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# AsiaInfo Technologies Limited

亞信科技控股有限公司

(Incorporated in the British Virgin Islands with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 1675)

# PROPOSALS FOR GENERAL MANDATES TO ISSUE SHARES AND REPURCHASE SHARES, RE-ELECTION OF RETIRING DIRECTORS, RE-APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR, DECLARATION OF FINAL DIVIDEND AND NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The AGM of AsiaInfo Technologies Limited will be held at AsiaInfo Plaza, Dong Qu, 10 Xibeiwang Dong Lu, Haidian District, Beijing, PRC at 10 a.m. on Friday, 28 May 2021. The notice of the AGM is set out on pages 17 to 22 of this circular.

The proxy form is enclosed in this circular. Whether or not you are able to attend the AGM, you are advised to complete the proxy form in accordance with the instructions printed thereon and return it to the Hong Kong share registrar of the Company, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, at 17M Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong, as soon as possible and in any event not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for the holding of the AGM. Completion and return of the proxy form will not preclude shareholders from attending and voting in person at the AGM if they so wish.

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# DEFINITIONS

In this circular, unless the context otherwise requires, the following expressions have the following meanings:

"AGM"	the annual general meeting of the Company to be held at AsiaInfo Plaza, Dong Qu, 10 Xibeiwang Dong Lu, Haidian District, Beijing, PRC at 10 a.m. on Friday, 28 May 2021, or any adjournment thereof and notice of which is set out on pages 17 to 22 of this circular
"Articles of Association"	the articles of association of the Company
"Audit Committee"	the audit committee of the Company
"Board"	the board of Directors
"Company"	AsiaInfo Technologies Limited (亞信科技控股有限公司), an international business company incorporated in the British Virgin Islands on 15 July 2003 whose Shares are listed on the main board of the Stock Exchange (stock code: 1675)
"Director(s)"	the director(s) of the Company
"General Mandate"	a general mandate proposed to be granted to the Directors at the AGM to allot, issue and/or deal with Shares not exceeding 20% of the total number of issued Shares as at the date of passing of the relevant resolution granting the General Mandate
"Group"	the Company and its subsidiaries
"HK\$"	Hong Kong dollars, the lawful currency of Hong Kong
"Hong Kong"	the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China
"KPMG"	KPMG
"Latest Practicable Date"	21 April 2021, being the latest practicable date prior to the printing of this circular for the purpose of ascertaining certain information contained in this circular
"Listing Rules"	the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange
"PRC"	the People's Republic of China

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"Repurchase Mandate"	a general mandate proposed to be granted to the Directors at the AGM to repurchase Shares not exceeding 10% of the total number of the issued Shares as at the date of passing of the relevant resolution granting the Repurchase Mandate
"SFO"	the Securities and Futures Ordinance, Chapter 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong, as amended from time to time
"Share(s)"	ordinary share(s) in the capital of the Company
"Shareholder(s)"	the holder(s) of the Share(s)
"Stock Exchange"	The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited
"Takeovers Code"	the Code on Takeovers and Mergers and Share Buy-backs issued by the Securities and Futures Commission of Hong Kong
"US"	the United States of America
"US\$"	the US dollars, the lawful currency of the US
" <sup>0</sup> / <sub>0</sub> "	per cent



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Executive Directors: Dr. TIAN Suning (Chairman) Mr. DING Jian Mr. GAO Nianshu (Chief Executive Officer)

Non-executive Directors: Mr. ZHANG Yichen Mr. XIN Yuesheng Mr. ZHANG Liyang Mr. YANG Lin Ms. LIU Hong

Independent Non-executive Directors: Dr. GAO Jack Qunyao Dr. ZHANG Ya-Qin Mr. GE Ming Ms. TAO Ping Registered office: Craigmuir Chambers Road Town Tortola, VG1110 British Virgin Islands

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27 April 2021

To the Shareholders

Dear Sir or Madam

# PROPOSALS FOR GENERAL MANDATES TO ISSUE SHARES AND REPURCHASE SHARES, RE-ELECTION OF RETIRING DIRECTORS, RE-APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR AND DECLARATION OF FINAL DIVIDEND

#### **INTRODUCTION**

The purpose of this circular is to give you the details of: (a) granting of the General Mandate to issue Shares and the Repurchase Mandate to repurchase Shares; (b) the re-election of the retiring Directors; (c) the re-appointment of KPMG as the auditor of the Company; (d) the declaration of final dividend; and (e) the notice of the AGM.

#### **GENERAL MANDATE TO ISSUE SHARES**

An ordinary resolution numbered 5(A) as set out in the notice of the AGM will be proposed at the AGM to grant the General Mandate to the Directors to exercise the powers of the Company to allot, issue and deal with an aggregate number of Shares not exceeding 20% of the total number of issued Shares.

An ordinary resolution numbered 5(C) as set out in the notice of the AGM will also be proposed at the AGM authorizing the Directors to increase the maximum number of new Shares which may be issued under the General Mandate for the issuance and allotment of Shares by adding to it the number representing the aggregate number of Shares repurchased pursuant to the Repurchase Mandate.

#### **REPURCHASE MANDATE TO REPURCHASE SHARES**

An ordinary resolution numbered 5(B) as set out in the notice of the AGM will be proposed at the AGM to approve the granting of the Repurchase Mandate to the Directors to exercise the powers of the Company to repurchase Shares with an aggregate number of Shares not exceeding 10% of the total number of issued Shares as at the date of passing of the resolution.

An explanatory statement required by the Listing Rules to be sent to the Shareholders in connection with the proposed Repurchase Mandate is set out in Appendix I to this circular.

#### **RE-ELECTION OF RETIRING DIRECTORS**

Pursuant to the article 14.2 of the Articles of Association, the Board shall have the authority to appoint any person as a Director from time to time, either to fill a casual vacancy on the Board or as an addition to the existing Board. Any Director so appointed to fill a casual vacancy on the Board or as an addition to the existing Board shall hold office only until the next following general meeting of the Company, and shall then be eligible for re-election at that meeting. Accordingly, Mr. YANG Lin, Ms. LIU Hong and Ms. TAO Ping who were appointed as Directors on 2 September 2020 will retire from office at the AGM and being eligible, have offer themselves for re-election at the AGM.

Pursuant to the article 14.18 of the Articles of Association, one-third of the Directors for the time being (or if their number is not three or a multiple of three, then the number nearest to but not less than one-third) will retire from office by rotation and will be eligible for re-election and re-appointment at every annual general meeting, provided that every

Director shall be subject to retirement by rotation at least once every three years. Accordingly, Dr. TIAN Suning, Mr. XIN Yuesheng and Dr. GAO Jack Qunyao will retire and, being eligible, have offered themselves for re-election as Directors at the AGM.

Details of the above retiring Directors who are subject to re-election at the AGM are set out in Appendix II to this circular in accordance with the relevant requirements of the Listing Rules.

#### **RE-APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR**

KPMG will retire as the auditor of the Company at the AGM and being eligible, offer themselves for re-appointment.

After the recommendation of the Audit Committee, the Board proposed to appoint KPMG as the auditor of the Company and to hold office until the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company.

#### **DECLARATION OF FINAL DIVIDEND**

The Board has recommended the payment of final dividend of HK\$0.345 per Share for the year ended 31 December 2020. Conditional upon the passing of the ordinary resolution numbered 4 by the Shareholders at the AGM, Shareholders registered under the Hong Kong branch register of members as of 8 June 2021 will be entitled to the final dividends. All final dividends will be paid in Hong Kong dollars and are expected to be paid on or around 30 June 2021. In order to determine the identity of the Shareholders who are entitled to the final dividend, all transfers accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged with the Company's share registrar in Hong Kong, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, at Shops 1712–1716, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wan Chai, Hong Kong not later than 4:30 p.m. on 3 June 2021.

#### NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Set out on pages 17 to 22 of this circular is the notice of the AGM at which, inter alia, ordinary resolutions will be proposed to Shareholders to consider and approve the granting of the General Mandate to issue Shares and the Repurchase Mandate to repurchase Shares, the re-election of the retiring Directors, the re-appointment of the auditor of the Company and the declaration of a final dividend.

The register of members of the Company will be closed from 25 May 2021 to 28 May 2021, both days inclusive, in order to determine the eligibility of Shareholders to attend the AGM, during which period no share transfers will be registered. To be eligible to attend the AGM, all properly completed transfer forms accompanied by the relevant Share certificates must be lodged for registration with the Hong Kong share registrar of the Company, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, at 17M Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong not later than 4:30 p.m. on 24 May 2021.

#### **PROXY FORM**

A proxy form is enclosed in this circular. Whether or not you intend to attend the AGM, you are requested to complete the proxy form in accordance with the instructions printed thereon and return it to the Hong Kong share registrar of the Company, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, at 17M Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong not less than 48 hours before the time fixed for holding the AGM or any adjournment thereof. Completion and delivery of the proxy form shall not preclude a Shareholder from attending and voting in person at the AGM if they so wish.

#### **VOTING BY POLL**

There is no Shareholder who has any material interest in those resolutions proposed at the AGM regarding the General Mandate and the Repurchase Mandate, therefore none of the Shareholders is required to abstain from voting on those resolutions.

Pursuant to Rule 13.39(4) of the Listing Rules and article 11.6 of the Articles of Association, any resolution put to the vote of the Shareholders at a general meeting shall be decided on a poll except where the chairman of the AGM, in good faith, allows a resolution which relates purely to a procedural or administrative matter to be voted on by a show of hands. Accordingly, each of the resolutions set out in the notice will be taken by way of poll.

On a poll, every Shareholder present in person or by proxy or, in the case of a Shareholder being a corporation, by its duly authorised representative, shall have one vote for every fully paid Share of which he/she is the holder. A Shareholder entitled to more than one vote needs not use all his/her votes or cast all the votes he/she uses in the same way.

#### **RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENT**

This circular, for which the Directors collectively and individually accept full responsibility, includes particulars given in compliance with the Listing Rules for the purpose of giving information with regard to the Company. The Directors, having made all reasonable enquiries, confirm that to the best of their knowledge and belief, the information contained in this circular is accurate and complete in all material respects and not misleading or deceptive, and there are no other matters the omission of which would make any statement herein or this circular misleading.

#### RECOMMENDATION

The Directors consider that the proposed resolutions as set out in the notice of the AGM are all in the interests of the Group and the Shareholders as a whole. The Directors therefore recommend the Shareholders to vote in favour of all the resolutions to be proposed at the AGM.

Yours faithfully By order of the Board AsiaInfo Technologies Limited Dr. TIAN Suning Chairman of the Board and Executive Director

#### **APPENDIX I**

The following is an explanatory statement required to be sent to the Shareholders under the Listing Rules in connection with the proposed Repurchase Mandate.

#### EXERCISE OF THE REPURCHASE MANDATE

The Directors believe that the flexibility afforded by the Repurchase Mandate would be beneficial to the Company. It is proposed that up to 10% of the total number of issued Shares on the date of the passing of the ordinary resolution (subject to adjustment in the case of any subdivision and consolidation of Shares after the relevant general meeting) to approve the Repurchase Mandate may be bought back. As at the Latest Practicable Date, the total number of issued Shares was 920,278,934. On the basis of such figure, the Directors would be authorized to repurchase up to 92,027,893 Shares during the period up to the date of the next annual general meeting of the Company in 2022, or the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by law to be held, or the revocation or variation of the Repurchase Mandate by an ordinary resolution of the Shareholders at a general meeting, whichever of these three events occurs first.

#### **REASONS FOR AND FUNDING OF REPURCHASES**

Repurchases of Shares will only be made when the Directors believe that such repurchases will benefit the Company and the Shareholders as a whole. Such repurchases may, depending on market conditions and funding arrangements at the time, lead to an enhancement of the Company's net asset value and/or its earnings per Share.

Repurchase of the Shares must be funded out of funds legally available for such purpose in accordance with the Articles of Association and the applicable laws of the British Virgin Islands. The Directors may not repurchase the Shares on the Stock Exchange for a consideration other than cash or for settlement otherwise than in accordance with the trading rules of the Stock Exchange.

The Articles of Association and the laws of the British Virgin Islands provide that the Company may not repurchase its own Share unless (i) the value of the Company's assets exceed its liabilities, and (ii) the Company is able to pay its debts as they fall due.

The Directors believe that if the Repurchase Mandate is exercised in full, it may not have a material adverse impact on the working capital and gearing position of the Company, as compared with the positions disclosed in the audited consolidated financial statements of the Company as at 31 December 2020, being the date to which the latest published audited consolidated financial statements of the Company were made up. The Directors do not propose to exercise the Repurchase Mandate to such an extent as would, in the circumstances, have a material adverse effect on the working capital requirements of the Company or its gearing levels which, in the opinion of the Directors, are from time to time appropriate for the Company.

#### **APPENDIX I**

## INTENTION OF THE DIRECTORS, THEIR CLOSE ASSOCIATES AND CORE CONNECTED PERSON OF THE COMPANY

None of the Directors nor, to the best of their knowledge, having made all reasonable enquiries, their respective close associates (as defined in the Listing Rules), have any present intention if the Repurchase Mandate is approved by the Shareholders, to sell any Shares to the Company.

No core connected person (as defined in the Listing Rules) of the Company has notified the Company that he or she has a present intention to sell any Shares to the Company, or has undertaken not to do so, if the Repurchase Mandate is approved by the Shareholders.

#### DIRECTORS' UNDERTAKING

The Directors have undertaken to the Stock Exchange that, so far as the same may be applicable, they will exercise the Repurchase Mandate in accordance with the Listing Rules, the Articles of Association and the applicable laws of the British Virgin Islands.

#### **TAKEOVERS CODE**

If as a result of a repurchase of Shares pursuant to the Repurchase Mandate, a Shareholder's proportionate interest in the voting rights of the Company increases, such increase will be treated as an acquisition of voting rights for the purposes of the Takeovers Code. Accordingly, a Shareholder, or a group of Shareholders acting in concert (within the meaning under the Takeovers Code), depending on the level of increase in the Shareholder's interest, could obtain or consolidate control of the Company and thereby become obliged to make a mandatory offer in accordance with Rule 26 of the Takeovers Code.

As at the Latest Practicable Date, to the best knowledge and belief of the Directors, Mr. ZHANG Yichen was deemed to be interested in 213,924,952 Shares through its controlled corporations under the SFO, representing approximately 23.25% of the total number of issued Shares. In the event that the Directors should exercise in full the Repurchase Mandate, such interests will be increased to approximately 25.83% of the total number of issued Shares, which would not trigger an obligation to make a mandatory offer under the Takeovers Code. The Directors have no present intention to repurchase the Shares to the extent that will trigger the obligations under the Takeovers Code for any Shareholders to make a mandatory offer.

#### **PUBLIC FLOAT**

The Listing Rules prohibit a company from making repurchase on the Stock Exchange if the result of the repurchase would be that less than 25% (or such other prescribed minimum percentage as determined by the Stock Exchange) of the total number of issued Shares would be in public hands. The Directors do not propose to repurchase Shares which would result in less than the prescribed minimum percentage of Shares in public hands.

# **APPENDIX I**

# SHARE REPURCHASE MADE BY THE COMPANY

No repurchase of Shares had been made by the Company during the six months prior to the Latest Practicable Date (whether on the Stock Exchange or otherwise).

#### SHARE PRICES

The highest and lowest prices per Share at which the Shares were traded on the Stock Exchange in each of twelve months preceding and up to and including the Latest Practicable Date were as follows:

Month	Highest <i>HK\$</i>	Lowest HK\$
2020		
April	11.14	9.10
May	10.80	9.15
June	10.72	8.66
July	11.00	9.30
August	12.18	9.16
September	14.20	11.36
October	12.94	10.60
November	13.00	10.50
December	11.98	10.54
2021		
January	12.50	10.20
February	13.50	11.58
March	13.40	10.70
April (up to the Latest Practicable Date)	13.30	11.88

The following are the particulars of the retiring Directors (as required by the Listing Rules) proposed to be re-elected at the AGM.

As at the Latest Practicable Date, none of the following Directors, save as disclosed herein, had any interest in Shares within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO.

As at the Latest Practicable Date, save as disclosed herein, none of the following Directors held any position with the Company or any other member of the Group, or any directorships in other public companies, the securities of which are listed on any securities market in Hong Kong or overseas in the last three years; and the following Directors are not otherwise related to any Directors, senior management, substantial Shareholders or controlling Shareholders (as defined in the Listing Rules).

As at the Latest Practicable Date, save as disclosed herein, there is no other matter in relation to the following Directors that needs to be brought to the attention of the Shareholders and there is no other information relating to the following Directors which is required to be disclosed pursuant to any of the requirements of Rule 13.51(2)(h) to (v) of the Listing Rules.

#### **Executive Director**

#### **Dr. TIAN Suning**

Aged 58, co-founded the Group in 1994, is the chairman and an executive Director. Dr. TIAN has over 20 years of experience in the business of software products, provision of IT services and software solutions, and is primarily responsible for the overall strategic planning and business direction of the Group.

Dr. TIAN served in various positions in China Netcom Group Corporation (Hong Kong) Limited. He served as the chief executive officer from 1999 to May 2006, as a director from August 2000 to July 2007 and as the vice chairman from April 2005 to July 2007. Dr. TIAN served as the deputy general manager at China Netcom Communications Group Corporation from April 2002 to May 2006. Dr. TIAN has been the founder and chairman of a private equity fund, China Broadband Capital Partners, L.P. since July 2006. Dr. TIAN has been an independent non-executive director of Lenovo Group Limited (listed on the Stock Exchange, stock code: 0992) from August 2007 to July 2019. Dr. TIAN has been an independent non-executive director of China Minsheng Banking Corp., Ltd. (中國 民生銀行股份有限公司) (listed on the Shanghai Stock Exchange, stock code: 600016, also listed on the Stock Exchange, stock code: 1988) from June 2018 to October 2020. He was an independent director of Shanghai Pudong Development Bank Co., Ltd. (listed on the Shanghai Stock Exchange, stock code: 600000) from June 2016 to March 2018. He was also an independent non-executive director of Taikang Life Insurance Company Ltd. from July 2008 to July 2015. He was a non-executive director of Huayi Tencent Entertainment Company Limited (listed on the Stock Exchange, stock code: 0419) from January 2008 to February 2016, and served as an independent non-executive director of MasterCard Incorporated (listed on the New York Stock Exchange, NYSE: MA) from March 2006 to June 2016 and a deputy chairman and a non-executive director of PCCW Limited (listed on the Stock Exchange, stock code: 0008) from April 2005 to June 2007.

Dr. TIAN was awarded the New Century Talents — National Candidates (新世紀百千 萬人才國家級人選) in 2004, which was issued by Ministry of Human Resources and Social Security of the PRC. Dr. TIAN obtained his Ph.D. degree in natural resource management from Texas Tech University in December 1993 and a Master of Ecology from Chinese Academy of Sciences in July 1988.

Dr. TIAN has entered into a service contract with the Company for an initial term of three years commencing from 30 December 2019, which may be terminated by not less than three months' notice in writing served by either Dr. TIAN or the Company and subject to the relevant provisions of retirement by rotation and re-election at the annual general meeting of the Company in accordance with the Articles of Association. Dr. TIAN did not receive any Director's fee in cash, except the Company may grant to Dr. TIAN the share options and/or award shares pursuant to the terms and conditions of the share option schemes and/or share award schemes adopted by the Company from time to time. The remuneration of Dr. TIAN as an executive Director will be reviewed and recommended by the remuneration committee of the Company based on appropriate criteria including but not limited to meritocracy and common market practice for comparable board compensations of other comparable listed issuers. Any such recommendation shall then be determined by the Board as authorised by the Shareholders in accordance with the Articles of Association.

As at the Latest Practicable Date, Dr. TIAN was interested in 120,735,141 Shares pursuant to Part XV of the SFO.

#### **Non-executive Directors**

#### Mr. XIN Yuesheng

Aged 51, is a non-executive Director and was appointed as a Director in June 2018. Mr. XIN joined the Group in August 2016. He has over 26 years of experience in finance and investment and is primarily responsible for providing professional opinion and judgment to the Board.

Mr. XIN currently serves as a senior managing director of CITIC Capital Holdings Limited and the managing partner of its private equity arm CITIC Capital Partners. He joined the firm in August 2002 and is responsible for the private equity investment business in China since 2004. Between December 1999 and August 2002, he served as a management consultant at McKinsey & Company in Shanghai and the Washington, D.C. to develop business strategies for global clients. From August 1992 to April 1996, Mr. XIN also served as a deputy manager for China Leasing Co., Ltd. (中國租賃有限公司), the largest leasing company in China and a subsidiary of CITIC Group Corporation Ltd. Mr. XIN served as a director of Focus Media Information Technology Co., Ltd. (分眾傳媒信息技術股份有限公 司) (listed on the Shenzhen Stock Exchange, stock code: 002027) from March 2016 to November 2016.

He obtained a Bachelor of Economics degree from the Peking University in the PRC in July 1992 and a master of business administration degree from Harvard Business School in the US with honors in June 1999.

Mr. XIN has entered into a service contract with the Company for a term of one year commencing from 30 December 2020, and subject to the relevant provisions of retirement by rotation and re-election at the annual general meeting of the Company in accordance with the Articles of Association. Mr. XIN did not receive any Director's fee in cash except the Company may grant to Mr. XIN the share options and/or award shares pursuant to the terms and conditions of the share option schemes and/or share award schemes adopted by the Company from time to time. The remuneration of Mr. XIN as a non-executive Director will be reviewed and recommended by the remuneration committee of the Company based on appropriate criteria including but not limited to meritocracy and common market practice for comparable board compensations of other listed issuers. Any such recommendation shall then be determined by the Board as authorised by the Shareholders in accordance with the Articles of Association.

As at the Latest Practicable Date, Mr. XIN did not hold any Shares within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO.

#### Mr. YANG Lin

Aged 49, is a non-executive Director and was appointed as a Director in September 2020. Mr. YANG is a senior engineer. Mr. YANG currently serves as the deputy general manager of the government and enterprise division in the Xiong'an office of China Mobile Communications Group Co., Ltd.. He joined the China Mobile Communications Corporation in June 1999. Mr. YANG has extensive experience in engineering construction management, supply chain management and DICT project management. Mr. YANG obtained his bachelor's degree in communications engineering from the Beijing University of Posts and Telecommunications in 1994 and subsequently obtained a master's degree in business administration from the China Europe International Business School in 2003.

Mr. YANG has entered into a service contract with the Company for a term of one year commencing from 2 September 2020, and subject to the relevant provisions of retirement by rotation and re-election at the annual general meeting of the Company in accordance with the Articles of Association. Mr. YANG did not receive any Director's fee in cash except the Company may grant to Mr. YANG the share options and/or award shares pursuant to the terms and conditions of the share option schemes and/or share award schemes adopted by the Company from time to time. The remuneration of Mr. YANG as a non-executive Director will be reviewed and recommended by the remuneration committee of the Company based on appropriate criteria including but not limited to meritocracy and common market practice for comparable board compensations of other listed issuers. Any such recommendation shall then be determined by the Board as authorised by the Shareholders in accordance with the Articles of Association.

As at the Latest Practicable Date, Mr. YANG did not hold any Shares within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO.

#### Ms. LIU Hong

Aged 48, is a non-executive Director and was appointed as a Director in September 2020 and currently serves as a director and deputy general manager of China Mobile Information Technology Co., Ltd. From September 2010 to January 2018, Ms. LIU held the position of deputy general manager of the business support system department of China Mobile Communications Corporation. From June 2006 to September 2010, she served as the manager of the planning and construction division in the business support system department of China Mobile Group Corporation. Before that, Ms. LIU worked as a manager in the support office of China Mobile Group Corporation's billing business center from February 2002 to June 2006, and also respectively held the position of deputy director of the account clearing center, billing clearing center and the Beijing billing business center of China Mobile Group Corporation from January 2000 to February 2002. From August 1996 to January 2000, Ms. LIU successively worked in the billing center of the Mobile Communications Bureau of the Ministry of Posts and Telecommunications and the account clearing center of China Mobile Corporation. Ms. LIU obtained her bachelor's degree in computer mathematics and application software from the Beijing University of Technology in 1996, and subsequently obtained a master's degree in business administration from the Peking University in 2006.

Ms. LIU has entered into a service contract with the Company for a term of one year commencing from 2 September 2020, and subject to the relevant provisions of retirement by rotation and re-election at the annual general meeting of the Company in accordance with the Articles of Association. Ms. LIU did not receive any Director's fee in cash except the Company may grant to Ms. LIU the share options and/or award shares pursuant to the terms and conditions of the share option schemes and/or share award schemes adopted by the Company from time to time. The remuneration of Ms. LIU as a non-executive Director will be reviewed and recommended by the remuneration committee of the Company based on appropriate criteria including but not limited to meritocracy and common market practice for comparable board compensations of other listed issuers. Any such recommendation shall then be determined by the Board as authorised by the Shareholders in accordance with the Articles of Association.

As at the Latest Practicable Date, Ms. LIU did not hold any Shares within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO.

#### **Independent Non-executive Directors**

#### Dr. GAO Jack Qunyao

Aged 63, was appointed as an independent non-executive Director on 19 December 2018. Dr. GAO has extensive experience in information technology, media, entertainment and venture capital.

Dr. GAO has been currently the adjunct professor of the business school of The Chinese University of Hong Kong since 2011. Dr. GAO has been the founding partner and the chief executive officer at Beijing Times Digiwork Films Technology Co., Ltd. (Smart Cinema) (北京雲途時代影業科技有限公司(移動電影院)) since April 2018. Dr. GAO has

been a director of AGTech Holdings Limited (listed on the Stock Exchange, stock code: 8279) since May 2015. Dr. GAO was the interim chief executive officer of Legendary Entertainment LLC from January 2017 to October 2017, and was also a director of Legendary Entertainment LLC from January 2016 to October 2017. Dr. GAO served as a director at AMC Entertainment Holdings, Inc. (listed on the New York Stock Exchange, NYSE: AMC) from September 2015 to October 2017. Dr. GAO also served as the senior group vice president and the chief executive officer of the international investments and operations, Wanda Cultural Industry Group from June 2015 to October 2017. Dr. GAO was previously a director of Vantone Holdings Co., Ltd. (listed on the Shanghai Stock Exchange, stock code: 600246) from June 2010 to April 2017. Dr. GAO also served as the corporate senior vice president of News Corporation (listed on NASDAQ, NASDAQ: NWS) from November 2006 to July 2014. Dr. GAO was an alternate director at Phoenix Media Investment (Holdings) Limited (listed on the Stock Exchange, stock code: 2008) from December 2008 to June 2013. Dr. GAO served as the corporate vice president at Autodesk, Inc. (listed on NASDAQ, NASDAQ: ADSK) from June 2003 to November 2006. He was also the general partner of Walden International from May 2002 to April 2003. Dr. GAO served as the president and the general manager of Microsoft (China) Co. Ltd., a subsidiary of Microsoft Corporation (listed on NASDAQ, NASDAQ: MSFT) from December 1999 to May 2002.

Dr. GAO obtained his bachelor's degree, master's degree and his Ph.D. degree in engineering from Harbin Institute of Technology in January 1982, December 1984 and December 1994, respectively.

Dr. GAO has signed an appointment letter with the Company for a term of one year with effect from 30 December 2020, subject to the relevant provisions of retirement by rotation and re-election at the annual general meeting of the Company in accordance with the Articles of Association. Dr. GAO shall be entitled to receive a fixed Director's fee of US\$60,000 per annum, which is determined based on appropriate criteria including but not limited to meritocracy and common market practice for comparable board compensations of other listed issuers. The Company may also grant Dr. GAO share options and/or award shares according to the terms and conditions of the share option schemes and/or share award schemes adopted by the Company from time to time.

As at the Latest Practicable Date, Dr. GAO was interested in 112,000 Shares pursuant to Part XV of the SFO.

# Ms. TAO Ping

Aged 63, was appointed as an independent non-executive Director on 2 September 2020. Ms. Tao has been engaged in the telecommunications industry for 35 years and has accumulated rich management experience in provincial and group companies of the telecommunications industry. She served successively as the deputy general manager and the general manager in the Anhui branch office of China Telecom from June 2002 to February 2011. During that time, China Telecom's informatisation level was maintained at a leading position within the industry. In 2007, Ms. TAO was awarded the "Outstanding Informatisation Leader Award" by the National Informatisation Evaluation Center and in

2010, she was also awarded the honorary title of "National Model Worker". From March 2011 to November 2017, Ms. TAO served as the general manager and senior consultant of the strategic department of the China Telecom Group; and from July 2012 to December 2017, she also served as an employee director of the board of directors of the China Telecom Group. Ms. TAO obtained a bachelor's degree in engineering from Nanjing University of Posts and Telecommunications (formerly known as the Nanjing Institute of Posts and Telecommunications) in 1982. She subsequently obtained a master's degree in business administration from the Australian National University in 2004.

Ms. TAO has signed an appointment letter with the Company for a term of one year with effect from 2 September 2020, subject to the relevant provisions of retirement by rotation and re-election at the annual general meeting of the Company in accordance with the Articles of Association. Ms. TAO shall be entitled to receive a fixed Director's fee of US\$60,000 per annum, which is determined based on appropriate criteria including but not limited to meritocracy and common market practice for comparable board compensations of other listed issuers. The Company may also grant Ms. TAO share options and/or award shares according to the terms and conditions of the share option schemes and/or share award schemes adopted by the Company from time to time.

As at the Latest Practicable Date, Ms. TAO was interested in 112,000 Shares pursuant to Part XV of the SFO.

#### Further information in relation to the re-election of the Directors

The recommendation of the appointment of the above Directors to the Board was made in accordance with the Company's nomination policy and objective criteria (including without limitation professional experience, skills, knowledge, gender, age, cultural and educational background, ethnicity, and length of service), with due regard for the benefits of diversity, as set out under the Company's board diversity policy. The Board has also taken into account the contributions of the above Directors and their commitment to their roles. The Company has also received the independence confirmation from the independent non-executive Directors pursuant to Rule 3.13 of the Listing Rules and was satisfied with his/her independence.

In view of the above, the Board believes the above independent non-executive Director is independent and the education, background and experience of each of the Directors will allow each of them to provide valuable insights and contribute to the diversity of the Board and therefore should be re-elected.

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# AsiaInfo Technologies Limited

亞信科技控股有限公司

(Incorporated in the British Virgin Islands with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 1675)

# NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT** the annual general meeting of AsiaInfo Technologies Limited (the "**Company**") will be held at AsiaInfo Plaza, Dong Qu, 10 Xibeiwang Dong Lu, Haidian District, Beijing, PRC at 10 a.m. on Friday, 28 May 2021 for the following purposes:

- 1. To receive and adopt the audited consolidated financial statements of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2020 and the reports of the directors and auditor thereon.
- 2. (a) To re-elect the following retiring directors of the Company (the "Director"):
  - (i) Dr. TIAN Suning as an executive Director;
  - (ii) Mr. XIN Yuesheng as a non-executive Director;
  - (iii) Mr. YANG Lin as a non-executive Director;
  - (iv) Ms. LIU Hong as a non-executive Director;
  - (v) Dr. GAO Jack Qunyao as an independent non-executive Director;
  - (vi) Ms. TAO Ping as an independent non-executive Director; and
  - (b) To authorise the board of Directors (the "**Board**") to fix the remuneration of the Directors.
- 3. To re-appoint KPMG as the auditor of the Company to hold office until the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company and to authorise the Board to fix its remuneration for the year ended 31 December 2021.
- 4. To declare final dividend for the year ended 31 December 2020.

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- 5. To consider and, if thought fit, pass with or without modification the following resolutions as ordinary resolutions:
  - **(A) "That**:
    - (i) subject to paragraph (iii) below, the exercise by the Directors during the Relevant Period (as defined hereinafter) of all the powers of the Company to allot, issue and/or otherwise deal with additional shares of the Company (the "Shares") and to make or grant offers, agreements and options which may require the exercise of such powers, be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;
    - (ii) the approval in paragraph (i) above shall authorise the Directors during the Relevant Period to make or grant offers, agreements and options which may require the exercise of such power after the end of the Relevant Period;
    - (iii) the aggregate number of shares allotted or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be allotted (whether pursuant to options or otherwise) by the Directors pursuant to approval in paragraph (i) above, otherwise than pursuant to:
      - (1) any Rights Issue (as defined hereinafter);
      - (2) the grant or exercise of any option under any share option scheme adopted by the Company;
      - (3) any scrip dividend or similar arrangement providing for the allotment and issue of Shares in lieu of the whole or part of a dividend on Shares in accordance with the articles of association of the Company; or
      - (4) any issue of Shares upon the exercise of rights of subscription or conversion under the terms of any existing convertible notes issued by the Company or any existing securities of the Company which carry rights to subscribe for or are convertible into Shares, shall not exceed the aggregate of:
        - (a) 20% of the total number of issued Shares as at the date of passing this resolution; plus
        - (b) (if the Board is so authorised by resolution numbered 5(C)) the aggregate number of Shares repurchased by the Company subsequent to the passing of this resolution (up to a maximum equivalent to 10% of the total number of issued Shares as at the date of passing this resolution, and the said approval shall be limited accordingly; and

(iv) for the purpose of this resolution:

"Relevant Period" means the period from the passing of this resolution until whichever is the earliest of:

- (1) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;
- (2) the expiry of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by any applicable laws or the articles of association of the Company to be held; or
- (3) the revocation or variation of the authority given to the directors of the Company under this resolution by ordinary resolution of the Company's shareholders in general meeting; and

"Rights Issue" means an offer of Shares open for a period fixed by the directors of the Company to holders of Shares on the register of members on a fixed record date in proportion to their then holdings of such Shares (subject to such exclusions or other arrangements as the directors of the Company may deem necessary or expedient in relation to fractional entitlements or, having regard to any legal or practical restrictions or obligations under the laws of, or the requirements of, any recognised regulatory body or any stock exchange in any territory applicable to the Company) and an offer, allotment or issue of shares by way of rights shall be construed accordingly."

- **(B)** "That:
  - (i) subject to paragraph (ii) of this resolution, the exercise by the Directors during the Relevant Period (as defined hereinafter) of all the powers of the Company to repurchase Shares on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange") or on any other stock exchange on which the Shares may be listed and which is recognised for this purpose by the Securities and Futures Commission and the Stock Exchange under the Code on Share Buy-backs and, subject to and in accordance with all applicable laws and the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange (the "Listing Rules"), be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;
  - (ii) the aggregate number of the Shares to be repurchased pursuant to the approval in paragraph (i) of this resolution shall not exceed 10% of the total number of issued Shares as at the date of passing of this resolution, and the said approval shall be limited accordingly;

- (iii) subject to the passing of each of the paragraphs (i) and (ii) of this resolution, any prior approvals of the kind referred to in paragraphs (i) and (ii) of this resolution which had been granted to the Directors and which are still in effect be and are hereby revoked; and
- (iv) for the purpose of this resolution:

"Relevant Period" means the period from the passing of this resolution until whichever is the earliest of:

- (a) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;
- (b) the expiry of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by any applicable laws or the articles of association of the Company to be held; or
- (c) the passing of an ordinary resolution by the shareholders of the Company in general meeting revoking or varying the authority given to the directors of the Company by this resolution."
- (C) "That conditional upon the resolutions numbered 5(A) and 5(B) set out in this notice being passed, the general mandate granted to the Directors to exercise the powers of the Company to allot, issue and/or otherwise deal with new Shares and to make or grant offers, agreements and options which might require the exercise of such powers pursuant to the resolution numbered 5(A) set out in this notice be and is hereby extended by the addition to the number of the issued Shares which may be allotted or agreed conditional or unconditionally to be allotted by the Directors pursuant to such general mandate of an amount representing the number of the issued Shares repurchased by the Company under the authority granted pursuant to resolution numbered 5(B) set out in this notice, provided that such extended amount shall represent up to 10% of the total number of issued Shares as at the date of passing of the said resolutions."

By order of the Board AsiaInfo Technologies Limited Dr. TIAN Suning

Chairman of the Board and executive Director

Hong Kong, 27 April 2021

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Registered office: Craigmuir Chambers Road Town Tortola, VG1110 British Virgin Islands Principal place of business and head office in China: AsiaInfo Plaza, Dong Qu 10 Xibeiwang Dong Lu Haidian District Beijing 100193 PRC

Principal place of business in Hong Kong: 31/F, Tower Two Times Square 1 Matheson Street, Causeway Bay Hong Kong

#### Notes:

- (i) A shareholder entitled to attend and vote at the above meeting is entitled to appoint one or more proxies to attend, speak and vote in his/her stead. The proxy does not need to be a shareholder of the Company.
- (ii) Where there are joint registered holders of any Shares, any one of such persons may vote at the above meeting (or at any adjournment of it), either personally or by proxy, in respect of such Shares as if he/she were solely entitled thereto but the vote of the senior holder who tenders a vote, whether in person or by proxy, will be accepted to the exclusion of the vote(s) of the other joint holders and, for this purpose, seniority shall be determined by the order in which the names stand in the register of members of the Company in respect of the relevant joint holding.
- (iii) In order to be valid, the completed proxy form, must be deposited at the Hong Kong share registrar of the Company, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, at 17M Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong together with the power of attorney or other authority (if any) under which it is signed or a certified copy of that power of attorney or authority (such certification to be made by either a notary public or a solicitor qualified to practice in Hong Kong), at least 48 hours before the time appointed for holding the above meeting or any adjournment thereof (as the case may be). The completion and return of the proxy form shall not preclude shareholders of the Company from attending and voting in person at the above meeting (or any adjourned meeting thereof) if they so wish.
- (iv) The register of members of the Company will be closed from 25 May 2021 to 28 May 2021, both days inclusive, in order to determine the eligibility of shareholders to attend the above meeting, during which period no share transfers will be registered. To be eligible to attend the above meeting, all properly completed transfer forms accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged for registration with the Hong Kong share registrar of the Company, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, at Shops 1712–1716, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong not later than 4:30 p.m. on 24 May 2021.

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- (v) The register of members of the Company will be closed from 4 June 2021 to 8 June 2021, both days inclusive, in order to determine the entitlement of shareholders to receive the final dividend of the Company, during which period no share transfers will be registered. To qualify for the final dividend, all properly completed transfer forms accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged for registration with the Hong Kong share registrar of the Company, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, at Shops 1712–1716, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong not later than 4:30 p.m. on 3 June 2021.
- (vi) In respect of resolution numbered 2 above, Dr. TIAN Suning, Mr. XIN Yuesheng, Mr. YANG Lin, Ms. LIU Hong, Dr. GAO Jack Qunyao and Ms. TAO Ping will retire, and being eligible to be re-elected. Details of the above retiring Directors proposed for re-election are set out in Appendix II to the circular dated 27 April 2021.
- (vii) In respect of the resolution numbered 5(A) above, the Directors wish to state that they have no immediate plans to issue any new Shares referred therein. Approval is being sought from the shareholders of the Company as a general mandate for the purposes of the Listing Rules.
- (viii) In respect of resolution numbered 5(B) above, the Directors wish to state that they will exercise the powers conferred by the general mandate to repurchase Shares in circumstances which they deem appropriate and for the benefits of shareholders. The explanatory statement containing the information necessary to enable shareholders to make an informed decision on whether to vote for or against the resolution to approve the repurchase by the Company of its own Shares, as required by the Listing Rules, is set out in Appendix I to the circular dated 27 April 2021.
- (ix) Pursuant to Rule 13.39(4) of the Listing Rules, voting for all the resolutions set out in this notice will be taken by poll at the above meeting.