# **J-REIT Monthly**

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### 1. J-REIT Market Monthly Review (for May 2015)

In May 2015, the TSE REIT Index (with dividends) sagged 0.3% MoM on a rise in 10yr. JGB yields.

In the first half of the month, higher 10 yr. JGB yield weighed on the REIT market as global bond yields spiked led by higher German bond yields. For the second half of the month, the REIT index recovered on the equity market rally. However, the upside of the index came under pressure on anxieties about supply-demand balance after PO announcements. April office vacancy rate of office buildings in Tokyo Central 5 wards reported a slight increase on May 14th, while average rent improved on upbeat leasing contracts for existing buildings.

The BOJ decreased its purchase of J-REITs to JPY4.8bn in this month from JPY9.6bn in the previous month.

#### 2. TSE REIT Index (with dividends)



TSE REIT Index	As of 29-May-15	1week ago 22-May-15		3months ago 28-Feb-15	6months ago 30-Nov-14	1year ago 31-May-14	3years ago 31-May-12
Index	3,257.97	3,247.98	3,267.36	3,306.03	3,139.72	2,645.27	1,439.82
%change	-	0.3%	-0.3%	-1.5%	3.8%	23.2%	126.3%

Note: (1) TSE REIT Index (w/ dividends) of the last trading day of a month. 12/31/'04 = 100 (2) %chg: changes for each period.

Source: DataStream, compiled by SMAM.

### 3. Top 10 REIT Constituents in J-REIT



#### Source: DataStream, compiled by SMAM.

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4. Tokyo Office Rents and Vacancy Rates

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1. Global REIT Market Monthly Review (for May 2015)

The S&P Developed REIT Index (ex-Japan, with dividends, JPY base) rose 2.8% in May. On local currencies basis, it slightly slipped on lower U.S. and French REIT markets caused by spikes in 10yr. yields. The forex factor raised the index performance as USD/JPY soared on Fed Chair Janet Yellen's remark, suggesting the possibility of U.S. rate hike by the end of the year.

U.S. REIT market slid on a spike in bond yields whereas the economic data on housing and manufacturing improved. In Europe, the market was mixed. UK market was up after the Conservatives won majority in the general election, while French market declined on higher government bond yields. Australian market gained in favor of better-than-expected financial results in REIT companies and improved consumer confidence index.

#### Global REIT Index (in JPY) 2



As of 29-May-15	1 week ago	1month ago	3months ago	6months ago	1year ago	3years ago	Note:	
A3 01 20 May 10	22-May-15	30-Apr-15	27-Feb-15	28-Nov-14	30-May-14	31-May-12	(1) Global index: S&P Developed REIT Index (ex-Japan, in JPY)	
Global	0.8%	2.8%	-0.2%	5.5%	31.7%	130.0%	Regional indexes are components of S&P Developed REIT Index.	
North America	1.0%	3.2%	-0.8%	4.6%	33.5%	121.9%	<ul><li>(2) 6/1/'05=100 for both charts</li><li>(3) % figures in the table indicate returns for each period</li></ul>	
Europe	0.2%	1.6%	1.7%	9.3%	25.6%	175.5%	Source: FactSet, complied by SMAM.	
Asia Pacific	0.8%	2.0%	1.4%	6.8%	29.0%	130.0%		

3. Return Contribution by Factors (May '15)



Source: FactSet, complied by SMAM.

Global % Weight by Markets (May '15) 4.



Note: (1) S&P Developed REIT Index breakdown by country (ex-Japan, in JPY). (2) Contribution = Composition % weight x Monthly Return

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