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In this paper, we consider five elements:





The depth and liquidity benefits of global real estate market opportunities

The case for long-term investment horizons

How the addition of nondomestic real estate exposure may serve to enhance returns and lower risk in a multi-asset class portfolio

Size and performance

Characteristics and portfolio contribution

Considerations for investing in global real estate

H2 2024

Many investors are familiar with the appeal of holding real estate. With a generally low correlation to other asset classes (**Figure 15**), it can serve as an instant diversifier in a mixed-asset portfolio. Historically, real estate has delivered strong relative performance across multiple cycles compared to other asset classes (**Figure 17**), and its characteristic stable income, underpinned by long-term leases, makes it a compelling alternative to traditional fixed-income instruments. Investors continue to allocate to alternative investments. Despite interest rate hikes and decelerating deal flows cooling the real estate market in 2023 and H1 2024, real estate fundraising momentum remained steady through Q2 2024. Value-add strategies are currently the most popular amongst investors, looking to take advantage of market dislocation.¹

Real estate investors around the world have tended to be domestically focused, but many are now investing across global real estate markets. Large institutional investors and sovereign wealth funds have been at the forefront of the shift to global real estate investment, driven by the generally stable income component and the potential for diversification benefits, risk reduction, and potential return enhancement. Likewise, a lack of domestic investment opportunities has played a role in investors' increasing appetite for an international portfolio as a way to broaden their opportunity set (**Figure 1**).

Assessing the global real estate market and the different means of gaining exposure through listed, unlisted, equity, and debt vehicles can be a daunting task. Investors must assess various factors before making an allocation, including the impact of currency fluctuations and foreign tax laws. They must also assess their own internal capabilities for evaluating such an allocation.

Figure 1:

Why real estate?

Investors have different motivations for considering global real estate

Key considerations

- · Size of the real estate asset class
- Lack of domestic real estate opportunities
- Markets comparable in transparency
- Income orientation
- Strong relative return performance (Figure 17)
- Different growth drivers
- Diversification with traditional asset classes
- · Diversification with domestic real estate market
- Inflation hedging
- Portfolio risk reduction and return enhancement (Figure 17)

Source: Invesco Real Estate as of October 2024. Diversification does not guarantee a profit or eliminate the risk of loss.

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A note on current market conditions as of September 2024

While the purpose of this note is to summarise the longerterm strategic considerations for investing in global real estate, some reference does need to be made to the more immediate market conditions in which we currently operate.

Global Real Estate Market Outlook

With slowing inflation and the initial easing of interest rates, we believe that we're at the start of a new real estate value cycle. Looking ahead for the next couple of years, our view is that the macro environment will likely be characterized by ongoing short-term volatility in interest rates. We expect interest rates to fall from current levels but settle/normalize at higher levels than seen over the prior decade. Global GDP growth is likely to be lower than the prior decade, but with greater divergence between markets.

The new real estate value cycle is expected to experience less benefit from cap rate compression compared to previous recoveries. As a result, achieving the best real estate returns, relative to the respective local market, will require a focus on property income growth and reliance on secular demand drivers that can offset slowing economic cycles. It also elevates the need to seek differentiated performance through market selection, because of the large historical gap between top- and bottom-performing markets.

Current investment Context

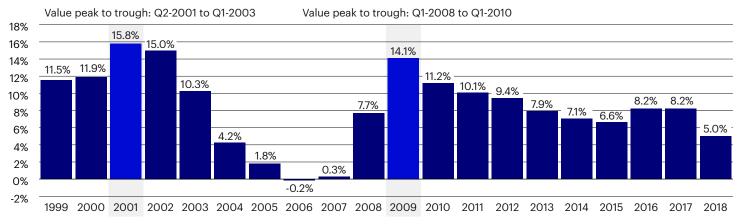
After a decline of 8.3% in 2023, the MSCI Global Property Fund Index (GPFI - natural weight in US\$) declined 3.3% in H1 2024, In local currency terms, performance was weakest in AsiaPac, while European returns in local currency were flat at 0.0%, having taken the correction earlier than North America. In contrast, developed market listed real estate saw a -2.8% total return in H1 2024 (FTSE EPRA Nareit Developed index in US\$).

Turning to occupier markets, global GDP growth slowed significantly in 2023, and except for the US, has remained muted for most other major markets in 2024. For real estate, while the combination of weak growth and cautious sentiment is likely to dampen some occupational demand, fundamentals should remain healthy for markets without excess supply, in our view. However, we are seeing clear near-term weakness in markets with excess supply, although this may be short-lived as new starts have declined significantly. We are also seeing demand becoming more discerning, focusing most strongly on better quality and more efficient spaces, thereby driving a greater bifurcation of performance within sectors.

Taking advantage of cyclicality

At the time of writing, real estate liquidity remains constrained, though with growing confidence that the downward trajectory of interest rates will likely start to increase real estate transaction volumes. Combined with the valuation corrections seen over the past two years, this is presenting opportunities to secure assets which meet our long-term investment convictions. Real estate investors historically benefited from outsized returns after market corrections. The figure below shows the US NCREIF Property Index at different times by year of first investment, and a similar pattern is evident when looking at five-year forward look returns in the other regions.

Figure 2: US NPI five-year forward unlevered total returns (%)



Year of initial investment

Based on data from NCREIF NPI, all property types, investment returns calculated from Q1 following calendar year of investment. Source: Invesco Real Estate using data from NCREIF as of August 2024. Past performance does not guarantee future results.

Figure 3:

Comparison of listed and unlisted real estate

| | Listed (Public) Real Estate | Unlisted (Private) Real Estate |
|-----------------------------|--|--|
| Return | Broadly simila the long term | r returns over (see Figure 5) |
| Risk (Volatility) | More volatile | Less volatile |
| Liquidity | Very liquid | Less liquid |
| Diversification benefit | Moderate but not as large as private real estate | Substantial over the long term |
| Investment horizon | Flexible | Generally longer term |
| Availability of information | Readily available, real-time transaction based | Improving but less readily available, mainly appraisal- based |
| Timeliness of information | Daily | Quarterly (or monthly in selected countries) |

Sources: Invesco Real Estate, Bloomberg L.P. and FTSE International Limited (FTSE) @ 2023.

Investment options in global real estate

Real estate as an asset class can be invested in through both equity and debt positions, and through listed or unlisted vehicles. In recent years, the potential paths to invest in real estate have become more varied; while global public real estate markets have long been accessible to investors, more recent industry fund launches now offer access to global unlisted real estate. Prior to that, unlisted real estate was accessible primarily through closed-end, higher-return strategies or through management-intensive direct ownership. This enhancement to the composition of available investment vehicles in the industry is providing investors with greater opportunities for diversification by adding unlisted global real estate to their portfolios.

It is noteworthy that while listed and unlisted real estate tend to have similar characteristics in the long term, they have varying characteristics in the short term, driven in large part by the liquidity component of each. Listed real estate offers daily liquidity, but this comes with higher volatility, whereas unlisted real estate generally offers only periodic liquidity, which underscores generally greater stability under normal market conditions (**Figure 3**). This is beginning to change. Increasingly, a range of unlisted vehicles is evolving that provides greater liquidity than the traditional closed-end and open-ended funds, often through a blend of direct and listed real estate.

In addition to choosing an investment vehicle, various real estate strategies exist across the risk-return spectrum that may warrant consideration depending on an investor's goals and risk tolerance. The options include core, core plus, value-add and opportunistic approaches.

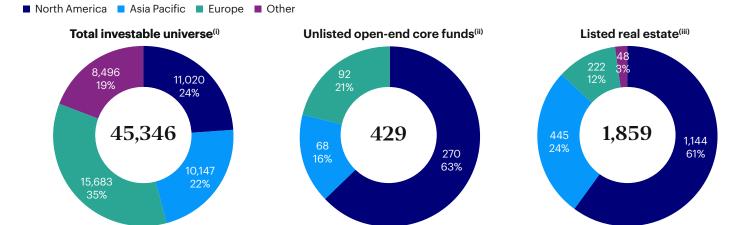
Core assets are generally stable, cash-flow producing assets with stable occupancy, while opportunistic assets represent the riskiest real estate approach, wherein investors look to achieve higher returns by tackling assets with structural or financial obstacles.

While it is likely that an institutional investor may pursue a combination of real estate approaches to achieve their performance objectives, in this paper our focus is on equity positions largely within private real estate, as unlisted real estate represents the largest share of the estimated global investable universe, while listed indices represent less than 5% of the universe based on their market capitalisation (**Figure 4**).

Global interest in real estate has continued to increase in recent years as investors seek yield amidst the ultra-low interest rate environment. Even though government bond yields have started to show modest increases, it seems likely that interest rates will remain moderate over the long term.

Figure 4:

Different measures of the global real estate universe – estimated size (US\$ billions)



Sources: Invesco Real Estate based on data from PWC Real Estate 2020: Building the future report as of December 31, 2020, MSCI Global Quarterly Property Fund Index regional compositions as of December 31, 2022, and FTSE EPRA/NAREIT Global Real Estate Index as of March 31, 2023.

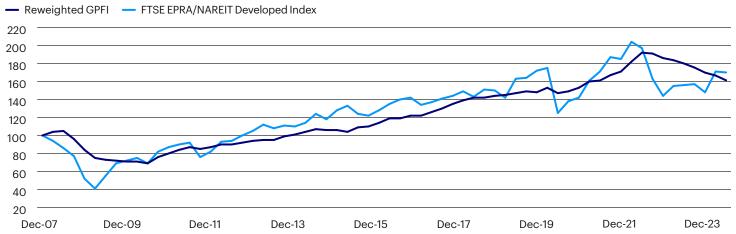
Depth and liquidity issues

While listed and unlisted real estate assets have performed somewhat similarly, they bring different qualities to a portfolio. Unlisted assets are less volatile, while listed real estate offers greater liquidity (**Figure 5**). Going global can open additional investment opportunities to access quality real estate investments. The majority of all commercial property transactions, as reported by Real Capital Analytics, take place in 34 Transparent and Highly Transparent markets (**Figure 6**). As such, it is not surprising that many investors around the world are looking abroad to source real estate deal flow.

This elevated external focus has spurred growth in transaction volumes globally. According to Real Capital Analytics, global quarterly transaction volumes have ranged from US\$129 billion to US\$822 billion since 2010 (**Figure 7**). In 2021, property transactions totaled US\$2.1 trillion, an increase of 41.5% year over year. Property transactions subsequently fell in 2022 to US\$1.9 trillion, a 12.7% decrease year over year. In 2023, transactions totaled US\$1.2 trillion, a decrease of 35.6% year over year. ²

Figure 5: Listed and unlisted real estate performance

Unlisted global real estate performance 2007-2024 Q1, December 2007=100



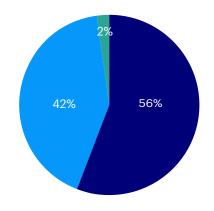
Note: All returns shown in USD.

Source: Invesco Real Estate based on data from MSCI Global Quarterly Property Fund Index and Macrobond as of March 31, 2024. "Reweighted GPFI" refers to the MSCI Global Quarterly Property Fund Index (GPFI) reweighted to 25% Asia Pacific, 25% Europe and 50% North America. Past performance is not a guide to future returns.

Figure 6: Average transaction volume 2021-23 in transparent and highly transparent countries (%) ((v)

Highly transparent countries

■ Transparent countries ■ The rest of the world

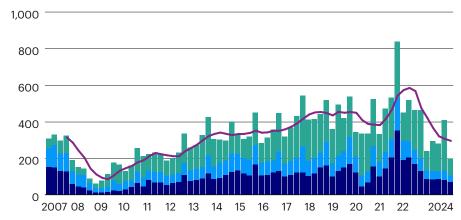


Source: Invesco Real Estate using data from JLL Transparency Index 2022 and Real Capital Analytics as of August 2024.

Figure 7: All property transaction volume 2007-24

US\$ billions, quarterly

Americas
 Europe
 Asia Pacific
 4-quarter global moving average



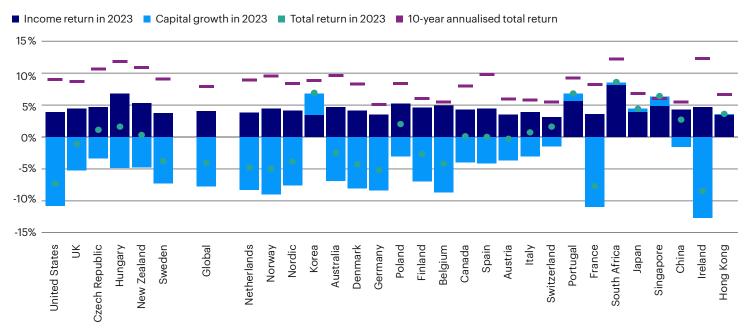
The figure relates to direct transactions involving all property types including land. Source: Invesco Real Estate based on data from Real Capital Analytics as of June 2024.

Diversification

Investors' appetite for real estate is spurred in part by the asset class's generally stable income component. Across the globe, income returns as a share of private real estate total returns have historically been quite high (**Figure 8**). Except for a few high-growth markets such as Hong Kong, annualised total returns are driven primarily by income.

Furthermore, when considered as part of a mixed-asset portfolio, the income return from real estate, both public and private, becomes even more compelling. Over the period 2001-23, global equities derived 39% of their total return from income, with 61% from capital appreciation. That 61% from appreciation was responsible for 97% of equities' total return volatility (**Figure 9**). By comparison, for real estate globally, income contributed a greater share of total return (59% for listed and 83% for unlisted real estate) and was only modestly responsible for the volatility of returns (**Figure 9**). This suggests that a portfolio that adds global real estate may diminish risk through lower volatility.

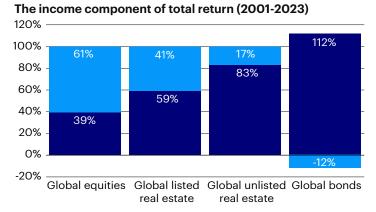
Figure 8: Total returns in 2022 and annualised averages of 2014-23 (local currency, % per annum) (v)



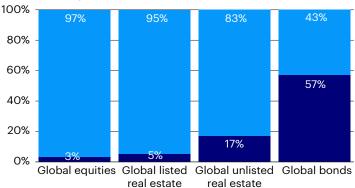
Sources: Invesco Real Estate using data from MSCI as of June 2024. Past performance is not a guarantee of future results.

Figure 9: Income and capital growth return (vi)

■ Income return
■ Capital growth return







Source: Invesco Real Estate based on data from MSCI, Bloomberg L.P. and Macrobond as of June 2024. An investment cannot be made in an index.

At its core, real estate is a local asset class, driven by local demographic and economic trends. The lack of synchronisation in economic cycles globally reduces the correlation in real estate returns; thus, moving beyond one's domestic market can offer significant diversification benefits and help dampen volatility (Figure 17). As evidenced by correlation data from unlisted property returns across 16 sizable real estate markets, there is a clear diversification of property returns around the world. Of the 16 countries shown, each had correlations below 0.8 with at least 11 other countries. Since 2007, Canada China, Hong Kong, Korea, and the United Kingdom had property return correlations below 0.8 for all of the other 15 markets and Japan, Singapore, United States, and Poland for 14 of the other 15 markets (Figure 10).

Beyond country-to-country diversification benefits, expanding one's real estate portfolio outside of one's home country to include a global mandate can also produce a smoothing effect on returns (Figure 11). This reflects unleveraged real estate total returns for 32 countries around the globe, with the purple lines each reflecting different countries' historical returns.

Over the period from 2014 to 2023, the MSCI GPFI returned an annualised average of 6.6% with a standard deviation of 4.9%. In any given year there are markets that exhibit significant outperformance and those that reflect underperformance. However, given the difficulty in timing country peaks and troughs, particularly without local expertise, a diversified global portfolio suggests a smoother trend line (Figure 11).

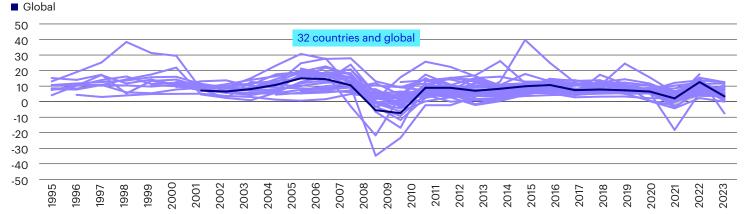
Figure 10:

Correlations of annual country all property unleveraged total returns 2007–23 – MSCI Global Property Index (vii)

| ■ Correlation (<0) ■ Correlation (<.80) ■ Correlation (>.80) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | | Ame | ricas | | | Asia F | Pacific | | | | | | Eur | оре | | | |
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| Americas | Canada | 1.00 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Ame | United States | 0.71 | 1.00 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Australia | 0.77 | 0.86 | 1.00 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Asia Pacific | China | 0.61 | 0.32 | 0.36 | 1.00 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Pac | Hong Kong | 0.72 | 0.30 | 0.47 | 0.65 | 1.00 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <u>.</u> | Japan | 0.35 | 0.68 | 0.73 | -0.10 | -0.11 | 1.00 | | | | | | | | | | |
| As | Korea | 0.40 | 0.34 | 0.53 | -0.06 | 0.22 | 0.51 | 1.00 | | | | | | | | | |
| | Singapore | 0.75 | 0.57 | 0.67 | 0.40 | 0.46 | 0.58 | 0.77 | 1.00 | 1.00 | | | | | | | |
| | UK | 0.36 | 0.55 | 0.48 | 0.17 | 0.44 | 0.23 | -0.03 | 0.01 | 1.00 | 1.00 | | | | | | |
| | France | 0.74 | 0.76 | 0.90 | 0.42 | 0.54 | 0.57 | 0.59 | 0.68 | 0.37 | 1.00 | 1.00 | | | | | |
| be | Germany | 0.26 0.51 | 0.53 0.56 | 0.59 0.73 | 0.06 0.33 | 0.02 0.29 | 0.40 0.47 | 0.10 0.66 | -0.01 | 0.39 0.21 | 0.62 0.81 | 1.00 | 1.00 | | | | |
| Europe | <u>Italy</u> Spain | 0.34 | 0.56 | 0.80 | 0.33 | 0.29 | 0.47 | 0.88 | 0.57 0.43 | 0.40 | 0.81 | 0.63 0.63 | 0.69 | 1.00 | | | |
| | Sweden | 0.54 | 0.00 | 0.89 | 0.10 | 0.09 | 0.62 | 0.38 | 0.43 | 0.40 | 0.89 | 0.03 | 0.09 | 0.82 | 1.00 | | |
| | Poland | 0.33 | 0.74 | 0.75 | 0.24 | 0.33 | 0.57 | 0.43 | 0.42 | 0.06 | 0.76 | 0.70 | 0.77 | 0.56 | 0.59 | 1.00 | |
| | Netherlands | 0.28 | 0.48 | 0.65 | 0.08 | -0.01 | 0.51 | 0.35 | 0.24 | 0.21 | 0.69 | 0.88 | 0.84 | 0.78 | 0.78 | 0.55 | 1.00 |

 $Source: Invesco\,Real\,Estate\,based\,on\,NCREIF\,and\,MSCI\,as\,of\,May\,2024.\,Note: Korea\,=\,South\,Korea.$

Figure 11: MSCI direct real estate total return by country (%, local currency, all property types)



Note: Each purple line represents the annual total return series over time for an individual country. (Viii)

Source: Invesco Real Estate using data from MSCI as of June 2024. Past performance is not a guarantee of future results.

^{*}For the US the total returns are to the year 2021 due to availability of data.

A case for long-term investing

As **Figure 11** demonstrates, local real estate market performance varies. Yet, despite a dip during the global financial crisis (GFC), the MSCI Global Quarterly Property Fund Index (an index of total returns for global open-ended core funds) has recent sustained decrease, by more than 80% since the beginning of 2014 (**Figure 12**). This would suggest that investors with a longer-term hold horizon for real estate may fare better than those who seek to time their investments.

To illustrate the impact of trying to "time the market" versus taking a long-term, disciplined approach to investing in real estate, we have sought to demonstrate several hypothetical investment scenarios yielding different results.

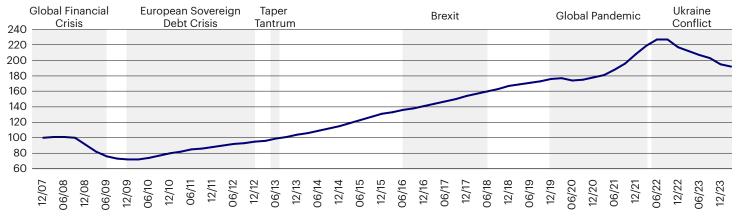
An investor with the worst timing, i.e., one that invested once only at the exact peak of the last cycle (assumed to be March 2008 for these purposes) but who held on to the investment through the subsequent decade, would have achieved a 4.1% per annum total return (**Figure 13**). And for most real estate funds, it would be normal for a large portion of this income to be paid out in dividends.

Extending the thought experiment, if another investor had also invested at the exact same peak of the market in 2008, but then had invested equal amounts each subsequent year and held until 2024 Q1, the more active investor would have achieved a 5.4% total return, with a likely 3-5% annual dividend payment.

Given the difficulty in successfully timing the market, this example suggests that an investor able to weather potential short-term volatility may yield greater returns by making a consistent allocation to real estate, regardless of the original cyclical starting point.

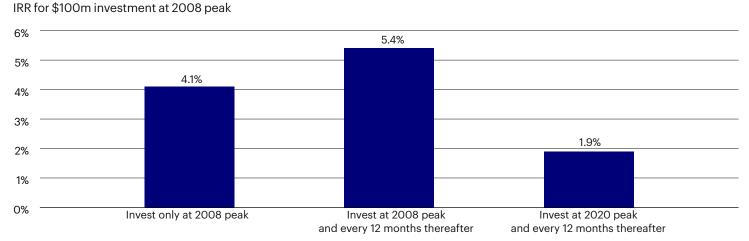
Figure 12:

Global real estate performance since 2008 MSCI Global Quarterly Property Fund Index (reweighted by region, local currencies) (ix)



Source: Invesco Real Estate using data from MSCI Global Quarterly Property Fund Index as of March 31, 2024. Past performance is not a guarantee of future results.

Figure 13: The case for long-term investing: Investment performance if you had invested US\$100 million into the reweighted GPFI at the 2008 peak (Q1 2008 - Q1 2024, % per annum)



Hypothetical US\$100 million investment into the reweighted GPFI not including the re-investment of dividends.

Reweighted GPFI refers to the MSCI Global Quarterly Property Fund Index (GPFI) in local currency being reweighted to 25% Asia Pacific, 25% Europe and 50% North America. Source: Invesco Real Estate using data from MSCI Global Quarterly Property Fund Index for the period January 01, 2008 to March 31, 2024.

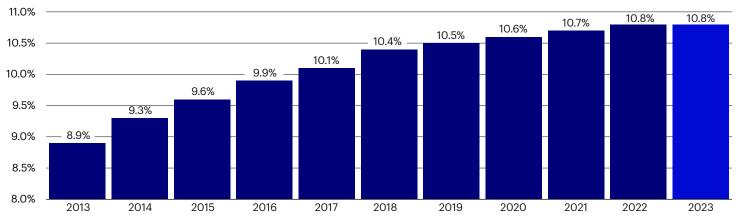
The role of global real estate within a mixed-asset portfolio

Real estate has played an increasing role in investor portfolios over the years. According to the 2023 Institutional Real Estate Allocations Monitor, which tracks 224 institutional investors representing over US\$13.4 trillion in total assets and real estate assets of approximately US\$1.2 trillion, investors' target allocations to real estate have increased from 9.3% to 10.8% since 2014 (**Figure 14**).

Figure 15 illustrates the correlations between global real estate and various global traditional asset classes. A global private real estate portfolio (represented as the Custom MSCI Global Property Index) produces very low correlations with global bonds (0.21), and low correlation with global equities (0.47) and global public real estate (0.50) suggesting a blend of public and private real estate can also create diversification benefits.

Figure 14:

Target allocations to real estate: Weighted average target allocation to real estate, all institutions, 2013-23



Source: 2023 Institutional Real Estate Allocations Monitor published by Cornell University's Baker Program in Real Estate and Hodes Weill & Associates as of August 2024.

Figure 15:

Correlations of global real estate and other asset classes (local currency returns – Q1 2008-Q1 2024) (X)
Global direct real estate weights: 25% Asia Pacific, 25% Europe, 50% North America

| Market sector index | Global Direct Re Estate Index | eal Global REIT Index | Global Infrastructure Index | Global Equity Index | Global Bond Index |
|--|----------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| Global Direct Real Estate Index Custom MSCI Global Property Index ³ | 1.00 | | | | |
| Global REIT Index FTSE EPRA/NAREIT Developed Index ⁴ | 0.50 | 1.00 | | | |
| Global Infrastructure Index Dow Jones Brookfield Global Infrastructure Index ⁵ | 0.53 | 0.88 | 1.00 | | |
| Global Equity Index MSCI World Index GR ⁶ | 0.47 | 0.87 | 0.85 | 1.00 | |
| Global Bond Index Bloomberg Global Aggregate Bond Index ⁷ | 0.21 | 0.43 | 0.43 | 0.36 | 1.00 |

 $Sources: MSCI, Bloomberg \ and \ FTSE\ EPRA/NAREIT\ Index\ as\ of\ March\ 2024\ and\ in\ US\ dollars.$

Real estate as an inflation hedge

Figure 16 shows that direct real estate assets have been mildly positively correlated to inflation since 2010, rather than the typically negative correlation seen in equities or bonds. While the table shows the relationship for the past decade, we are clear that this is a period when inflationary pressures were relatively benign, and inflation globally was largely trending lower. Taking a long-term view that the post-2020 global economic environment is expected to follow a similar pattern to the post-GFC recovery, with steady economic growth while countries seek to effect a gradual, controlled reversal of the recent balance sheet expansion, the period shown provides a useful guide to the expected performance of real estate going forward.

Global real estate as a diversifying investment

To help to visualise the impact of adding real estate, **Figure 17** shows an efficient frontier comprised of a series of "traditional" equities/bonds portfolios at various weightings. The light green line then shows clearly that by adding global real estate to a maximum possible allocation of 20%, the efficient frontier is improved with the potential to achieve either a higher return or the same level of return at lower risk.

Another way to look at this topic is to consider the effect of adding a given percentage of global real estate to a portfolio, say 10 or 20% (**Figure 17**). What could be the impact on a traditional global stocks and bonds portfolio over the next 10 years? Two conclusions are clear:

- Adding global real estate could enhance the total expected return of the portfolio for the same level of expected risk: 13bps per annum at the 10% allocation level for real estate to 25bps at the 20% level (enhanced return portfolio)
- Adding global real estate could also more meaningfully potentially reduce
 the total expected risk of the portfolio for the same level of expected return:
 113bps per annum at the 10% allocation level for real estate to 186bps at the
 20% level (enhanced return portfolio)

Figure 16: **Correlations with inflation (Local currency, Q3 2009 - Q1 2024)**

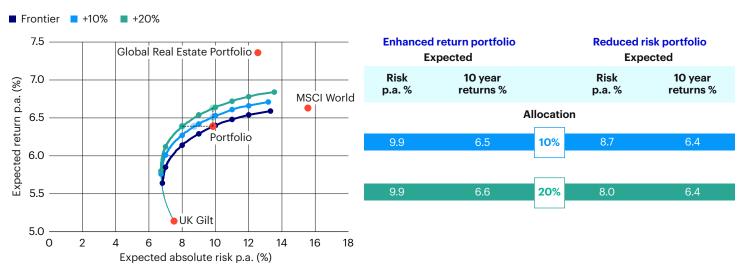
| | Global-CPI | US-CPI | Europe-CPI | APAC-CPI |
|------------------|------------|--------|------------|----------|
| Global Direct RE | 0.09 | 0.19 | -0.02 | 0.29 |
| Global REITS | -0.27 | -0.21 | -0.19 | -0.33 |
| Global Equities | -0.25 | -0.15 | -0.19 | -0.33 |
| Global Bonds | -0.37 | -0.28 | -0.43 | -0.32 |

 $Source: Invesco\,Real\,E state\,using\,data\,from\,MSCI,\,Macrobond\,and\,Bloomberg\,as\,of\,March\,31,\,2024.$

Figure 17:

Diversification: risk/return profile

Adding global real estate has offered a better risk-adjusted portfolio return (xi), (xii)



Source: Invesco Real Estate using data from Bloomberg L.P. and MSCI as of October 2023. An investment cannot be made in an index. Please note there is no guarantee the stated returns can be achieved. The stated returns do not constitute a guarantee, are hypothetical, calculated using a model fee based upon assumptions determined by Invesco, and are for illustrative purposes only. **Past performance is not a guarantee of future results.**

The "enhanced return" portfolio uses less equity than the comparable original pure equity/bond portfolio portfolio and considerably less fixed income whilst global real estate is maximised (whether 10 or 20% constraint is applied) due to its attractive return expectations.

The "reduced risk" portfolio increases fixed income and significantly reduces equity exposure (due to being generally higher risk as well as higher returning). However, to ensure the return expectation levels remain constant equity exposure is substituted for global real estate given its more attractive risk/ return profile.

Conclusion

While there are several potential motivations for investing in global real estate, an investor will also need to assess various other factors before making an allocation such as the impact of currency, tax, liquidity and pricing, as well as an assessment of internal capabilities.

Analysing global real estate markets and the different ways to invest can be a large task. An investor should assess what resources and capabilities they have to execute a global real estate allocation. Most investors may choose to participate via listed real estate, separate accounts, unlisted commingled funds or fund of funds in order to gain access to global real estate without the extensive time required to build out dedicated internal resources, much less the lead time to deploy capital at scale.

For investors considering expanding their exposure beyond their home country, listed and unlisted global real estate may potentially offer attractive returns derived from generally stable income streams, while simultaneously lowering portfolio volatility. The depth and transparency of many international markets makes cross-border investment increasingly accessible, while low correlations to other countries and alternative asset classes makes it a key tool for diversification. For many, time in the market, rather than market timing may be the simpler, better way to achieve portfolio benefits.

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- 2 Real Capital Analytics, as of March 2024.
- 3 The custom index is based on the MSCI Global Quarterly Property Fund Index (GPFI) reweighted to 50% North America, 25% Europe and 25% Asia Pacific. The GPFI is a consultative index of 101 capitalization weighted, core, open ended, quarterly valued direct real estate funds from around the world.
- 4 The index is an equity market capitalization-weighted index composed of property company constituents that trade on several global exchanges. The returns are used here to represent global real estate investment trust returns (GREITs). (N.B. GREITS are a publicly liquid equity security whose underlying assets are real estate investments. GREITs are often viewed as the liquid proxy for real estate investing).
- 5 The index is designed to measure performance of pure-play infrastructure companies domiciled globally and covers all sectors of infrastructure, including MLPs and other equities.
- 6 This index is a market capitalization-weighted index designed to capture large and mid-cap publicly traded equity representation across 23 developed markets. The index covers approximately 85% of the free float-adjusted market capitalization of the public equity markets in each country. The returns are used here to represent global equity market returns.
- 7 The index is a market capitalization-weighted index that includes Treasury securities, Government agency bonds, mortgage-backed bonds, corporate bonds, US traded investment grade bonds, and some foreign bonds traded in the US.

Notes

(i) Total investable universe market size is estimated based on each region's investable stock as defined by latest PwC real estate report as of year-end 2020, Real Estate 2020: Building the future. (ii) Regional compositions of the MSCI Global Quarterly Property Fund Index are estimated based on fund-level Net Asset Value (NAV) as of Q4 2022. Sum of parts may not add to total due to rounding. (iii) Regional market capitalization of the FTSE EPRA/NAREIT Global Real Estate Index is estimated based on the free float method as of March 2023. (iv) "Transparent universe" is estimated based on the JLL Transparency Index 2022 Edition. The JLL index was derived based on factors such as investment performance, market fundamentals, listed vehicles, regulatory/legal environment, and transaction processes in 2020. For this analysis, the transparent universe includes 33 countries, which were categories as either "Highly transparent" or "Transparent" according to JLL. Highly transparent countries include Australia, Canada, France, Germany, Ireland, Netherlands, New Zealand, Sweden, United Kingdom and United States. Transparent countries include Austria, Belgium, China, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, Hong Kong, Hungary, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malaysia, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Singapore, Slovakia, South Africa, South Korea, Spain, Switzerland, Taiwan, and Thailand. Transaction data is based on the average of 2021-2023 data reported to Real Capital Analytics as of August 2024. (v) Annualized averages are generally calculated based on the geometric averages of total returns in 2014-2023. (vi) Shares of total returns are approximate values which exclude residual effects. Both returns and standard deviations were derived based on 20 years (2001-2023) of annual income return and capital growth histories or longest history available. Global equity performance is calculated based on the MSCI World Index. Global bond performance is calculated based on the Bloomberg L.P. Global Aggregate Index. Global listed real estate performance is calculated based on the FTSE EPRA/NAREIT Global Developed Index. Global unlisted real estate performance is calculated based on the MSCI Global Property Index. (vii) Correlations generally use the longest available common time period (2007-2023). Correlations involving China are calculated using the longest available period (2007-2022). The MSCI Global Property Fund Index (GPFI) incorporates a consistent dataset of unlisted core open-ended funds across the globe and tracks core real estate performance in the primary investment regions - Asia Pacific, Europe and North America. (viii) Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, China, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Hong Kong, Hungary, Indonesia, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Malaysia, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Singapore, South Africa, South Korea, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, Thailand, UK, USA, Global. (ix) MSCI Global Quarterly Property Fund Index (GPFI) was reweighted to 50% North America, 25% Europe and 25% Asia Pacific. (x) Correlations were calculated using the longest available common time period from 1Q 2008 through 2Q 2023. (xi) Analysis - We have taken the portfolio analysis, using proxy assets, within our Vision work space. Invesco Vision is a portfolio management decision support system which provides insightful information about the risks and return trade-offs presented by individual assets and portfolios. Evaluating risk - Vision uses a robust risk model called MSCI BarraOne for estimating risk by extrapolating factor exposures of the various portfolio investments. These BarraOne factors are used as building blocks to represent each investment. We estimate long-term potential risks based on current positioning, as opposed to measuring the realised standard deviations. The risk statistics are calculated using an exponentially-weighted covariance matrix with an 8-year half-life. This means that all data points are used with the more recent data points assigned a greater weighting. Estimating returns - Invesco Investment Solutions develop proprietary capital market assumptions that provide long-term estimates for the behaviour of major asset classes globally. The assumptions, which are based on a 10-year investment time horizon, are then applied to the portfolio to estimate long-term portfolio returns. (xii) For illustrative purposes only. Portfolio data presented does not constitute investment advice nor investment recommendations. The expected return and risk is not a guarantee. An investment cannot be made into an index. Please note the non-GBP exposures have been hedged. The risk model is based on the Barra one model. Forecasts are not reliable indicators of future performance. UK gilt = Bloomberg Global Aggregate Bond Index, global equities = MSCI World Index.

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