

Croesus Retail Trust

Rental uplift at Mallage Shobu to drive yield performance

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Highlights

- Transformation of Mallage Shobu to drive rental growth
- Strong fundamentals and Japan's promising macro-environment to sustain high dividend yield
- Maintain BUY with TP\$1.08

What is the news?

We recently made a company site visit to Japan and visited 5 of the CRT's malls (One's Mall, AEON Town Moriya, Croesus Tachikawa, Luz OMORI and Mallage Shobu) to gain a better understanding of the Japan retail scene. At the same time, we also attended the Grand Renewal Ceremony at Mallage Shobu on 28 March 2015 and experienced the hustle and bustle of the mall after the tenant renewal and asset enhancement exercise. An overall positive rental reversion of double digit growth is expected for the revamped Mallage Shobu. We maintain a BUY rating for CRT with DDM-based TP\$1.08.

New outlook for Mallage Shobu - Mallage Shobu is currently undergoing a major tenant renewal exercise with 155 out of 242 tenants leases expired in 2015. Out of these 155, there are 69 new brand additions, 28 tenant relocations and 58 renewed leases. As the mall was in opened in 2008 during the Global Financial Crisis and the expiring leases were contracted at a suppressed rental rate compared to the current market, most of the renewed or new leases are contracted at a significant higher rate. The rent upside varies, depending on store locations or brands. Concurrently, CRT's team took the opportunity to enhance the tenant mix with the introduction of well-known brands such as KOE (a popular fashion apparel brand launched in 2014), MUJI (an internationally renowned household and consumer goods retailer) and Toys 'R' Us to attract various visitor age groups in the vicinity. From what we observed, Mallage Shobu was enjoying a healthy crowd with its 6000-lots car park nearly full when we arrived. The visitor's footfall count is estimated at 20,000 daily (weekday) and 50,000 daily (weekends). Beside higher fixed rental base, most of the new leases' rental structure includes a GTO component. The trustee manager anticipates the overall rental growth to be 12-15% for the mall upon the completion of tenant renewal in September 2015.

Potential growth driver from One's Mall - CRT acquired One's Mall in October 2014 with an initial NPI yield of 5.8% and an occupancy rate of 99.3%. The current passing rent for the mall is estimated to be 20-30% lower than the average market passing rent. The average WALE of the mall is about five years and the major tenants are Daiei, Central Sports, Toys 'R' Us, Nitori and Sports Depo. Per our understanding, the mall has a sizeable catchment of 300K-400K residential population. Given that major tenants are occupying 80% of the NLA, there is room for rental upside should the mall undergo asset enhancement initiative to increase the individual tenant base. A change in tenant mix to offer more services and products could definitely draw a larger crowd, thus driving for higher rental income.

Investment Actions

We continue to favour CRT for its resilient income from its balanced mix of suburban and urban malls portfolio, sustainable high yield of 8% and value appreciation of portfolio from continual cap rate compression. Reiterate a BUY rating with DDM-based TP\$ 1.08.

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BUY (Maintain)

TOTAL RETURN	23.4%
TARGET PRICE	SGD 1.08
FORECAST DIV	SGD 0.08
CLOSING PRICE	SGD 0.940

COMPANY DATA

O/S SHARES (MN):	516
MARKET CAP (USD mn / SGD mn):	359 / 485
52 - WK HI/LO (SGD) :	1.03 / 0.88
3M Average Daily T/O (mn):	0.61

TOP FIVE SHAREHOLDERS (%)

TARGET ASSET MGMT PTE LTD	7.5%
DBSBANKLTD	6.5%
AR CAPITAL PTELTD	4.7%

PRICE PERFORMANCE (%)

	1M TH	3 M T H	1Y R
COMPANY	(0.5)	4.3	15.9
STIRETURN	1.70	2.81	11.58

PRICE VS. STI



Source: Bloomberg, PSR

KEY FINANCIALS

JPY MN	FY 14	FY 15F	FY 16 F	FY17F
Revenue	6,261	7,499	8,332	8,625
EBIDTA	3,531	4,184	4,536	4,701
NPAT (adj.)	3,180	3,411	3,736	3,984
EPS (adj.)	5.20	5.02	5.79	6.30
PER, x (adj.)	15.0	16.8	14.5	13.3
P/BV,x	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.1
DPS (SG cents)	9.0	8.1	7.7	7.7
Div Yield, %	8%	9%	8%	8%
ROE,%	15%	8%	8%	8%

Source: Bloomberg, PSR est.

Valuation Method

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One's Mall

Facade and surrounding residential houses. Right: A brand sale event at the atrium.



Lifestyle stores such as fitness centre, hobby store, furniture mall and a resting area located at the 3rd floor.



Anchor tenant supermarket and department store operator, Daiei occupies about 1/3 of the mall's NLA.





AEON Town Moriya

Left: Exterior. Middle and Right: Popular stores like DAISO, MUJI and Uniqlo in the mall.



An arcade, cinema and food court located at the 2nd floor



Croesus Tachikawa

Located beside the Tachikawa Station, Croesus Tachikawa is 100% occupied. The anchor tenant is a pachinko outlet, occupying 4 floors (30% of the NLA). Other tenants include restaurants, bank and service outlets.



Luz Omori

Located along a busy street in Ota Ward, Luz Omori is 97.2% occupied. 28.4% of NLA is leased to Ota Ward (government services). Other tenants include service outlets, restaurants and retail stores. Right: Vacant space on the 3rd floor.





Mallage Shobu

Left: Facade of the mall. Right: The 6000-lots carpark was nearly full on a weekend.



New tenants include renowned brands like KOE and MUJI. Right: Popular fashion apparel brand GU expanded its store frontage.



Mallage Shobu Grand Renewal Opening Ceremony. Left: Ribbon-cutting ceremony by Mayor of Kuki City in Saitama Prefecture and CRT's management team. Right: Guest performance by popular Japanese rap and hip-hop artist SEAMO





Financials

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Y/E Jun, JPY mn	FY14	FY15e	FY16e	FY17e
Revenue	6,261	7,499	8,332	8,625
EBITDA	3,531	4,184	4,536	4,701
Depreciation & Amortisation	-267	-55	0	0
EBIT	3,264	4,129	4,536	4,701
Net Finance (Expense)/Inc	-705	-880	-876	-730
Otheritems	3,784	743	0	0
Associates & JVs	0	0	0	0
Exceptional items	0	0	0	0
Profit Before Tax	6,343	3,991	3,660	3,972
Taxation	-1,551	-838	-659	-675
Profit After Tax	4,793	3,153	3,001	3,297
Distribution adjustments	-1,613	257	735	688
Income available for distribution	3,180	3,411	3,736	3,984

Per share data JPY

Y/E Jun, JPY mn	FY14	FY15e	FY16e	FY17e
EPS, reported	11.22	6.34	5.79	6.30
EPS, adj.	5.20	5.02	5.79	6.30
DPS (SGD Cents)	8.98	8.06	7.70	7.69
BVPS	75.8	77.8	74.9	75.3

Cash Flows

Y/E Jun, JPY mn	FY14	FY15e	FY16e	FY17e
CFO				
Profit before tax	6,343	3,991	3,660	3,972
Adjustments	-2,354	592	1,282	1,140
WC changes	-2,661	-2,378	363	110
Cash generated from ops	1,328	2,205	5,305	5,222
Others	-419	-1,270	-1,315	-1,206
Cashflow from ops	909	935	3,990	4,016
CFI				
CAPEX, net	-66,053	-11,403	-122	-82
Others	0	-87	0	0
Cashflow from investments	-66,053	-11,490	-122	-82
CFF				
Share issuance	31,171	6,086	0	0
Loans, net of repayments	41,537	6,252	-600	-501
Dividends paid	-1,810	-3,150	-3,277	-3,156
Others	-3,000	-344	0	0
Cashflow from financing	67,898	8,844	-3,877	-3,657
Net change in cash	2,754	-1,711	-10	277
Effects of exchange rates	0	-7	0	0
CCE, end	2,754	1,036	1,027	1,303

Balance Sheet

Y/E Jun, JPY mn	FY14	FY15e	FY16e	FY17e
ASSETS				
Investment properties	69,870	81,621	81,743	81,825
Non-current restricted cash	2,053	3,726	3,726	3,726
Others	282	282	282	282
Total non-current assets	72,205	85,629	85,751	85,833
Cash and cash equivalent	2,754	1,036	1,027	1,303
Receivables	708	600	667	690
Current restricted cash	2,755	4,254	4,254	4,254
Others	129	405	405	405
Total current assets	6,346	6,295	6,352	6,652
Total Assets	78,551	91,923	92,103	92,485
LIABILITIES				
Short term loans	358	1,000	8,177	24,700
Trades and other payables	885	1,154	1,327	1,381
Others	681	919	919	919
Total current liabilities	1,924	3,073	10,423	27,000
Long term loans	40,244	45,690	37,913	20,888
Others	3,990	4,460	4,936	5,214
Total non-current liabilities	44,234	50,150	42,849	26,103
EQUITY				
Non-controlling interest	0	0	0	0
Shareholder Equity	32,394	38,701	38,831	39,382

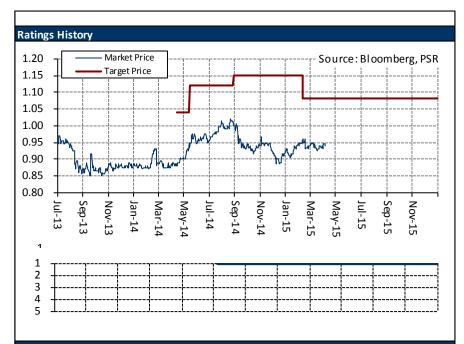
Valuation Ratios

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Y/E Jun, JPY mn	FY14	FY15e	FY16e	FY17e
P/E (X), adj.	15.0	16.8	14.5	13.3
P/B (X)	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.1
EV/EBITDA (X)	20.1	20.9	19.5	18.8
Dividend Yield (%)	8.2%	8.6%	8.2%	8.2%
Growth & Margins (%)				
Growth				
Revenue	NA	19.8%	11.1%	3.5%
EBITDA	NA	18.5%	8.4%	3.6%
EBIT	NA	26.5%	9.9%	3.6%
Net Income, adj.	NA	7.3%	9.5%	6.6%
Margins				
EBITDA margin	56.4%	55.8%	54.4%	54.5%
EBIT margin	52.1%	55.1%	54.4%	54.5%
Net Profit Margin	76.5%	42.0%	36.0%	38.2%
Key Ratios				
ROE (%)	14.8%	8.1%	7.7%	8.4%
ROA (%)	6.1%	3.4%	3.3%	3.6%
Net Debt/(Cash)	37,848	45,653	45,063	44,285
Net Gearing (X)	48%	50%	49%	48%

Source: Company Data, PSR est

^{*}Forward multiples and yields are based on current market price; historical multiples and yields are based on historical market price.





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Recommendation	Rating
Buy	1
Accumulate	2
Neutral	3
Reduce	4
Sell	5
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