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## **Ireland vs continental Europe**

#### **Volatility of returns**



Source: Aviva Investors, PMA, March 2019

## **Traditional and Long Lease property**

#### **Comparison of different strategies**









#### Long Lease property

Uncertain sale proceeds

## **Evolution of the Long Lease market**

- Addressed growing demand from UK institutional investors for secure, predictable and inflationlinked cashflows to meet their long-term liabilities
- The UK Long Lease market grew from £2bn to £15.6bn of assets since 2010
- Since 2016 European Long Lease funds address institutional investors' increasing demand for cashflow matching investments

#### **Exceptional growth in UK**



#### Over 650% Increase in long lease market value over an 8 year period

Source: MSCI IPD (Investment Property Databank). Long lease real estate figures based on all long lease funds in the MSCI IPD UK quarterly universe benchmark. as at 31 December 2018

## Long Lease Real Estate exhibits lower volatility

### Long Lease Real Estate outperforms direct real estate in cyclical downturns

Total return comparison – Long Lease property funds and Direct Real Estate



## Long Lease Real Estate in pension funds' portfolios

#### A useful addition to diversified portfolios

Two motivations for adding Long Lease Real Estate to pension portfolios:

0	Challenge	Measure	Advantages
Growth portfolio	Real estate has performed well, but cycle may come to an end	Add to real estate portfolio	<ol> <li>lower volatility than traditional RE in Ireland</li> <li>increases diversification</li> <li>more resilient in downturns</li> </ol>

#### Target: de risk



ല	Challenge	Measure	Advantages
Liability matching Portfolio	Underfunding due to low interest rates and QE	Supplement fixed income holdings	<ol> <li>higher returns due to illiquidity premium</li> <li>within acceptable risk bucket</li> <li>Inflation protection and secure cashflows support CDI strategy</li> </ol>

#### **Target: cash-flow increase**



Source: Aviva Investors, January 2019

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#### A useful addition to diversified portfolios



#### Secure long-term cash flows

Lease length: At least 15 years to expiry Tenants: Public and private with strong covenants

#### **Diversification: Sectors, tenants, and countries**

Sectors: Social Infra, Office, Retail, Logistics, Alternative Countries: Continental Europe; focus on Germany, Austria, Benelux and Scandinavia

#### **Consistent and predictable returns**

**Assets:** Core, stable, income producing assets **Rent reviews:** Indexation of rental income

Source: Aviva Investors, January 2019. \* The target return is not guaranteed

## **Diversification: Strategic Sectors**

#### Focus on locations where people want to live, work, play and learn

#### Social Infra



Social infrastructure in sustainable locations used by public sector tenants (e.g. schools, universities, kindergartens, retirement homes) offers stability and diversification

### Office



Locations that are sought after by longterm occupiers

Retail

Assets benefitting from strong convenience attributes to capitalise on long term structural trends Supply chain logistics assets that are positioned to benefit from e-commerce and long-term trade flows

Logistics

Alternative sectors offering yield premium and low correlation with GDP (e.g. leased hotels, student housing, car showroom or parking)

Alternatives

High diversification across asset classes and tenants

## Highly diversified universe of opportunities

#### Strong and well diversified deal pipeline





#### €5.7bn in deal pipeline over last 12 months

Source: Aviva Investors, December 2018. Geographic and sector breakdown of reviewed long lease pipeline over the last 12 months

## **Investment examples: Benelux**

#### **Office with laboratory facilities**

**Rationale:** Danone Innovation Centre is a grade A research and office facility for Danone's special nutrition business "Nutricia" on a 15 year lease with a 5-year extension option.



Location	Utrecht, Netherlands
Use	Research facility
Tenant	International Blue Chip Corporate
Covenant	BBB+
Lease length	14.4 years
Indexation	100% CPI
Avg. CoC return	5.4% p.a.
Purchase Price	€70-75m



## **Investment examples: Scandinavia**

#### Social infrastructure

**Rationale:** Very stable asset in the educational sector on a 20 year lease with a AA+ government tenant offering an additional upside potential of alternative use of the site.

Location	Kristiansand, Norway
Use	Social infrastructure Educational
Tenant	Regional Municipality
Covenant	AA+
Lease length	20 years
Indexation	100% CPI p.a.
Avg. CoC return	3.8% p.a.
Purchase Price	€40-45m





## Cash flow matching through secure real estate income

#### Meeting client investment needs

#### **Investors needs**



#### European Long Lease Real Estate

Typical lease lengths of 15+ years to expiry at acquisition

Secure long-term cash flows, from strong tenant covenants from both the public and private sectors

Net income target returns 4-5% p.a.

Diversification across sectors, tenants, and countries across Continental Europe

Predictable returns through indexation of rental income



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