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**08:00 Registration & Networking Coffee**

**08:30 Investor Breakfast Briefing** (off-the-record, open to institutional investors only, RSVP required)

**Presentation: Global real estate trends as seen by PERE– Exclusive insight into PERE's data**

*Backed by PERE's proprietary data, this session unveils the key trends shaping global real estate investment. Our Research & Analytics team will provide data-driven insights into capital flows, sector performance, and emerging opportunities, offering investors a unique perspective on the forces shaping the market.*

*A printed hard copy of the report will be circulated exclusively to attending investors.*

Presenter: Ethan Koh, Head of Global Research Operations, **PEI Group**

**09:30 Welcome & Opening Remarks**

Conference Chair:

**09:35 View from the Commentary Box – PERE Editor reflects on H1'25 and where we're headed from here**

*Reflecting on the first half of the year, figuring out where we are in the investment cycle, and where the real estate industry is headed from here.*

Speaker: Christie Ou, Senior Reporter, **PERE**

**09:40 Keynote Interview**

Keynote Speaker: David Kim, Head of Real Estate Platform, **NPS**

**10:00 C-suite panel: The next big bet – What the next cycle means for real estate**

*With markets at a turning point, are we past the bottom of the cycle, or is more turbulence ahead? How are leaders assessing geopolitical risks, interest rate uncertainty, and structural shifts in global capital flows? This panel brings together C-suite leaders from the world's largest*

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*real estate funds to discuss where they see the most exciting opportunities in real estate, what's keeping them up at night, and how they're positioning their portfolios for long-term success.*

**Speakers:**

Juan Pepa, Founder and Managing Partner, **Stoneshield Capital**

Moderator: Joyce Lo, Director, Private Capital Advisory, Real Assets Specialist, **Lazard**

**10:40 Coffee Break**

**11:10 Presentation**

**11:30 Panel: Cross-border capital flows – Finding a footing in Europe's recovery**

*Europe is still heavily impacted with geopolitical uncertainty after last year's turbulent elections and the region is still reeling from the macroeconomic headwinds that caused a higher cost of capital. However, real estate markets are bottoming out and green shoots of growth are now visible across select markets. Panelists will share insights into the strategies and approaches they expect will yield the best results amid the region's recovery.*

**Speakers:**

Michael Abel, Founder & CEO, **GREYKITE**

Seonghun Min, Professor, The Department of Urban Planning and Real Estate, **The University of Suwon**, Investment Committee Member, **NPS, GEPS, HUF**

Tom Elviss, Fund Manager UK Real Estate, **Columbia Threadneedle Investments**

Moderated by: Kyung Paik, Head of Korea, **Shelter Rock Capital Group**

**12:10 Networking Lunch**

**13:20 Investor Panel: The evolution of Korean institutional investors – Lessons learnt & the road ahead**

*Korea's leading institutional investors share insights into their journey of navigating market turbulence, from overexposure to certain sectors to financing and exit challenges. With lessons learned from past cycles, how are they restructuring their portfolios, diversifying across sectors, and managing liquidity constraints? What role will real estate continue to play in their strategies, and how do they see opportunities evolving in today's macro environment? Get firsthand perspectives on how Korea's most influential investors are preparing for the future.*

**Speakers:**

Dongkwan Han, Principal Investment Team Leader, **Sungdam**

Rachel Seunghye Kim, Senior Portfolio Manager, **AIA Life Korea**

Seung-hwan Hwang, Head of Global Real Asset Fund Investment, **Hanwha Asset Management**

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Moderated by: Andrew Shin, Former Head of Investment, Korea, **WTW**

## 14:00 **Panel: Cross-border capital flows – Targeting growth & returns in Trump’s America**

*The U.S. real estate market offers both opportunities and complexities for global investors with Trump’s second term in office. This panel examines how cross-border capital is engaging with key sectors, managing risks from fluctuating interest rates, inflation, and geopolitical uncertainties, and positioning for long-term growth and returns.*

**Speakers:**

Chad Buchanan, Founder & Managing Partner, **Twin Light Capital**

Doyle Kim, Managing Director, **Hana Securities**

Ben Harris, Head of **Rockpoint Industrial**

Moderated by: Soo Jin Kang Isicoff, Corporate/M&A Attorney, **Lewis Brisbois**

## 14:40 **Panel: Navigating the diversity of APAC real estate and unlocking APAC’s high-growth markets**

*Are Japan and Australia still considered staples for Korean LPs’ portfolios? What other secondary cities and emerging economies can be considered the next frontier? A deep dive into the risk-reward profiles of APAC’s diverse real estate markets and the exit strategies in a region that is rapidly evolving.*

**Speakers:**

Matthias Naumann, CIO APAC, Real Estate, **DWS Real Estate**

Ben Hickey, Head of Australasia Real Estate, **Blackrock**

## 15:20 **Coffee Break**

## 15:50 **Panel: Fluctuating interest rates – How Debt Funds Navigate Opportunity and Risk**

*Fluctuating interest rates are creating new opportunities for real estate debt funds and institutional investors. This panel examines how fund managers are strategically deploying capital to capitalize on market shifts while mitigating key risks such as credit quality, refinancing pressures, and liquidity constraints. Gain insights into how debt funds are structuring deals, pricing risk, and delivering competitive, risk-adjusted returns in an increasingly dynamic and competitive global landscape.*

**Speakers:**

Michelle Seunghyun Lee, Senior Vice President, **Mirae Asset Securities**

Richard Craddock, Head of Real Estate Debt, **Redevco**

## 16:30 **Panel: The rise of Korean real estate – Tapping into homegrown opportunities**

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*Korea's real estate market is attracting heightened global interest, fueled by strong demand for large-scale logistics developments and high-growth multifamily housing. This session explores where institutional capital is flowing, how investors are structuring deals to maximize returns, and what key trends—such as regulatory shifts, demographic changes, and technology adoption—are shaping the future of Korea's property market. Gain insights into the strategies driving success in this dynamic and evolving investment landscape.*

**Speakers:**

Celine Jeeyoun Kim, Senior Manager, Alternative Investment Team, **Lotte Non-Life Insurance**

**17:10 Closing Remarks**

**17:15 Closing Cocktails – Real Assets Edition** (open to all)

*Wrap up the conference with a relaxed cocktail gathering that brings together the real estate and infrastructure communities. It's more than just networking—it's the beginning of relationships that continue long after the conference ends.*

This is a draft agenda and subject to changes