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## Patron Capital wins the Social Impact Award at EG Awards 2020



Patron Capital, the pan-European institutional investor focused on property-backed investments, has won the Social Impact Award at this year's EG Awards 2020.

The Social Impact Award recognises a business that has used its position and status to deliver a positive impact on society, through partnership, investment, pro-bono work or employee-led initiatives, in particular those that achieve a lasting impact and with the potential for wider application.

The judges chose Patron Capital due to its ongoing charitable initiatives, continued efforts to help others during this challenging year and work as the co-founder and joint manager of the WISH Fund, for which the judges noted that it was “tackling a huge issue” and that “its vision for social impact far exceeds what is being done in the industry.”

The Women in Safe Homes (WISH) Fund is believed to be the world's first gender-lens property fund and was announced by Patron Capital, Resonance and Big Society Capital in November 2019 to tackle the lack of affordable, safe homes in the UK for women who at risk of homelessness.

Alongside the potential of a financial return for investors from rent and capital appreciation, the fund has a strong focus on achieving substantial positive social impact by supporting women in challenging circumstances. This will be achieved by providing them with housing and access to the support networks needed to help them rebuild their lives by partnering with women's sector charities. The WISH Fund aims to provide around 750 affordable homes across the UK and has already formed its partnerships with leading women's sector charities to offer safe homes.

The EG Awards took place as a virtual ceremony on Thursday 29 October 2020. Judged by a panel of industry leading experts, the EG Awards celebrate the best of the property world, rewarding the success of companies and individuals both nationally and internationally.

**Keith Breslauer, Managing Director of Patron Capital, said:**

*“Along with being a huge success for Patron Capital, this award is a very meaningful one for the team and me. I set up Patron Capital with the desire to change the world around us, and the team works incredibly hard to achieve this, through our charitable initiatives or our WISH Fund. I’m immensely proud of everyone at Patron Capital for always going above and beyond, and this award highlights the commitment we make to creating a positive difference to society. Thank you to the team and EG - this means a lot to us all.”*

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**About Patron Capital Partners**

Patron represents approximately €4 billion of capital across several funds and related co-investments, investing in property, corporate operating entities whose value is primarily supported by property assets and distressed debt and credit related businesses.

Since it was established in 1999, Patron has undertaken more than 170 transactions across 80 investments and programs involving over 65 million square feet (6 million square metres) in 16 countries, with many of these investments realised.

Investors represent a variety of sovereign wealth funds, prominent universities, major institutions, private foundations, and high net worth individuals located throughout North America, Europe, Asia and the Middle East. The main investment adviser to the Funds is Patron Capital Advisers LLP, which is based in London, and Patron has other offices across Europe including Barcelona, Milan and Luxembourg; the group is comprised of 73 people, including a 41-person investment team.

Further information about Patron Capital is available at [www.patroncapital.com](http://www.patroncapital.com)