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DEUTSCHE FINANCE INTERNATIONAL OPENS MADRID OFFICE AND APPOINTS INVESTMENT DIRECTOR RESPONSIBLE FOR SOUTHERN EUROPE

*-Appointment and office opening will support further growth across the
region-*

7 September 2020, London. Deutsche Finance International (“DFI”), the pan-European private equity real estate investor which manages over €2.4 billion of assets and specialises in customer-centric real estate, has opened a new office in Madrid and appointed Juan Gomez Vega as Investment Director, Southern Europe.

The new role has been created to facilitate the further growth of DFI’s activity across the region, where recent transactions have included the acquisition of a diversified seed portfolio of residential rental properties across Spain, as part of a larger platform strategy; an off-market special situation investment into several prime residential development projects in the Costa Del Sol; and two office assets, in Lisbon’s central business district. These transactions are in addition to DFI’s continued investment into the Spanish residential rental sector through the Elix Vintage Residencial Socimi, S.A.

Juan Gomez Vega, who will run the new Madrid office, has over 15 years of experience in real estate debt and equity investment and asset management across Europe, the U.S. and South America. He joins DFI after almost four years at Neinor Homes, where he was Chief Capital Markets Officer and responsible for the execution of its successful €1.3 billion IPO on the Madrid Stock Exchange.

He was formerly a director at Lone Star Spain, where he oversaw the sourcing and execution of circa €1.5 billion of investment opportunities in Iberia, and Chief Executive of Vilamoura World, a major residential development opportunity in Portugal wholly owned by Lone Star funds. He also spent four years working in London with Deutsche Bank-RREEF, in a role that included acquisitions/disposals, asset management and debt restructuring; and spanned through multiple asset classes (logistics, office, PRS, retail and senior living) and geographies (mainly Germany, Netherlands and Poland).

Juan holds a BS in Economics, an MS in Finance, an MBA from Columbia Business School in Finance, Economics and Real Estate and is a CFA Charterholder.

Since 2017, DFI has committed to over €2 billion of value add and select opportunistic investments across six markets in Europe, including London's iconic Olympia Exhibition Centre and several investments in Spain and Portugal.

DFI closed its inaugural fund, DFI European Value-Add Fund ("DFI EVAF") in July 2019 and raised approximately €800 million of equity in total including related co-investment transactions. With its successful inaugural fund nearing full deployment and on target to meet its return objectives, DFI is exploring bringing forward new value add strategies.

Gavin Neilan, Co-Founder and Co-Managing Partner at DFI said: "Southern Europe is a primary investment market for us and, having already assembled a significant portfolio in Spain and Portugal, we have a strong foundation to expand our activities across the region where we see significant value potential, which we believe will be amplified by market dislocation in the short to medium term. Juan is a highly experienced real estate professional, with an in-depth knowledge of southern European markets and precisely the right skillset to help DFI reach its ambitions."

Juan Gómez Vega, Director (Southern Europe) at DFI added: "This is a fantastic opportunity to join a top pan-European team with a solid track record and an already remarkable presence in Southern Europe. I expect that, from the newly established Madrid office, I will be able to contribute to the growth of the firm as the region recovers from the current crisis."

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About Deutsche Finance International:

DFI is a pan-European private equity firm with over €2.4 billion of assets under management, which specialises in customer centric real estate. It pursues value add and select opportunistic research-driven strategies driving superior risk-adjusted returns through deep value investing, capitalising on trends and transforming under-managed and under-invested assets and operating companies through proactive asset management. The firm acts as the investment adviser to its discretionary funds and co-investment partners, and has a global institutional client base that includes pension funds, insurance companies, financial institutions and family offices.

DFI is independently managed by its Founding Partners with a dedicated best-in-class team operating across offices in London, Munich, Madrid and Luxembourg. It benefits from being part of the Deutsche Finance Group ("DFG"), a global investment management firm that specialises in private market real estate and infrastructure investments. DFG currently has over €6.5 billion of assets under

management and is headquartered in Munich. DFG is privately owned and regulated by the Federal Financial Supervisory Authority of Germany, BaFin.

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