

# David Hunter *Curriculum vitae*

## Introduction

David Hunter is a Non-executive Director and Strategic Advisor with an exceptional track record in supporting growth and representing shareholders in UK and International real estate businesses.

Hunter is an energetic and highly pro-active non-executive, strongly committed to supporting management while demanding clear communication and accountability. As a chairman he takes a collegiate approach, seeking consensus but with a willingness to drive radical thinking where required.

He is currently either chairman or non-executive director of various companies, listed and unlisted, overseeing investments in the UK, India, and South Africa. He is Chairman of a UK based real estate debt fund manager and also has UK and Global investment committee and strategic roles – see overleaf.

Hunter's background is as a leading fund manager, most significantly from 2001 till 2004 as Managing Director of Aberdeen Asset Management's £6.5bn UK and international property fund business. He established Hunter Advisers in 2005 as a platform for his advisory and non-executive roles.

He divides his time principally between Scotland and London.



## Honorary roles

He was President of the British Property Federation in 2004, and actively involved in the introduction of REITs to the UK. He is Honorary Swedish Consul to Glasgow, and an Honorary Professor at Heriot-Watt University.

Hunter is also on the Board of the V&A Scotland, focused particularly on delivery of the iconic new V&A Museum in Dundee, and is a Trustee of the Architectural Heritage Fund.

## Personal

David Hunter is 64. He is married with two daughters, 28 and 30. Away from business his interests include field sports, golf and music. His family homes are in Glasgow and London.

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### Non-executive track record

Since stepping down in 2005 as Managing Director of Aberdeen Property Investors Hunter has successfully fulfilled a wide variety of non-executive roles, a number of which are ongoing.

#### **Custodian REIT plc (2014 - present)**

Chairman since start up of a new UK listed Property Investment Company. Market capitalisation now over £400m and shares priced at a premium to NAV, reflecting the exceptional income yield.

#### **Chairman - ICG-Longbow (2011 - present)**

Introduced as Chairman by Intermediate Capital plc when they invested into the embryonic Longbow real estate debt fund management business. During Hunter's tenure assets under management have grown from £200m to over £3bn. ICG-Longbow is now recognised as a market leader in its sector.

#### **Chairman - South African Property Opportunities Ltd (2009 - present) (ends April 2018)**

Introduced as Chairman at the behest of shareholders into a troubled and illiquid UK listed South African company. Hunter has overseen the optimisation and liquidation of assets, and return of capital to shareholders. This role is now virtually completed.

#### **Senior Independent Director - Yatra Capital Ltd (2006-present) (ends September 2018)**

Involved throughout the life of this Euronext listed Indian Company as an Independent Director and Chairman of the Investment Committee. Led the restructuring of the investment management arrangements to expedite liquidation of the assets and return capital to shareholders. This role is now virtually completed.

#### **Director - Saffron India Real Estate Fund (2007-present) (ends September 2018)**

Involved throughout the life of this private Indian Company as an Independent Director and Chairman of the Investment Committee. Led the restructuring of the investment management arrangements to expedite liquidation of the assets and return capital to shareholders. This role is now virtually completed.

#### **Chairman - I.O.Asset Management (2015-present)**

A specialist asset manager, which has seen assets under management grow from £25m to over £150m during Hunter's tenure.

#### **Advisor - Quilvest (2010 - present)**

Advisory Committee and Strategic role for this French based global real estate manager.

#### **Advisory Committee - Rynda en Primeur (1997- 2017)**

Member of Committee overseeing investment and subsequent realisation of a specialist French real estate fund.

#### **Chairman - NR Nordic and Russia Properties (2008-2011)**

Introduced as Chairman at the behest of shareholders into a troubled and illiquid UK listed Nordic real estate company. Hunter was instrumental in the stabilisation of the company, the internalisation of management and in delivering an exceptional return back to shareholders, doubling the share price before liquidating the portfolio.