

## Harrison Street Accelerates European Expansion with Appointment of Alexis Gisselbrecht as Managing Director, Portfolio Management

This follows the recent opening of Harrison Street's Luxembourg office in the beginning of 2023

**CHICAGO, IL and London, UK, July 10, 2023 -** <u>Harrison Street</u>, one of the leading investment management firms exclusively focused on alternative real assets with approximately \$55 billion in assets under management, today announced the continued expansion of its European platform with the appointment of Alexis Gisselbrecht as Managing Director, Portfolio Management. Based in London, Mr. Gisselbrecht will lead the portfolio management function in Europe and oversee the performance of Harrison Street's European investment vehicles.

Mr. Gisselbrecht has over two decades of finance and real estate investment experience in Pan-European strategies across the risk spectrum. He has held numerous positions in acquisition and asset management, previously serving as a Senior Fund Manager - Real Assets at AXA Investment Managers, where he was responsible for the firm's pan-European value-add funds. Mr. Gisselbrecht also held similar roles at investment firm Patrizia and within BlackRock's Real Asset group.

Joey Lansing, Global Head of Portfolio Management and Strategy at Harrison Street, commented: "We're thrilled to welcome Alexis to the team. His impressive background in value-add investing will be invaluable as we look to continue building and optimizing portfolios across our demographic-driven alternative property sectors."

As part of the firm's ongoing European expansion, William (Liam) Fagan joins Harrison Street as Managing Director and Head of our newly opened Luxembourg office. Mr. Fagan brings 28 years of industry experience, joining Harrison Street from HSBC's Luxembourg investment management company, and will be responsible for building out the firm's presence and in deepening relationships with key external partners and service providers. Working closely with Mr. Fagan, Viviana Raymond joins us from Ernst & Young, as Director in Tax with a focus on providing advice on all tax related queries both at fund and portfolio level. In this position, Ms. Raymond will also support the development and operations of the recently opened Harrison Street office in Luxembourg.

Rob Mathias, Head of International Business at Harrison Street, said, "We are excited about our newest appointments as we continue to expand our presence in Europe. Alexis, Liam and Viviana collectively bring a breadth of expertise critical to our business strategy, and we look forward to benefiting from their vast portfolio management, tax and regulatory experience as we continue to invest high-quality, differentiated assets across attractive markets and sectors."

Harrison Street launched its European platform in 2015, and since then has built a team of nearly 50 executives dedicated to the platform located across the firm's four European offices in the UK, Spain, Germany, and Luxembourg. The team has deep expertise across the major European markets, has experienced strong retention, and is well positioned for continued expansion as the firm identifies new opportunities across alternative real asset sectors within Europe.

## **About Harrison Street**

Harrison Street is one of the leading investment management firms exclusively focused on alternative real assets. Since inception in 2005, the firm has created a series of differentiated investment solutions focused on demographic-driven, needs-based assets. The firm has invested across senior housing, student housing, healthcare delivery, life sciences and storage real estate as well as social and utility infrastructure. Headquartered in Chicago with offices in Germany, London, Luxembourg, New York, San Francisco, Spain, Tokyo, Toronto and Washington DC, the firm has more than 250-employees and



approximately \$55 billion in assets under management. Clients of the firm include a global institutional investor base domiciled in North America, Europe, Middle East, Asia and Latin America. Harrison Street was awarded Best Places to Work by Pensions & Investments for eight years (2014-2020, 2022) and was recognized by PERE as the 2021 Alternatives Investor of the Year, North America and 2020 Global Alternatives Investor of the Year. For more information, please visit <u>www.harrisonst.com</u>.

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