# J-REIT Monthly May 2017



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# 1. J-REIT Market Monthly Review (for April 2017)

In April 2017, the TSE REIT Index (with dividends) dropped 2.2% MoM and moved on a bearish tone due to uncertainty of overseas environment such as increasing geopolitical risk and political instability in Europe.

The J-REIT market declined in the first half of the month affected by mounting geopolitical risks linked to North Korea. In the latter half of the month, North Korea remained calm, but the J-REIT market only rebounded temporary and the market upside was heavy. Despite BOJ's decision to maintain its current monetary easing policy on 27th April, the market did not react much and ended on a weak tone due to expectations on rise in interest rates. By sector, commercial logistics sector outperformed driven by logistics centers REITs.

April office vacancy rate in Tokyo five central wards improved to 3.60% at the lowest level in the last nine years. Rents are continuously increasing and robust business environment remains unchanged.

In April, BoJ bought JPY9.6 bn worth of J-REITs, by eight time purchases, mainly when REITs were falling.

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



(Points) 210 205 200 195 31-Mar 7-Apr 14-Apr 21-Apr 28-Apr

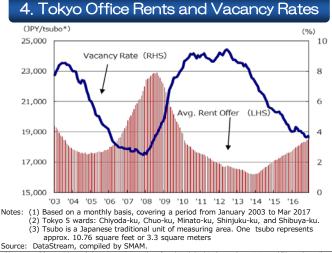
| 28-Apr-17     21-Apr-17     31-Mar-17     31-Jan-17     31-Oct-16     30-Apr-16     30-Apr-14       Index     3,234.60     3,257.31     3,307.66     3,407.69     3,269.40     3,465.54     2,520.81 | TSE REIT Index | As of     | 1week ago | 1month ago | 3months ago | 6months ago | 1year ago | 3years ago |
|--|----------------|-----------|-----------|------------|-------------|-------------|-----------|------------|
|  | ISE KEIT INDEX | 28-Apr-17 | 21-Apr-17 | 31-Mar-17  | 31-Jan-17   | 31-Oct-16   | 30-Apr-16 | 30-Apr-14  |
| % change0.7% -2.2% -5.1% -1.1% -6.7% 28.3%   | Index          | 3,234.60  | 3,257.31  | 3,307.66   | 3,407.69    | 3,269.40    | 3,465.54  | 2,520.81   |
|  | %change        | -         | -0.7%     | -2.2%      | -5.1%       | -1.1%       | -6.7%     | 28.3%      |

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

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

|         | (# of TSE REIT                                    | Index Com | ponents:58) |
|---------|---|-----------|-------------|
|         | REIT  | CODE      | Weight (%)  |
| 1       | NIPPON BUILDING FUND                              | J8951     | 7.4         |
| 2       | JAPAN REAL ESTATE INV.                            | J8952     | 7.1         |
| 3       | NOMURA RLST. MASTER FUND                          | J3462     | 5.9         |
| 4       | JAPAN RET.FD.INV.                                 | J8953     | 5.3         |
| 5       | UNITED URB.INV.                                   | J8960     | 4.7         |
| 6       | ORIX JREIT  | J8954     | 4.3         |
| 7       | DAIWA HOUSE REIT INV.                             | J8984     | 3.8         |
| 8       | NIPPON PROLOGIS REIT                              | J3283     | 3.6         |
| 9       | ADVANCE RESIDENCE INV.                            | J3269     | 3.5         |
| 10      | JAPAN PRIME REALTY INV.                           | J8955     | 3.4         |
|         | Others  |           | 50.9        |
|         | Total   |           | 100.0       |
| Source: | DataStream, compiled by SMAM (As of the end of Ap |           |             |

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## 1. Global REIT Market Monthly Review (for April 2017)

The S&P Developed REIT Index (ex-Japan, with dividends, USD base) gained 1.0% in April. On a local currency basis, the REIT return rose 0.9% and the Forex return improved 0.1%.

The US REIT market rose until the middle of the month due to downward trend in US interest rates underpinned by concerns over geopolitical risks surrounding Syria and North Korea. However, towards the end of the month, the US REIT market turned to decline due to rise in US interest rates led by reduction in political risks in Europe. The European REIT markets advanced in favor of (i) growing expectation of ECB to continue accommodative monetary policy, and (ii) low possibility of Marine Le Pen, the leader of the National Front (FN), the far-right political party in France to win the second round of French Presidential Election following the first round results. The Australian REIT market went up supported by receded risk-off sentiment of the market.

Regarding the Forex factor, EUR and GBP advanced against JPY, while AUD weakened against JPY.

### 2. Global REIT Index (in USD)

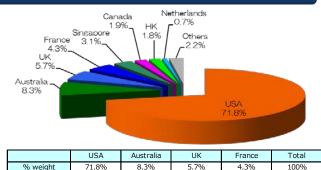
[Global (1 Jun'05 – end Apr'17)] (Points) (Points) [Regional (end Mar '17 – end Apr '17)] (%) 250 12 S&P Dvlp'd REIT Idx (LHS) 270 Global ——North America ——Europe —— Asia Pacific Yield (%, RHS) 10 200 250 230 8 150 210 100 6 190 170 50 4 150 2 0 130 – 31-Mai 7-Apr 14-Apr '05 '06 '07 '08 '09 '12 21-Ap 28-Apr '10 '11 '13 '14 '15 '16 1month ago 31-Mar-17 1year ago 3years ago 30-Apr-14 1 week ago 3month ago 6month ago As of 28 April 2017 (1) Global index: S&P Developed REIT Index (ex-Japan, in USD) 21-Apr-17 31-Jan-17 31-Oct-16 29-Apr-16 (2) 6/1/'05=100 for both charts Global 3.9% 23.0% -18% 10% 28% 499 (3) % figures in the table indicate returns for each period North America -2.9% 0.0% 0.9% 3.79 5.29 27.39 Source: FactSet, complied by SMAM. Europe 10.79 -6.09 3.79 6.79 11.4% -0.2% Asia Pacific 1.09 1.39 5.89 6.79

3. Return Contribution by Factors (Apr'17)



Note: Total-return breakdown of S&P Developed REIT Index (in USD) by forex and market factors, by countries.

## 4. Global % Weight by Markets (Apr'17)



Note: (1) S&P Developed REIT Index breakdown by country (ex-Japan, in USD). (2) Contribution is calculated by multiplying each country's % weight by Monthly Return Source: FactSet, complied by SMAM.

8.4%

0.5%

5.2%

0.2%

1.0%

0.6%

0.1%

#### Source: FactSet, complied by SMAM.

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Monthly Return

Contribution

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