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International Real Estate Data Exchange Council Launches Collaboration

The focus is to enable movement of consistent data by international investors, fund managers and service providers

Orlando, FL, June 15, 2016 Five leading international data standards organizations, FIDJI (France), gif (Germany), INREV (Europe), OSCRE International (UK, North America) and REDEX (Netherlands) have formed the International Real Estate Data Exchange Council (IREDEC) and signed a collaborative agreement. The intent is to harmonize existing international data exchange standards to meet the requirements of investors, fund managers and service providers of cross border investments.

"Working together, we expect to have a significant impact on improving the integrity of data used by investors and others in the global investment arena," said Lisa Stanley, CEO of OSCRE International. "This approach will improve data transparency and data governance at all levels," she added.

The collaboration will begin with the development of a common data structure which will enable conversion between existing national and regional models. IREDEC will also engage in a validation phase of the methodology with international practitioners.

"This initiative is the beginning of a collaboration that will provide improved information, will drive decision making for real estate investments and remove geographic barriers. It is a major step forward for the industry," said Graeme Lambert, Head of Property Finance for Canada Life Investments, and an OSCRE Board Member.

Based on a methodology of FIDJI, the potential savings of an implementation of an efficient data management approach in the European real estate industry could be more than 1b EUR per year.

IREDEC encourages other organizations to join in their efforts to develop a common data structure for the real estate industry and to support implementation globally. For more information, please contact us at<u>iredec@oscre.org</u>

About OSCRE International

OSCRE is an international not for profit member-based organization focused on the collaborative development of real estate standards and their implementation around the world. This focus enables the real estate industry to improve data integrity, transparency, data governance and improve performance. OSCRE's members represent investment firms, service providers, software developers, consultants, benchmarking organizations, and owner/occupiers in the public, private and government sectors.

About the other organizations:

FIDJI (France) www.format-fidji.org

gif (Germany) www.gif-ev.de

INREV (Europe) www.inrev.org

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