

## For immediate release

## APPOINTMENT OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

**Singapore, 27 August 2013** - The Board of FSL Trust Management Pte Ltd is pleased to announce that Alan Hatton has been appointed CEO of FSL Trust with immediate effect.

Alan Hatton joins FSL Trust from FR8 where he has been CEO since 2008. He joined FR8 as CFO in 2007 and has significant commercial shipping experience including negotiating and executing time charters, sale & purchase deals and risk management strategies. Previously, Alan was an investment banker working in Mergers & Acquisitions and Corporate Finance for Lazard and Dresdner Kleinwort in London. Alan has an M.Sc. and B.Sc. from the London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE).

--ends--

## About First Ship Lease Trust (Bloomberg: FSLT SP; Reuters: FSLT.SI; OTCQX: FSHPY)

First Ship Lease Trust ("FSL Trust" or the "Trust") is a provider of leasing services on a long-term bareboat charter basis to the international shipping industry. The Trust has a diversified portfolio of 25 modern and high quality vessels, comprising seven containerships, eleven product tankers, three chemical tankers, two crude oil tankers and two dry bulk carriers.

FSL Trust is managed by FSL Trust Management Pte. Ltd., the trustee-manager. The trustee-manager aims to grow and diversify the Trust's portfolio through accretive acquisitions of vessels with leases, to increase predictable cashflow generation and to provide regular cash distributions to unitholders of the Trust.

FSL Trust is listed on the main board of the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited (SGX-ST) and its American Depository Receipts (ADRs) are quoted on the PrimeQX tier of International OTCQX. FSL Trust is a component stock of the FTSE ST Maritime Index and the MSCI Global Micro Cap index.

This news release may contain forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties. Actual future performance, outcomes and results may differ materially from those expressed in forward-looking statements as a result of a number of risks, uncertainties and assumptions. Representative examples of these factors include (without limitation) general industry and economic conditions, interest rate trends, cost of capital and capital availability, competition from other companies, changes in operating expenses, trust expenses and governmental and public policy changes and the continued availability of financing in the amounts and the terms necessary to support future business. Investors are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which are based on the current view of management on future events.