### **Asian Credit Daily**

Friday, January 31, 2020

#### **Market Commentary**

- The SGD swap curve flattened yesterday, with the shorter tenors trading 0-5bps higher while the belly and longer tenors traded 1-5bps lower.
- The Bloomberg Barclays Asia USD IG Bond Index average OAS widened 2bps to 125bps, and the Bloomberg Barclays Asia USD HY Bond Index average OAS widened 17bps to 508bps. The HY-IG Index Spread widened 15bps to 383bps.
- Flows in SGD corporates were heavy, with flows in SLHSP 3.5%'30s, SUNSP 2.95%'27s, TMGSP 4.05%'25s and CCTSP 3.17%'24s.
- 10Y UST Yields remain mostly unchanged at 1.59%, which is a three-month low. The World Health Organisation (WHO) has declared the outbreak of the Wuhan coronavirus as a global health emergency.



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#### **Credit Summary:**

- Singapore Airlines Ltd ("SIA") | Issuer Profile: Neutral (3): SIA has announced on Facebook that it will reduce capacity on some Mainland China routes in February due to the rising coronavirus incident and subject to regulatory approval. Routes affected include those to Beijing, Shanghai, Guangzhou, Shenzhen, Chengdu, Xiamen and Chongqing. SIA earlier announced that crew would no longer stay overnight in Shanghai and Beijing as a preventative measure. Capacity cuts include other group airlines SilkAir and Scoot. We note that during SARS, SIA deferred or cancelled non-essential capital expenditure and projects, reduced capacity and managed employee expenses through retrenchments, pay cuts and extended leave to combat a sharp reduction in passenger load factor in 1QFY2014 and operating losses.
- BreadTalk Group Ltd ("BGL") | Issuer Profile: Neutral (5): BGL announced the resignation of Mr Chan Ying Jian with effect from 15 March 2020 as its Group Chief Financial Officer and Group Chief Investment Officer. Dr George Quek Meng Tong, who is the Group Executive Chairman, founder and main shareholder, has taken over the duties of the CEO. Dr Quek will also be taking over BGL's accounting, financial, treasury and tax matters after Mr Chan's resignation.

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#### **Credit Headlines**

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- Capacity cuts include other group airlines SilkAir (4 Chinese cities including Shenzhen, Xiamen, Chengdu, Chongqing) and Scoot (some flight cancellations to Guangzhou, Nanjing, Macau and Hong Kong, flights suspended to 11 mainland Chinese cities including Harbin, Hangzhou, Shenyang, Xi'an, Changsha, Nanchang, Zhengzhou, Ningbo, Jinan, Nanning and Wuxi from early February until end March 2020 and flight frequencies reduced to 8 cities including Fuzhou, Guangzhou, Haikou, Kunming, Nanjing, Qingdao, Tianjin and Macau, from 1 February to 28 March 2020).
- Per <u>SIA's FY2019 annual report</u>, revenue from East Asia comprised 52.8% of total system-wide passenger revenue by area of original sale (49% in FY2003) and 32.8% of total system-wide passenger revenue by route region (comprises routes where East Asia is the final destination for flights originating from Singapore). Passengers carried from East Asia comprised 49.3% of total systemwide passenger growth in FY2019. As a proportion of total airline operations revenue, East Asia contributed 58.8% of revenue by area of original sale. East Asia comprises Brunei, Hong Kong SAR, Indonesia, Japan, South Korea, Malaysia, People's Republic of China, Myanmar, Philippines, Thailand, Taiwan and Vietnam. As such, the coronavirus impact could become material the longer it persists.
- We note that during SARS, where the duration roughly lasted from January to July 2003, SIA deferred or cancelled non-essential capital expenditure and projects, reduced capacity and managed employee expenses through retrenchments, pay cuts and extended leave to combat a sharp reduction in passenger load factor in 1QFY2014 and operating losses. Thereafter, performance recovered sharply on a rebound in air travel in 2HFY2004 (ie: 3rd and 4th quarters of the financial year).
- The cyclicality of the airlines industry is incorporated into SIA's Neutral (3) issuer profile in view of its underlying industry exposure. Therefore we are currently maintaining our Neutral (3) issuer profile rating for now although continue to monitor developments. However as we mentioned in our <u>Singapore Credit Outlook 2020</u>, we are monitoring SIA's issuer profile for a downgrade within the next 12 months and are likely to trigger this should profitability at SIA continue to lag its expansion plans. Recent developments will test the tolerance of its credit profile and could shorten our timeframe to review our issuer profile rating unless more near term actions are implemented to limit any deterioration in SIA's net gearing. We continue to underweight the curve due to rich valuation. (Company, OCBC)

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### BreadTalk Group Ltd ("BGL") | Issuer Profile: Neutral (5)

- BGL announced the resignation of Mr Chan Ying Jian ("Mr Chan") with effect from 15 Mar 2020 as its Group Chief Financial Officer and Group Chief Investment Officer.
- This follows the profit warning announced 2 weeks ago.
- We note that recently in Aug 2019, its then CEO Mr Chu Heng Hwee also announced his resignation.
- Dr George Quek Meng Tong ("Dr Quek"), who is the Group Executive Chairman, founder and main shareholder, has taken over the duties of the CEO. Dr Quek will also be taking over BGL's accounting, financial, treasury and tax matters after Mr Chan's resignation.
- With Dr Quek in direct control of BGL, we will continue to monitor if BGL will be announcing any strategic shift going forward. (Company, OCBC)

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#### **Key Market Movements**

|                       | 31-Jan | 1W chg<br>(bps) | 1M chg<br>(bps) |                           | 31-Jan   | 1W chg    | 1M chg   |
|-----------------------|--------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------------------|----------|-----------|----------|
| iTraxx Asiax IG       | 59     | 5               | 6               | Brent Crude Spot (\$/bbl) | 59.40    | -2.13%    | -10.00%  |
| iTraxx SovX APAC      | 31     | 3               | 4               | Gold Spot (\$/oz)         | 1,573.05 | 0.10%     | 3.68%    |
| iTraxx Japan          | 48     | 5               | 5               | CRB                       | 171.14   | -4.14%    | -7.88%   |
| iTraxx Australia      | 53     | 3               | 7               | GSCI                      | 392.02   | -5.23%    | -10.13%  |
| CDX NA IG             | 48     | 1               | 2               | VIX                       | 15.49    | 19.34%    | 12.41%   |
| CDX NA HY             | 109    | 0               | -1              | CT10 (%)                  | 1.589%   | -9.49     | -32.85   |
| iTraxx Eur Main       | 46     | 1               | 1               |                           |          |           |          |
|                       |        |                 |                 |                           |          |           |          |
| iTraxx Eur XO         | 227    | 7               | 20              | AUD/USD                   | 0.672    | -1.68%    | -4.33%   |
| iTraxx Eur Snr Fin    | 54     | 0               | 2               | EUR/USD                   | 1.103    | 0.03%     | -1.65%   |
| iTraxx Eur Sub Fin    | 114    | 3               | 0               | USD/SGD                   | 1.362    | -0.81%    | -1.19%   |
| iTraxx Sovx WE        | 11     | 0               | 0               | AUD/SGD                   | 0.915    | 0.83%     | 3.22%    |
|                       |        |                 |                 |                           |          |           |          |
| USD Swap Spread 10Y   | -5     | 0               | -3              | ASX 200                   | 7,036    | -0.74%    | 5.26%    |
| USD Swap Spread 30Y   | -32    | -1              | -2              | DJIA                      | 28,859   | -1.03%    | 1.12%    |
| US Libor-OIS Spread   | 20     | -2              | -15             | SPX                       | 3,284    | -1.26%    | 1.64%    |
| Euro Libor-OIS Spread | 6      | -1              | 0               | MSCI Asiax                | 662      | -4.51%    | -3.78%   |
|                       |        |                 |                 | HSI                       | 26,758   | -5.59%    | -5.08%   |
| China 5Y CDS          | 42     | 5               | 11              | STI                       | 3,181    | -1.67%    | -1.31%   |
| Malaysia 5Y CDS       | 42     | 4               | 7               | KLCI                      | 1,552    | -1.46%    | -2.34%   |
| Indonesia 5Y CDS      | 68     | 5               | 6               | JCI                       | 6,058    | -3.07%    | -3.84%   |
| Thailand 5Y CDS       | 26     | 4               | 3               | EU Stoxx 50               | 3,691    | -1.23%    | -1.45%   |
| Australia 5Y CDS      | 18     | 1               | 1               |                           |          | Source: B | loomberg |

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#### **New Issues**

There were no new issues or mandates.

| Date      | Issuer                                      | Size             | Tenor                  | Pricing              |
|-----------|---|------------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| 29-Jan-20 | Suntec REIT MTN Pte. Ltd                    | SGD200mn         | 7-year                 | 2.95%                |
| 23-Jan-20 | Westpac Banking Corp                        | USD1.5bn         | 10NC5                  | T+135bps             |
| 22-Jan-20 | Cyprus Investments, Inc.                    | USD140mn         | 3-year                 | 3m-US<br>LIBOR+90bps |
| 21-Jan-20 | Scenery Journey Ltd                         | USD2bn<br>USD2bn | 3.75-year<br>2.75-year | 12.0%<br>11.5%       |
| 21-Jan-20 | Helenbergh China Holdings Limited           | USD250mn         | HLBCHN<br>12.875%'21s  | 12.25%               |
| 21-Jan-20 | ReNew Power Pvt Ltd                         | USD450mn         | 5.5-year-WAL           | 5.875%               |
| 21-Jan-20 | Swire Pacific MTN Financing (HK)<br>Limited | USD500mn         | 10-year                | T+120bps             |
| 21-Jan-20 | Korea South-East Power Co Ltd               | USD300mn         | 5-year                 | T+62.5bps            |
| 21-Jan-20 | Shangri-La Hotel Limited                    | SGD250mn         | 10-year                | 3.5%                 |
| 20-Jan-20 | Dafa Properties Group Limited               | USD200mn         | 364-day                | 12.75%               |
| 20-Jan-20 | RongXingDa Development (BVI) Limited        | USD300mn         | 364-day                | 8.875%               |
| 20-Jan-20 | Socam Development Ltd                       | USD180mn         | 2-year                 | 6.25%                |
| 20-Jan-20 | Sunshine 100 China Holdings Ltd             | USD150mn         | SUNCHN 11.5%'21s       | 12.5%                |
| 20-Jan-20 | Dexin China Holdings Company Limited        | USD200mn         | 2.25-year              | 13%                  |
| 20-Jan-20 | Global Prime Capital Pte. Ltd               | USD300mn         | 5NC3                   | 5.95%                |
| 20-Jan-20 | Wanda Properties Overseas Ltd.              | USD400mn         | 3.5-year               | 6.875%               |
| 20-Jan-20 | Thomson Medical Group Limited               | SGD175mn         | 5-year                 | 4.05%                |

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