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## *Pressemitteilung*

### **Warburg-HIH Invest's "TOP 7" Fund is Fully Invested after Acquisition of "Hanse Forum"**

**Hamburg, 1 August 2018** – Warburg-HIH Invest Real Estate acquired the Hanse Forum office property in Hamburg. The seller is Standard Life Investments European Real Estate Club L.P II (Euro Club II). An equity interest of nearly 50 percent in the property was added to the "Warburg-HIH TOP 7 Deutsche Metropolen Immobilien Invest" special AIF. The other interest of roughly 50 percent is earmarked for the "Deutschland Selektiv Immobilien Invest" fund. With its equity interest in Hanse Forum factored in, the TOP 7 fund reached its envisioned total investment volume of c. 400 million euros, having employed its 200 million euros in equity capital to build up a high-end real estate portfolio as planned. It was agreed not to disclose the purchase price.

Raised in 2002, the Hanse Forum scheme with its gross lettable area of 15,000 square metres is one of the most conspicuous new-build office buildings in downtown Hamburg. WeWork, a provider of collaborative workspaces, signed a lease for 7,800 square metres over a 20-year term plus renewal option last year. At the moment, the weighted average unexpired lease term in the multi-tenant building is 12.3 year WALT while the occupancy rate is 96 percent. "What makes Hanse Forum so attractive is particularly its central, dynamically growing location between the Springer buildings and the Stadthöfe complex. Moreover, the building boasts a robust tenant mix, a modern and flexible floor plan, a high-end interior fit-out and a sound parking space ratio. The asset thus demonstrates a sustainable value retention," said Hans-Joachim Lehmann, Managing Director at Warburg-HIH Invest and head of the Transaction Management Germany unit.

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savings bank organisation, superannuation schemes and foundations. The fund has an evergreen structure and a target return of up to 4.5 percent.

The open-ended special AIF “TOP 7 Deutsche Metropolen Immobilien Invest” for institutional investors was launched in collaboration with the NORD/LB state bank.

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## About Warburg-HIH Invest

Warburg-HIH Invest Real Estate (Warburg-HIH Invest) is a real estate investment manager serving institutional investors and covering the entire spectrum of national and international real estate investments. Warburg-HIH Invest is one of Germany’s leading managers of special AIF for real estate, with real estate assets of c. EUR 6.8 billion under management. Warburg-HIH Invest can demonstrate a comprehensive track record in designing and implementing bespoke investment solutions. Warburg-HIH Invest, as a quality provider, supplies products and services with added value. This pursuit matches the quality standards set by both of its shareholders, HIH Real Estate and the private bank M.M.Warburg & CO founded in 1798.

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