mar 2018) and the normal consent fee is 0.15% (expected deadline: 10am on 27 Mar 2018). We do not currently cover COURTA. (Company, OCBC)

Capitaland Commercial Trust ("CCT") and Capitaland Mall Trust ("CMT"): RCS Trust, which holds the asset Raffles City Singapore, has disclosed its 2017 financial results. RCS Trust is 60% owned by CCT and 40% owned by CMT. Highlights include RCS Trust reporting a revaluation gain of 2.9% to SGD3.26bn. Debt-to-assets remained stable at 34.6%. RCS Trust had also priced a SGD275mn 7-year bond at 85bps above 7Y SDSW, or 3.2%. This would likely be used to refinance the SGD250mn in short-term borrowings which RCS Trust reported. It is worth noting that RCS Trust only has unsecured borrowings (both bank debt and bonds). The slight increase in borrowings from the bond issue (assuming that the bulk of proceeds are to be used for refinancing) will have a minimum impact on RCS Trust's debt-to-asset ratio. (OCBC, Company)

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