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## **Hysan Exhibits Highly Ranked Corporate Governance Practices in FTSE ISS Corporate Governance Index**

Hysan Development Company Limited (Hysan) has scored high marks in the FTSE ISS Corporate Governance Index (CGI) Series created by global index provider FTSE Group, and corporate governance specialists Institutional Shareholder Services (ISS) to assist institutional investors assess the impact a company's corporate governance practices may have on portfolio performance.

Over 2,200 companies from 24 countries in the FTSE Developed and FTSE All-Share Indexes have been rated based on five themes of corporate governance – Board Structure, Equity Structure, Compensation, Audit and Ownership Structure. The ratings are based on publicly disclosed information and are updated on a regular basis and accessible by companies through a web site provided by ISS. On a 1- to 5-point scale, Hysan has an overall CGI rating of 5, indicating a high standard of corporate governance practice. The Group is the third highest rated company in Hong Kong.

Peter T.C. Lee, Chairman of Hysan said, “We aim to be a responsible business. In this respect, we strive to maintain a high standard of corporate governance as an important part of our business practice. We are pleased that the Board's belief and guidance in achieving good corporate governance have again been recognised.”

“FTSE Group is actively involved in the corporate responsibility debate. We are committed to working with investors, companies and other interested parties to develop and encourage corporate responsible behaviour which enhances shareholder value,” said Mark Makepeace, Chief Executive, FTSE Group.

“CGI is a unique investment tool that helps institutional investors manage risk and drive value by leveraging corporate governance as a factor in portfolio management,” said Stanley Dubiel, ISS' managing director of international research. “We applaud companies that work hard to align their corporate governance practices with shareholder interests.”

Hysan has in place a Statement of Corporate Governance Policy which gives guidance on how corporate governance principles are applied to the Group. In addition to complying with applicable statutory requirements, the Group aims to continually review and enhance its corporate governance practices in light of local and international best practices. Over the years, the Group has received recognitions from a number of professional and industry bodies for its high standards of corporate governance.

Hysan Development is a leading property investment, management and development company in Hong Kong, with a major portfolio in high-quality office, retail and residential properties. It is the largest commercial landlord in the prime office/retail Causeway Bay district.

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This press release and other corporate information can also be found at: [www.hysan.com.hk](http://www.hysan.com.hk) or [www.irasia.com/listco/hk/hysan/index.htm](http://www.irasia.com/listco/hk/hysan/index.htm)

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