

HARRISON STREET CONTINUES EUROPEAN EXPANSION WITH TWO SENIOR HIRES

Amy Tonnessen and Vanisha Thakrar Bring Significant European Investing and Asset Management Expertise to Growing Team

CHICAGO – **June 9, 2020** – Harrison Street, one of the leading investment management firms exclusively focused on alternative real assets, today announced that it has added two seasoned professionals to its European asset management and transaction teams.

Amy Tonnessen, former Senior Asset Manager at Franklin Templeton Investments, has joined the firm as a Director on the European Asset Management team, and Vanisha Thakrar, who was previously a Senior Associate in Canada Pension Plan Investment Board's (CPPIB) real estate investment group, has joined the firm as a Vice President in the Transactions group. Both Ms. Tonnessen and Ms. Thakrar are based in the firm's London office.

Christopher Merrill, Harrison Street's Co-Founder, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, said, "Amid this highly uncertain environment, Harrison Street continues to expand our global platform and add senior talent throughout the organization as evidenced by our recent appointments of Paul Bashir, CEO, Europe, and Jonathan Turnbull, Managing Director and Head of Canadian Transactions. The additions of Amy and Vanisha strengthen our European team and reflect Harrison Street's commitment to expanding our presence across the U.K., Ireland, and broader continent."

Prior to joining Harrison Street, Ms. Tonnessen was a Senior Asset Manager at Franklin Templeton Investments, where she was responsible for the management of European properties and for overseeing JV investments. Before joining Franklin Templeton, Ms. Tonnessen was a Senior Asset Manager at Heitman in Europe and worked on investments across multiple geographies and property sectors, including self-storage and senior housing. Ms. Tonnessen served in the U.S. Peace Corps in Poland prior to starting her career at Heitman. She graduated from The University of Texas and holds a master's in business administration from Crummer Graduate School of Business at Rollins College.

Ms. Thakrar was at CPPIB before joining Harrison Street, where she worked on establishing joint ventures, underwriting new investments and managing CPPIB's existing investments. Additionally, Ms. Thakrar served on the Board of Directors for various JV companies and as a board observer for CPPIB's student housing platform. Prior to CPPIB, Ms. Thakrar was a Vice President on the real estate investment banking team at Macquarie where she focused on M&A transactions, capital raising and principal investments.

Since establishing its European platform in 2015, Harrison Street has invested approximately €2.5 billion in the student accommodation and private rented sectors and most recently entered into the European life sciences sector with the acquisition of five life sciences and innovation properties, the largest portfolio of its kind in the UK. In May 2019, Harrison Street announced it raised €700 million for its second European closed-end fund. Harrison Street currently manages over 13,000 student housing beds, 1,700 build-to-rent units and 1.7 million square feet of life sciences real estate in Europe.

About Harrison Street

Harrison Street is one of the leading investment management firms exclusively focused on alternative real assets. Since inception in 2005, the firm has created a series of differentiated investment solutions focused on demographic-driven, needs-based assets. The firm has invested across senior housing, student housing, healthcare delivery, life sciences and storage real estate as well as social and utility infrastructure.

HARRISON STREET

Making an Impact.

Headquartered in Chicago with an office in London, the firm has more than 160-employees and approximately \$26.4 billion in assets under management. Clients of the firm include a global institutional investor base domiciled in North America, Europe and Asia. Harrison Street has been awarded Best Places to Work by Pensions & Investments for the last six consecutive years and was named 2019 North American Alternatives Investor of the Year by PERE. For more information, please visit www.harrisonst.com.

Media Contacts:

Nathaniel Garnick/Grace Cartwright Gasthalter & Co. +1 (212) 257-4170