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## iFAST Recognises Top Advisers in "iFAST Wealth Advisers Awards 2014"

28 February 2014, Hong Kong – iFAST Financial (HK) Limited ("iFAST Financial") announced the winners for "iFAST Wealth Advisers Awards 2014" at Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre on 27 February 2014, to honour the outstanding wealth advisory companies and independent wealth advisers in 2013.

As an annual flagship event, the "iFAST Wealth Advisers Awards" aims to recognise the impressive performance of wealth advisory companies and praiseworthy individuals for exceling in sales, client service and exemplary business practices in the wealth management industry. With the newly-added "Top New Platform Adopter" category, the Awards have altogether nine categories this year, including eight corporate awards (Table 1) and one individual award (Table 2). With over 200 participants attending the Awards ceremony, the event celebrated the efforts of wealth advisers in the past year, and provided a rare opportunity for winning advisers to share their best practices and achievements.

"Thanks to over 500 active wealth advisers using our investment platforms, our sales grew almost 60% year-on-year in 2013," expresses Mr. Patrick Ho, Managing Director of iFAST Financial (HK) Limited. "We are proud to congratulate the winners, who represent the cream of the crop in the industry, and the awards is a testament to their commitment towards growing the wealth management industry in Hong Kong."

Mr. Kelvin Yip, General Manager of Platform Services (HK), iFAST Financial (HK) Limited says, "We are glad that clients at home and from around the world are now able to enjoy the brilliant services provided by award-winning wealth advisers, who excel in managing family trusts, corporate pensions as well as funds of funds. As the demand for direct fund platforms continues to grow, the iWAA Awards serve as a benchmark for identifying excellent financial institutions and wealth advisers that are trustworthy for investors to entrust their valuable assets."

Table 1: iFAST Wealth Advisory Companies of the Year

| Award                    | Company                          |
|--------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Top Account Acquisitions | Calibre Asset Management Limited |



| Top Bond Sales                      | Centaline Wealth Management Limited   |
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| Top CIES Sales                      | Centaline Wealth Management Limited   |
| Top Equity Fund Sales               | Calibre Asset Management Limited      |
| Top Fixed Income Fund Sales         | RHB OSK Securities Hong Kong Limited  |
| Top Incremental Assets Under Advice | Harris Fraser (International) Limited |
| Top New Platform Adopter            | Noah Holdings (Hong Kong) Limited     |
| Top RSP Sales                       | The Fry Group (HK) Limited            |

Table 2: iFAST Wealth Advisers of the Year

| Adviser                 | Company                                   |
|-------------------------|---|
| Juliana Lam Wang Key    | Calibre Asset Management Limited          |
| Michelle Hong Sin Kee   | Calibre Asset Management Limited          |
| Michelle Chai           | Haitong International Consultants Limited |
| Andy Lam Wai Hung       | Harris Fraser (International) Limited     |
| Edmond Mak Ngai Man     | Harris Fraser (International) Limited     |
| Tian Hao                | Noah Holdings (Hong Kong) Limited         |
| Tian Tian               | Noah Holdings (Hong Kong) Limited         |
| Sexton Angus John       | Ord Minnett Hong Kong Limited             |
| Jacky Chang Chih Hsiung | Paochu Investment Advisory Limited        |
| Tobee Chow Chui Shan    | South China Securities Limited            |

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iFAST Financial (HK) Limited ("iFAST HK"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of iFAST Corporation Private Limited ("iFAST Corp"), is the service provider of iFAST Central Platform ("iFAST Central") in Hong Kong. iFAST Central is a transaction recording, portfolio valuation and reporting service for financial advisers and their clients.

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iFAST Corporation's major corporate shareholders are SPH AsiaOne Ltd, the Internet arm of Singapore Press Holdings, Singapore's largest media group; and DMG & Partners Securities Pte Ltd, a joint venture between RHB Investment Bank Berhad (a subsidiary of RHB Capital Berhad) and Deutsche Asia Pacific Holdings Pte Ltd (a subsidiary of the Deutsche Bank Group).

iFAST HK's sister company, iFAST Financial Pte Ltd of Singapore, is Singapore's leading online distributor of mutual funds (fundsupermart.com.sg) as well as the leading operator of an investment platform for financial



advisers and financial institutions. It carries the Capital Markets Services (CMS) License and Financial Adviser (FA) License issued by the Monetary Authority of Singapore (MAS), and is also one of three appointed Central Provident Board (CPF) Investment Administrator.

iFAST expanded into its first overseas market in 2007 with its entry in the Hong Kong market. In 2009, iFAST further grew its presence in Hong Kong's platform business by buying over ING's I-WRAP platform. In 2008, iFAST expanded into the Malaysia market. In 2009, iFAST Financial India Pvt Ltd launched its operations in India.

In November 2013, iFAST Financial HK platform won "Outstanding Achiever – Investment Platform Independent" with Fundsupermart.com (HK) named winner of the "Best in class" award for "Online Usability Independent" at the Wealth Management Awards 2013 organised by Benchmark Management Awards. In February 2014, Fundsupermart.com (HK) is named "Excellent Brand of Online Fund Investment Platform" at the Hong Kong Leaders' Choice 2014 organised by Metro Finance and Metro Finance Digital.