

## A MACROECONOMIC OUTLOOK

- In the first half of 2025, Europe moved into a fragile recovery. Inflation fell back to the ECB's 2% target by June, enabling two rate cuts that brought the refinancing rate to 2.15%, while the Bank of England lowered its base rate to 4.25%
- Bond markets were volatile: Bund yields jumped 50bps in March before retreating after April's tariff shock between the U.S. and EU. Trade tensions briefly slowed sentiment in Q2, but activity rebounded in June
- Labour markets stayed tight, with low unemployment and rising wages sustaining consumption. Real estate reflected these dynamics: living sectors outperformed on undersupply, prime offices and retail parks regained investor interest, and tourism lifted hotel RevPAR by 2-5% YoY
- Overall, H1 2025 confirmed stabilisation: inflation under control, financing costs lower, and selective growth pockets emerging, while geopolitical and trade risks persisted

#### B FINANCING MARKETS

- Financing conditions have materially improved. While 5-year swap rates mostly moved sideways, this was offset by a compression in margins resulting in lower borrowing costs, especially in Eurodenominated countries
- Financing terms remain conservative, with senior LTVs at 50-60% and prime margins at 150-190bps. Stretch lending above 70% LTV is mainly offered by debt funds at 6-9%, while junior and mezzanine financing requires 9-14% returns
- Public markets show renewed momentum with €18bn bond issuance in H1 2025, lifting outstanding CRE bonds to €390bn. CMBS volumes stay concentrated in the UK, while the German Pfandbrief dominates with €400bn outstanding at yields below 3%
- Liquidity is increasing and supporting diversification strategies, but lenders continue to demand equity buffers and remain highly selective, focusing on asset quality, location, and ESG compliance, which deepens the polarization between resilient prime assets and weaker secondary stock

#### Evolution of margins and LTVs across Europe

		France	Germany	Iberia	Italy	Netherlands
Margins (bps)	Core Value-add Trend (qoq)	125-225 250-400 ←	100-240 230-375 ←	160-220 260-390 ←	170-275 300-450 =	135-220 275-400 ←
\L1\ (%)	Core Value-add Trend (qoq)	50-65 50-60 =	50-65 50-60 =	55-70 50-60 ←	50-65 50-60 =	55-70 50-60 =

→ Increasing | ← Decreasing | = Unchanged

### C H1-25 MILESTONE FINANCINGS



Asset: Shopping centres and retail parks (12 assets) Location: Spain Loan amount: €810m Deal: Refinancing Investors: Helios RE Lenders: Morgan Stanley/ Banco Santander



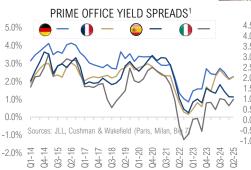
Asset: Urban Logistics Location: Paris & Lyon Loan amount: €105m Deal: Refinancing Investors: QuadReal/Valor Real Estate Partners Lenders: pbb Deutsche Pfandbriefbank



Asset: 2 Healthcare Assets Location: Cecina & Castelfiorentino Loan amount: €15.7m Deal: Refinancing Investors: Lifento Lender: BPER Banca



Asset: Data Center Location: Walldorf-Mörfelden (16km from Frankfurt) Loan amount: €160 Deal: Acquisition Financing Investors: Goodman Lender: Aareal Bank



# **EURIBOR 3M** 4.0% 3.5% 3.0% 2.5% 1.5% 1.0% 0.5% 0.0% Source: hoursora -1.0% 03-18 02-20 02-21 03-21 04-22 04-22 04-22 01-23 01-23 01-24 01-24 01-24 01-24 01-24 01-24 01-24 01-24 01-24 01-24

# **D** INVESTMENTS

- H1 2025: ~€95bn invested in European real estate (11% YOY increase)
- Q2 2025: €50bn transacted (8% YOY increase) following a strong Q1 (+13%) YoY), confirming cautious but steady recovery
- Takeaways: Prime yields held stable. Activity was driven by private/domestic capital, with institutional and cross-border flows (U.S., Middle East, Asia) returning
- Sectors in focus (2024): Living (€50bn, +27% YoY) led on housing undersupply, Offices (€43bn, +9%) recovered in prime CBDs, Industrial & Logistics (€42bn, +23%) despite higher vacancy, Retail (€39bn, +35%) rebounded via retail parks, while Hotels (€20bn, -1%) with RevPAR up 5%
- Leading geographies (2024): Italy (+80%) and CEE (+62%) led growth, followed by the Nordics (+28%), Spain (+24%), Netherlands (+18%), France (+17%), Germany (+12%), and the UK (+9%)



#### E COUNTRY OUTLOOK

#### France

- **H1 2025:** €6.8bn invested (+11% vs H1 2024) | TTM: €19.9bn (+17% YoY)
- Momentum supported by large deals such as Centre Trocadéro (€700m)
- Office market: Paris drive growth; suburban markets remain sluggish
- Retail: Prime shopping centers and grocery-anchored assets regain liquidity
- Private domestic investors dominate; institutional re-emerging selectively
- Emerging trend: Office-to-residential conversions gaining traction in central
- Paris

## Germany

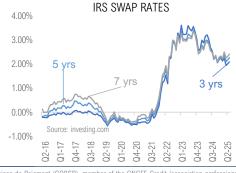
- **H1 2025:** €14.3bn | TTM: €34bn (+12% YoY)
- Refinancing challenges continue to weigh on liquidity
- Strong appetite for residential and logistics; offices remain polarised between prime CBDs and weaker stock
- Institutional investors cautiously returning, focused on core assets
- Emerging trend: Value-add repositioning strategies for obsolete prime offices in Berlin, Munich, and Frankfurt

# Italy

- H1 2025: €5.15bn | TTM: €13.5bn (+80% YoY) Strongest growth among European markets, driven by hospitality and retail
- Rome leads hospitality with 2025 Jubilee boosting demand
- Logistics remains resilient, focused on prime hubs and last-mile
- Data centre expansion accelerating despite limited supply / grid constraints
- Emerging trend: Mixed-use projects and ESG-certified developments attracting new capital

#### Spain

- H1 2025: €7.4bn | TTM: €15.4bn (+24% YoY)
- Hospitality (€2.9bn) and retail (€2.0bn) lead volumes; logistics and offices face slower transaction flow
- Prime yields tightened across retail and hospitality, boosting liquidity
- Domestic capital active alongside selective international inflows
- **Emerging trend:** Build-to-rent and alternative living formats expanding



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