

Generational Transition at Art-Invest Real Estate Funds: Eren Kahraman Takes Over as Managing Director from Philipp Henkels

- Philipp Henkels, founder of Art-Invest Real Estate Funds, will step down from the management board effective June 30, 2026.
- Eren Kahraman will join the executive board on July 1, 2026.
- Continuity and stability through internal succession: Eren Kahraman joins Jan Dührkoop and Jörg Hennebach on the management team.

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At Art-Invest Real Estate Funds, the asset management company of the Art-Invest Real Estate Group regulated by BaFin, there will be a change in the management team at the end of this month. Philipp Henkels, who has been a managing director since Art-Invest Real Estate Funds was founded in 2011, will step down from the management board on 30 June 2026. With effect from 1 July, Eren Kahraman has been appointed to the management board by the supervisory board of Art-Invest Real Estate Funds, joining Jan Dührkoop and Jörg Hennebach on the existing board.

Eren Kahraman has been part of Art-Invest Real Estate Funds since its inception in 2011. During this time, his responsibilities included overseeing the BaFin approval process for the launch and management of open-ended special funds, as well as establishing the company's risk management system. In the years that followed, he took on responsibility for the group's debt financing operations. Going forward, in accordance with the division of responsibilities, his additional duties will include, alongside Finance, the areas of Sustainability (ESG) and Human Resources.

"I have enjoyed 25 years of trusting collaboration with Philipp Henkels. Art-Invest's success story is inextricably linked to Philipp Henkels. I would like to thank him warmly for his successful and fiduciary work and wish him all the best for the future. At the same time, I look forward to continuing our successful collaboration with Eren Kahraman in his new role. This internal succession reflects the high level of continuity and organic development within our group," said Jan Dührkoop, Managing Director of Art-Invest Real Estate Funds.

"I am delighted to be taking on the role of Managing Director of Art-Invest Real Estate Funds from 1 July. Having been with the company since its foundation, I am very familiar with its development, its values and its high standards of quality. Together with my colleagues, I aim to further strengthen our market position and lead the company into the future with vision, reliability and innovative drive. I would like to express my special thanks to everyone who has supported me along the way and placed their trust in me," said Eren Kahraman.

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Art-Invest Real Estate Funds was founded in 2011 as an asset and investment management company and received authorisation from BaFin in 2012 to launch specialised property funds. Since then, the company has steadily developed into an established provider of regulated investment funds. As of 31 December 2025, the company managed around EUR 7.2 billion in equity across 26 institutional vehicles, which are overseen by around 80 staff members.

About Art-Invest Real Estate

Art-Invest Real Estate is a long-term investor, asset manager and property developer specialising in properties in prime locations with potential for value creation. The company focuses on metropolitan regions in Germany, Austria, the United Kingdom and Scandinavia. Art-Invest Real Estate pursues a 'Manage to Core' investment strategy in collaboration with institutional investors, selected joint venture partners and using its own capital. The range of investments spans the entire risk-return spectrum across the office, city-centre retail, hotel, residential and school sectors.

The company was founded in 2010 by the managing partners and the Zech Group. Since 2012, more than 25 investment funds have been launched via its own capital management company for institutional investors such as pension funds and foundations. In total, Art-Invest Real Estate currently manages property assets worth around €12.5 billion. With over 300 employees, Art-Invest Real Estate is now one of the largest developers of offices and hotels in Germany.

Throughout the property value chain, Art-Invest Real Estate acts as an innovation leader through its portfolio companies: 'BitStone Capital' as a venture capital firm, 'i Live' as a developer and operator of micro-living and serviced apartments, and 'The Chocolate on the Pillow Group' as a hotel management company. For further information, visit www.art-invest.de.

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