

## Press release

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# AEW Europe's sustainable development recognised by United Nations PRI

The United Nations Principles for Responsible Investment (“UNPRI”) has awarded AEW Europe a Class A ranking in its recent international evaluation for 2014. AEW Europe was considered to be in the top quartile of the most efficient companies out of the 163 international companies that were assessed.

In addition, two AEW Europe-managed funds, LOGISTIS and the UK Core Property Fund, received a GREEN STAR rating in the 2014 Global Real Estate Sustainability Benchmark (GRESB) survey, which measures environmental performance versus peers, with LOGISTIS ranked third out of 19 funds in its peer group.

AEW Europe first implemented its Socially Responsible Investment (“SRI”) management programme in 2010 and subsequently became a founding member of the Green Rating Alliance (GRA), a signatory of UNPRI and member of the Global Real Estate Sustainability Benchmark (GRESB).

Rob Wilkinson, CEO at AEW Europe, said: “AEW Europe has had a long-standing commitment to sustainable investing through our pan-European platform and we are pleased that the teams are receiving this well-deserved recognition for their hard work from those who determine the industry benchmark.”

Thierry Laquitaine, Sustainable Manager at AEW Europe added: “Socially responsible investing is a long term initiative for us at AEW Europe and we continue to strive to develop innovative solutions to improve our standards above and beyond what is required, in order to create sustainable value for our clients.”

AEW Europe is a leading European real estate investment manager with 9 offices throughout Europe and the group has over 280 employees who are responsible for €18bn of assets under management.

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## About AEW Europe

AEW Europe is one of the leading European real estate asset and investment managers. Together with AEW Capital Management in the United States and Asia, AEW Europe and its regulated subsidiaries - AEW Europe LLP, NAMI - AEW Europe and AEW Europe SGP - form a global real estate platform of over €38 billion in assets under management (of which €18.2 billion is in Europe as at 06.30.2014). AEW has over 30 years experience in the management of real estate funds and separate institutional mandates with 500 employees in 14 locations around the world, including head offices in Boston, London, Paris

and Singapore. AEW's innovative investment strategies are research-driven and rigorously controlled for risk, with implementation carried out by professional teams in its extensive network of local offices on the ground.

AEW regularly receives industry awards in recognition of its investment performance and adherence to principles of sustainability. AEW Europe is a founding member of the group of leading real estate fund managers applying the Bureau Veritas "Green Rating" standards to its European investment portfolio and is a signatory to the United Nations' Principles for Responsible Investment. The company is also an active member of the European Association for Investors in Non-listed Real Estate Funds (INREV) and its portfolios are benchmarked by the Investment Property Databank (IPD). AEW Europe is a subsidiary of Natixis Global Asset Management, one of the top 16 asset managers in the world.

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