

Aroundtown and Sirius join FTSE EPRA/NAREIT Developed Europe Real Estate Index

Aroundtown and Sirius, real estate companies primarily investing in the German real estate market and respectively listed on the Frankfurt and London/Johannesburg stock exchanges, were yesterday accepted for inclusion in the FTSE EPRA/NAREIT Developed Europe Index, following the quarterly index review. The effective date of the inclusion is 19 March 2018.

Dominique Moerenhout, EPRA CEO, said: “The inclusion of Aroundtown and Sirius represents another solid step in the expansion of the Developed Europe Index. Both companies are mainly investing in the German market, which has seen strong growth over the past five years. As existing EPRA members, I’d also like to congratulate them on reaching the next stage in their corporate development by being admitted to the Index alongside their successful market peers.”

Aroundtown is the largest listed German commercial real estate company with a market capitalisation of close to EUR 6 billion (March 1, 2018) and its portfolio consists of largely commercial with some residential properties, mainly located in top tier cities in Germany but also in the Netherlands. The company focuses on value-add and income generating assets and it also holds a substantial interest in Grand City Properties, winner of EPRA’s inaugural ‘Outstanding Contribution to Society Award’ presented at the association’s Conference in London last year.

Shmuel Mayo, CEO of Aroundtown, said: “Aroundtown is thankful to see that FTSE and EPRA have acknowledged the fruits and consolidation of our efforts by adding us to their main indices. We are very proud of our strong position and development in the capital markets and believe the inclusion to these major indices will increase our visibility and tradability and further position us as a leading real estate player in the global real estate market.

UK-listed Sirius has a market capitalisation of around EUR 560 million (March 1, 2018) and owns and operates business parks, offices and industrial complexes across Germany.

Andrew Coombs, CEO of Sirius, said: “EPRA is the benchmark Index for institutional property investors and we are therefore delighted to be included in the EPRA main listings from March 2018. This is particularly important for Sirius who as a dual listed company operating in Germany attracts investor interest from multiple geographies, and so with EPRA inclusion this will enable European investors to truly measure Sirius’ performance against that of our peers.”

The inclusion of Aroundtown and Sirius takes the total number of Index constituents to 103. In order to qualify for inclusion in the FTSE EPRA/NAREIT Developed Europe Index the companies had to pass the EUR 208 million free float market capitalisation and EPRA liquidity criteria as well as passing reporting and EBITDA tests.

The [Ground Rules](#) for Index inclusion are publicly available on the EPRA website.

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