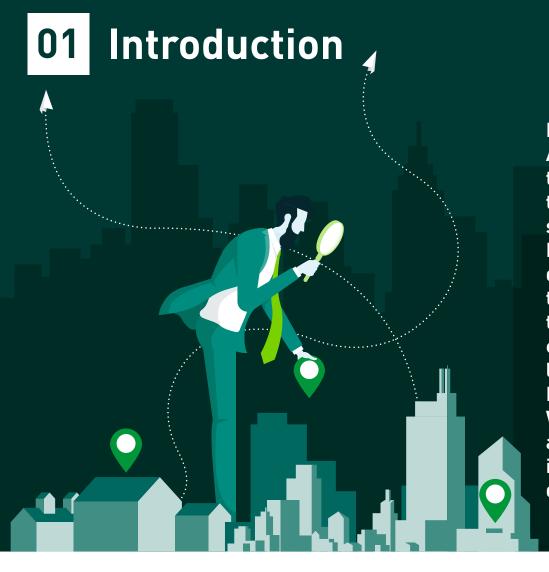
# **Real Estate Barometer**

Trends and key figures from the Real Estate sector on Euronext markets - H1 2021









**Euronext and EPRA (the European Public Real Estate** Association) are pleased to publish the third edition of the Real Estate Barometer, which analyses the key trends and figures of the listed European Real Estate sector. The Real Estate Barometer delves into Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs) and real estate developers listed on Euronext markets, and analyses the performance and valuation of EPRA indices, which track a basket of listed European real estate companies. In this last edition, figures for Italian listed Real Estate were included, following Borsa Italiana joining the Euronext franchise. With this Barometer, Euronext and EPRA aim to raise awareness about this sector as well as provide the investor community with key analytics on recent developments.



## **Market Capitalisation**



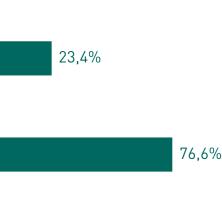
As of 30 June 2021 – there were 80 real estate issuers listed on Euronext's main markets (excluding MTFs and Fixing), valued at a combined c.

#### 136 billion £

France represents the largest market for real estate issuers with 26 listed companies, followed by 24 in Belgium, 9 in the Netherlands and Italy, 7 in Norway, 4 in Ireland and 1 in Portugal.

#### MARKET CAPITALISATION Split by Real Estate Speciality

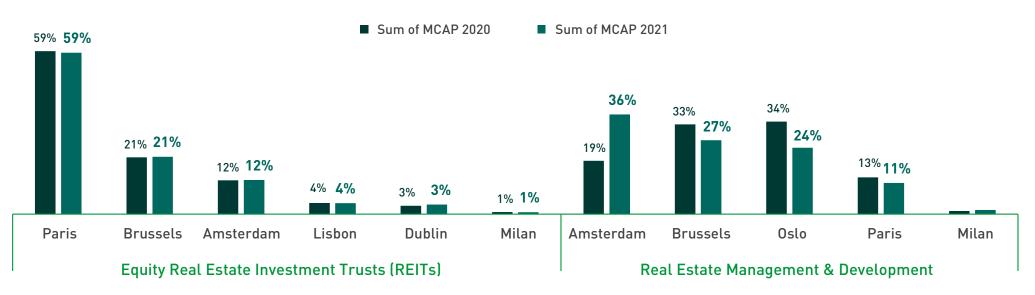
Real Estate Management & Development Equity Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs)



Market capitalisation remains concentrated around Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs) which account for



#### **REITS AND DEVELOPERS MARKET CAPITALISATION** 2020 FY vs 2021 H1



Comparing FY20 with 1H21 figures, we observe a clear progression, with market capitalisation increasing across all geographies and in both sub-sectors, for a total increase of **c. EUR 23 billion**. REITs saw their market cap increasing by c. EUR 13 billion, supported by strong progression of French REITs. Belgian REITs added c. EUR 3 billion to their size. On the Developers side, Dutch issuers posted the biggest market cap. Progression for a total of **c. + EUR 7 billion**. Looking back at 2019 market size, only Belgian REITs saw an increase since then. For Developers, again Belgian issuers grew since 2019, together with Norwegian issuers.



## Performance



According to EPRA figures, the FTSE EPRA Nareit Developed Europe Index represented a total market capitalisation of €271 billion as of 30 June 2021, marking a 10.2% increase since 31 December 2020. Across the Euronext locations, the best performing country was Belgium/Luxembourg with +15% market cap. increase YTD, closely followed by the Netherlands with +14.5% and Italy with +12.8%.

FTSE EPRA/NAREIT Norway Index

Looking at longer-term performance (3yr), the clear outperformer is Norway, with an annualised 36% market cap increase.

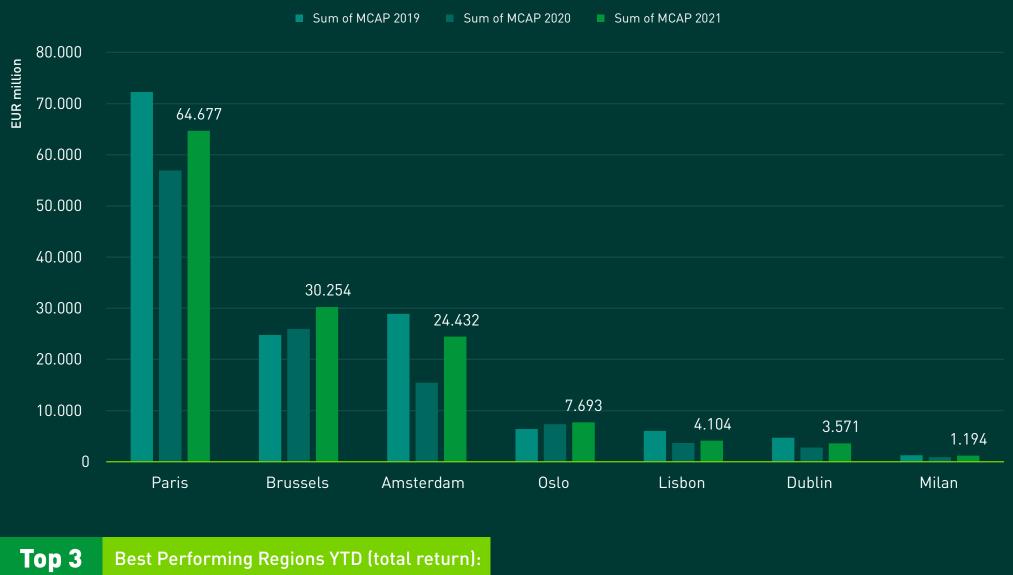
> On a European level, Swedish and Austrian indices post respectively a 31.3% and 21.3% market cap. Increase respectively, placing them as the top performing regions YTD.

**REITs and Developers Price Performance by Location (in %)** 



After an initial recovery in the second half of 2020, the Euronext real estate sector consolidated its positive trajectory in H1 2021. Indeed, although the sector posted an overall loss for FY 2020 due to the COVID-19 induced crisis, both REITs and Developers posted a sound increase in H1 supported by a positive performance on the REITs side. On average, REITs secured a 10.6% price increase YTD, whilst developers advanced c. 20%. Italian and French developers were the clear outperformers in this first half of the year.

Market Capitalisation Evolution by Euronext Locations 





The FEN Dev. Europe Index posted a TR of 9,56% YTD (in June 2021)

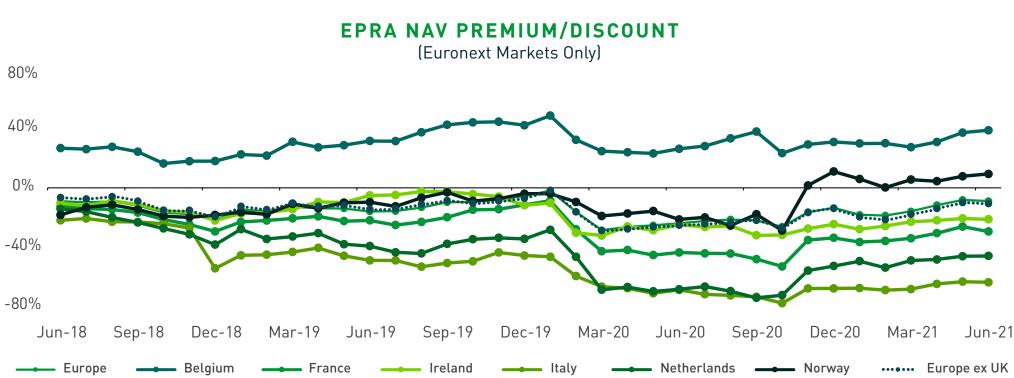
Looking at sub-sector total returns, Self-storage is the best performing YTD with more than 24% increase, followed by Industrial and Retail, the latter starting a recovery after some underperformance in the last years. Despite some differences in performance, all sub-sectors are in the green during H1 2021, with the exception of Lodging/resorts, down by around 2.8%. On a long-term basis, once again all segments are in the green, with strong outperformance of Industrial. Over 3-years, retail is still in negative territory, down by **19.9%** on an annualised basis. Lodging/resorts are near par at -0.3% looking at annualise figures.



self-storage

industrial

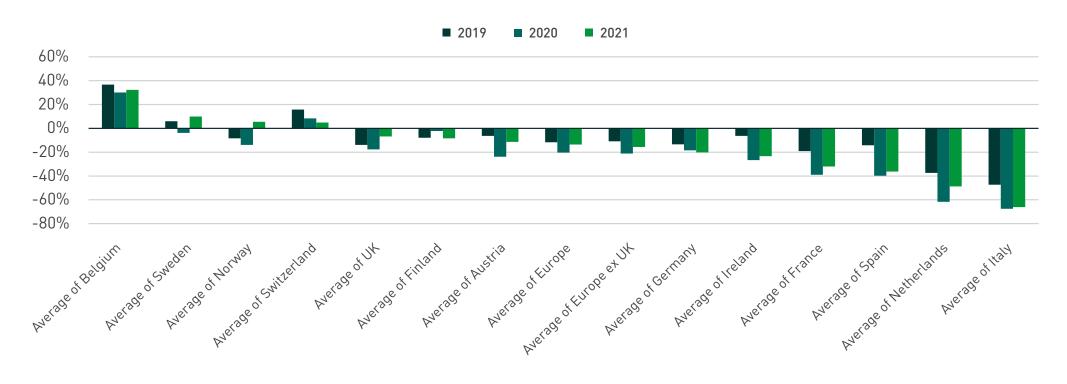




Net Asset Value discount stood at 8.9% for total listed real estate companies as of 30 June 2021 according to EPRA figures,

down from 13.5% discount as of 31 December 2020. The valuation reset observed last year appears to have

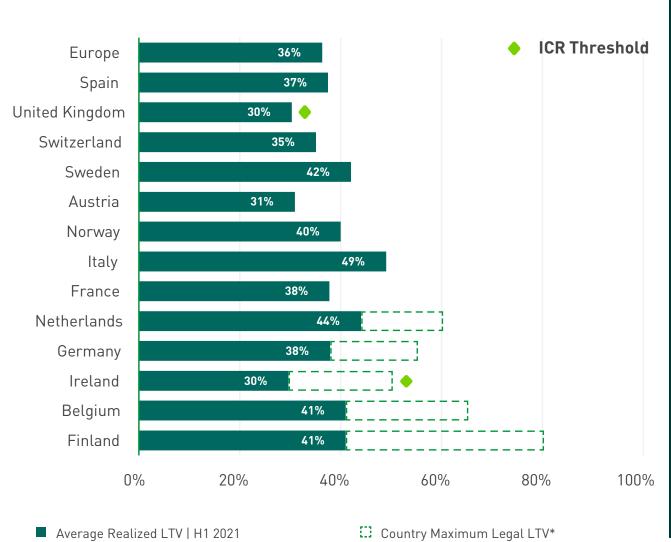
reversed since the beginning of the year, with an overall decrease in discount across all markets (9.3% on average comparing Q4 2020 and Q2 2021).



Consistently with historical figures, Belgium remains the country with the highest valuation, trading at a NAV premium of 38.75% as of 30 June. Sweden, Switzerland and Norway are now also trading at a premium to NAV. Italian and Dutch listed real estate trade at the highest discount in Europe, respectively 63.6% and 45.9% as of June 30.







Loan to Value (LTV) remains stable throughout European countries with an average LTV of
36.3%
as of end-June.
Compared to European average, Irish and British listed real estate have a lower level of indebtedness with c. 30% LTV. Ireland sets a maximum LTV of 50% as well as a minimum ICR of 1.25:1. On the other hand, the UK sets a minimum ICR equal to the Irish requirements. Italian listed real estate shows the highest LTV level with 49%.
In Europe, <mark>5 countries</mark> have a legal LTV threshold going from <mark>55% in Germany to 80%</mark> in Finland.
Other countries <b>do not have strict regulations</b> for LTV levels.
*The maximum legal loan-to-value ratio is the largest allowable ratio of a loan's size in relation to the value of the property as stated by the law.

#### **Trading Activity** 05



Top 3 Most Active Liquidity Providers in the Sector **KBC Banque Degroof** Kepler

After an exceptional 2020 with respect to trading volumes, liquidity has come back to normal levels in 1H21, with ADT coming back to 2019 levels – around EUR 2.9 million for the entire sector on average. The figure compares to an average of EUR 3.4 million observed in 2020 FY.

Petercam

Securities

However, looking at the two sub-sectors, Developers saw their ADT doubling since 2019, and now at EUR 1.2 million daily.

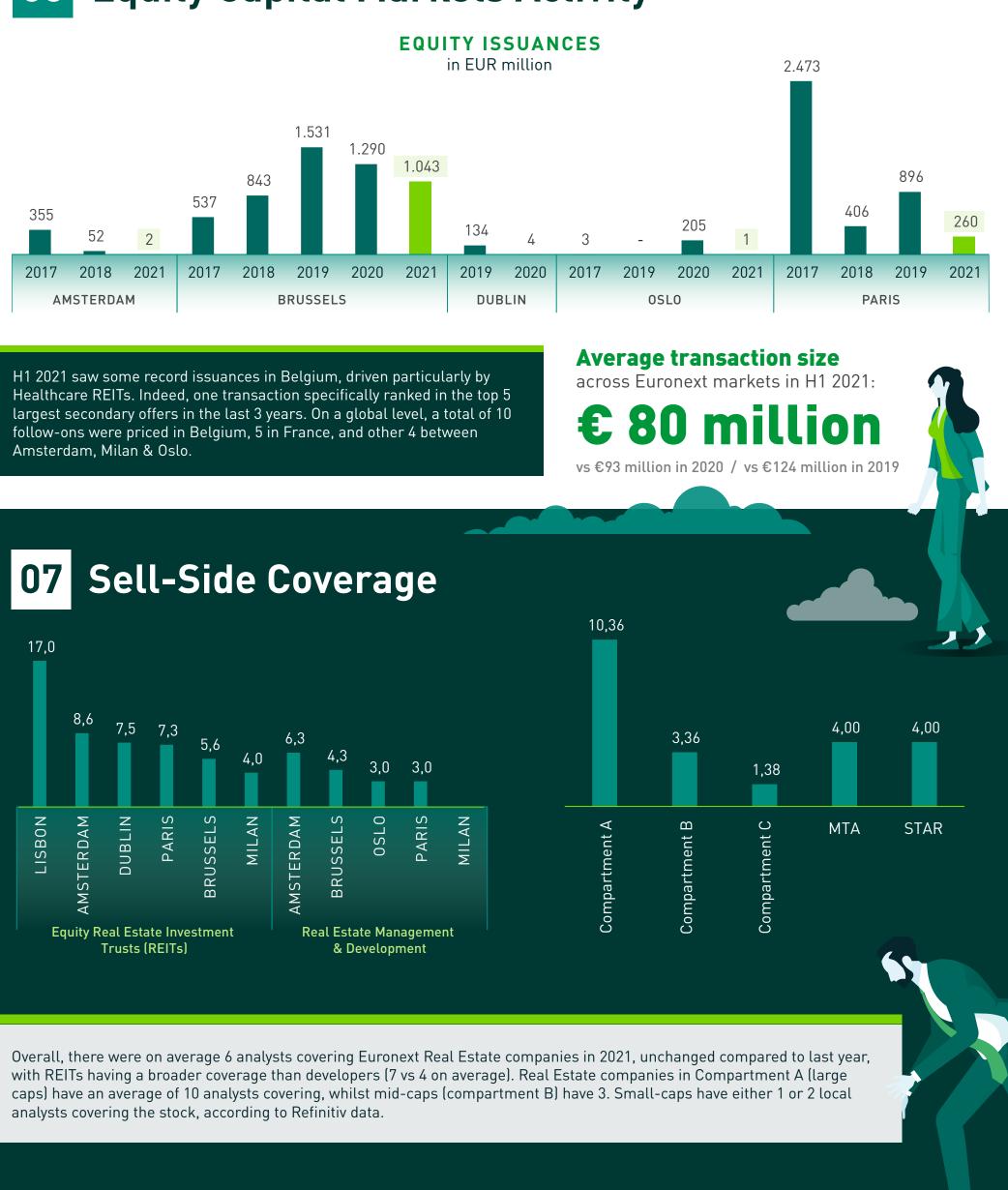
Liquidity has gone up across all locations, with a particular uptick for Norwegian and Italian Developers.

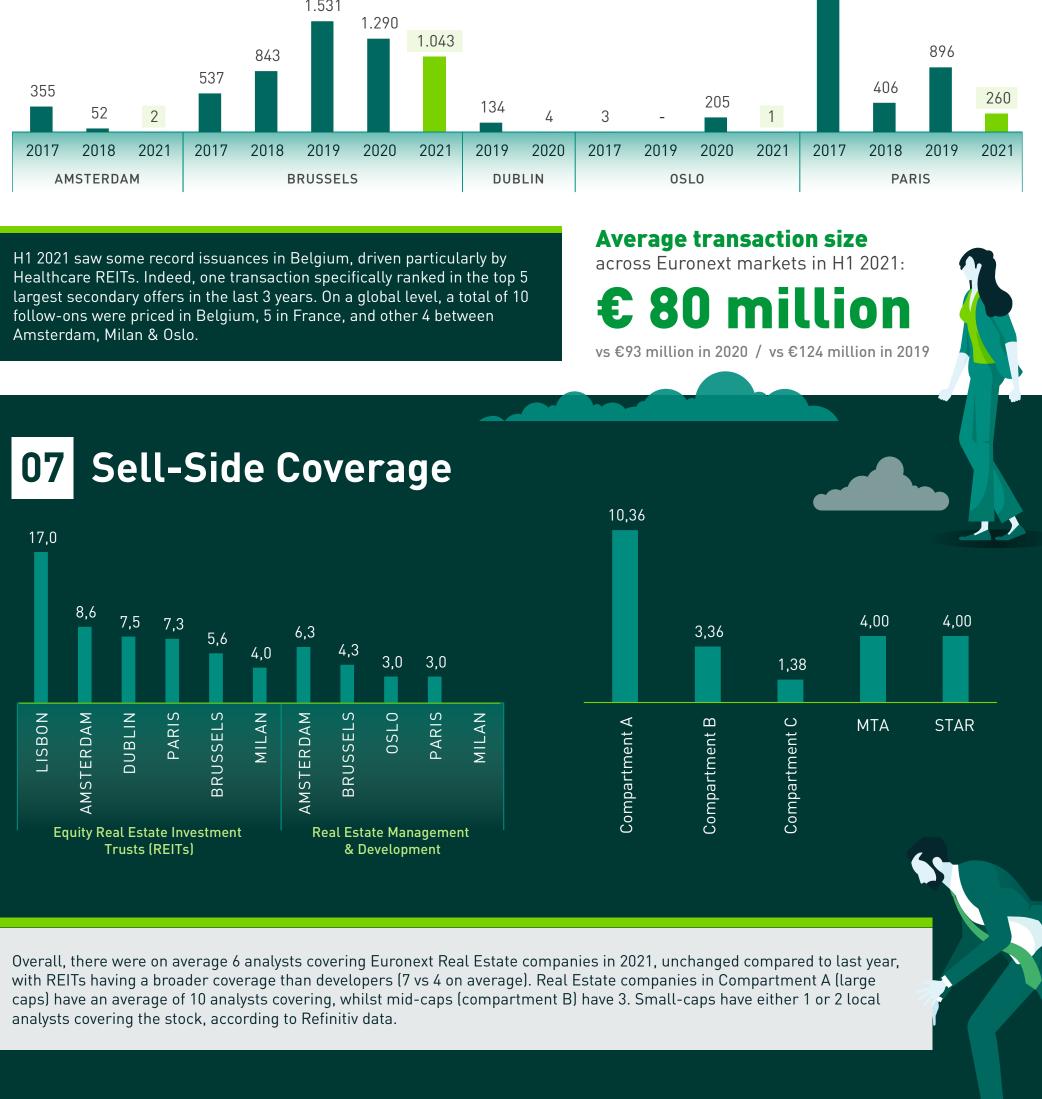
Only Dutch developers see their liquidity unchanged and in line with 2019 figures.

The strong sector liquidity is supported by, among others, a solid franchise of Liquidity Providers (LP) across all Euronext locations. As of June 2021, KBC Securities LP covers the most real estate issuers (13), followed by Banque Degroof Petercam (11) and Kepler Cheuvreux (6).

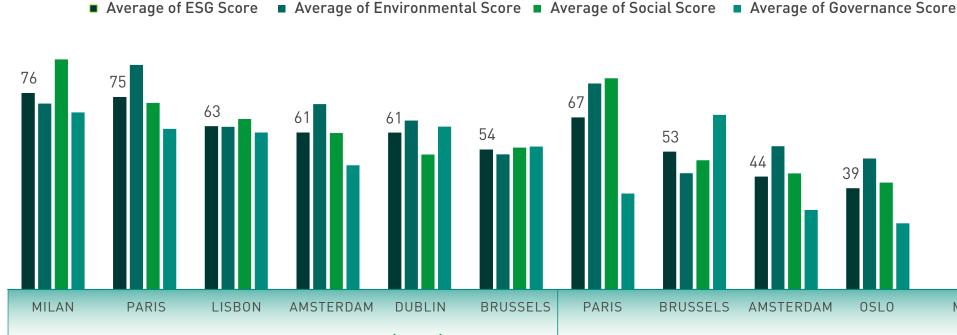
#### **Equity Capital Markets Activity** 06

Cheuvreux





#### Sustainability – ESG Scores 80



Equity Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs)

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**Real Estate Management & Development** 

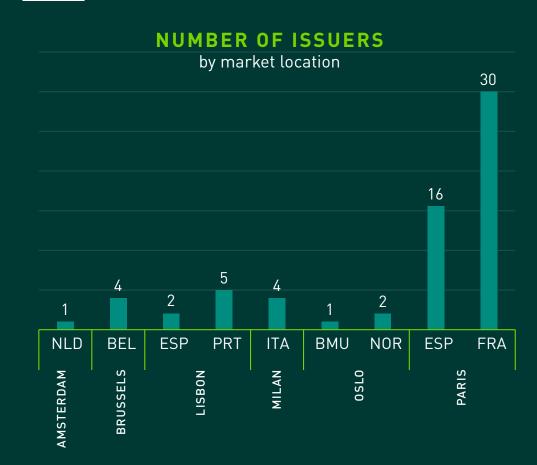
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Looking at the Refinitiv Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) scoring\*, the REITS sector in the 7 Euronext countries scores a **B** on average (63/100, or "good"), in line with the whole of the real estate sector. Looking at the different countries more specifically, Italian issuers perform best with an average score of A- (excellent), whilst Belgian and Norwegian issuers score an average of B- (good) and C (satisfactory) respectively. Across all locations, we identify a weakness on Governance score more specifically, which drives overall scoring down across both segments.



## **MTF and Double Auction-Listed Issuers**

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Across Euronext markets, 50 real estate companies are currently traded through auction trading (fixing). Of those, 36 are listed on a multilateral trading facility (MTF: Euronext Growth, Euronext Access or Euronext Expand). An additional 10 companies are listed on an MTF, but trading under a continuous scheme.

The aggregate market capitalisation of these companies totaled c. €4.7 billion as of 30 June compared to €4.1 billion end of 2020.

Most of these issuers were based in France, followed by Spain and Portugal. In terms of split by location, issuers were mostly listed in Paris (42). Euronext markets increasingly attract international REITs from Spain and Portugal, which are looking for a gateway to access European capital markets. Since specific investment vehicles were established in Spain (SOCIMIs) and Portugal (SIGIs), a series of companies have listed on our markets. As of 30 June 2021, 19 Spanish REITs (Socimis) are listed on

Euronext markets. 18 of those on MTFs: 2 in Lisbon and 16 in Paris. Out of those, 5 SOCIMIs and SIGIs were newly listed in H1 2021.

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