

**EASTSPRING INVESTMENTS BERHAD DECLARES INCOME DISTRIBUTION FOR 3 FUNDS**

**27 December 2016, Kuala Lumpur** - Eastspring Investments Berhad today announced the gross income distribution for three of its existing funds namely the Eastspring Investments Small-cap Fund, Eastspring Investments Balanced Fund and Eastspring Investments Bond Fund (collectively referred to as “Funds”):

Fund	Financial Year End	Gross Distribution Per Unit (sen)	Dividend Yield (based on net asset value per unit on 15 November 2016)	Type of Distribution
Eastspring Investments Small-cap Fund	31 December	3.38	5.00%	Incidental
Eastspring Investments Balanced Fund	31 December	4.44	4.50%	Annual
Eastspring Investments Bond Fund	31 December	2.72	4.00%	Annual

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All unit holders who have maintained their unit holdings in the Funds as at 23 December 2016 will be entitled to the income distribution.

**Eastspring Investments Small-cap Fund** aims to provide investors with maximum capital appreciation by investing principally in small market capitalisation companies which will appreciate in value.

**Eastspring Investments Balanced Fund** aims to provide investors with capital appreciation and a reasonable level of current income\* by investing in a mixed portfolio of companies with good dividend yield and low price volatility and a portfolio of investment grade fixed income securities.

**Eastspring Investments Bond Fund** aims to provide investors with a steady stream of income\* returns by investing principally in a portfolio of investment grade fixed income securities with exposure in non-investment grade fixed income securities which yield above average returns.

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\* Income distributed to a unit holder will be reinvested into additional units unless unit holder opts for the distribution to be paid out.

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“We expect global markets to end the year on an optimistic note, especially during this transition period for the US President Elect. Already we are seeing some snippets of the US President Elect’s stance on foreign policy. Malaysia’s blossoming relationship with China will likely have a bigger influence on the construction and property sector in the months to come – although the ultimate multiplier effect on the Malaysian economy has yet to be determined. The higher crude oil prices will help provide some relief to the government’s fiscal balance. However with consumer the resilient driver of growth, a sharply weaker ringgit will have a negative impact on disposable incomes as much of our food and beverage items are imported. We remain relatively cautious, looking for opportunity to accumulate fundamentally sound stocks on weakness”, said Yvonne Tan, Director, Fund Management, Eastspring Investments Berhad.

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### ABOUT EASTSPRING INVESTMENTS

Eastspring Investments is a leading asset manager in Asia that manages over US\$140 billion assets (as at 30 June 2016) on behalf of institutional and retail clients. Operating in Asia since 1994 in 10 major markets plus offices in North America and Europe. Eastspring Investments is the Asian asset management business of Prudential plc, one of the world’s largest financial services companies.

### ABOUT EASTSPRING INVESTMENTS BERHAD

Established in 2000 and based in Kuala Lumpur, Eastspring Investments Berhad is one of the leading asset management companies in Malaysia in both institutional and retail, with about RM33.5 billion in assets under management in the country as at 30 June 2016. It manages unit trust funds, wholesale funds as well as private mandates.

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Investors are advised to read and understand the contents of the Eastspring Investments Master Prospectus dated 15 July 2016 and the Eastspring Investments First Supplementary Master Prospectus dated 24 November 2016 (collectively, the “Prospectuses”), as well as the Funds’ Product Highlights Sheet (“PHS”) before investing. The Prospectuses and PHS are available at offices of Eastspring Investments Berhad or its authorised distributors and investors have the right to request for a copy of the Prospectuses and PHS.

The Prospectuses have been registered with the Securities Commission Malaysia who takes no responsibility for its contents. Units will only be issued upon receipt of the application form accompanying the Prospectuses. Past performance of the Funds is not an indication of the Funds’ future performance. Unit prices and distribution payable, if any, may go down as well as up. Where a unit split/distribution is declared, investors are advised that following the issue of additional units/distribution, the Net Asset Value (“NAV”) per unit will be reduced from pre-unit split NAV/cum-distribution NAV to post-unit split NAV/ex-distribution NAV. Where a unit split is declared, investors are advised that the value of their investment in Malaysian Ringgit will remain unchanged after the issue of the additional units.

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Investments in the Funds are exposed to the following risks:-

Funds	Principal Risks
Eastspring Investments Small-cap Fund	Security risk
Eastspring Investments Balanced Fund	Security risk, credit or default risk and interest rate risk
Eastspring Investments Bond Fund	Credit or default risk and interest rate risk

Investors are advised to consider these risks and other general risks as elaborated in the Prospectuses as well as fees, charges and expenses involved before investing.

All fees, charges and expenses payable by the unit holder are subject to Goods and Services Tax ("GST") at a rate of 6% or such other prescribed rate as may be imposed from time to time, and incurred by the unit holder directly when purchasing or redeeming units of the Funds and indirectly when investing in the Funds. The fees, charges and expenses disclosed are exclusive of GST or any other taxes or duties that may be imposed by the government or other authorities from time to time.

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