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Robert has a wealth of experience in the commercial and residential property sectors, having started his banking career with Lloyds Bank in the late 70s and subsequently moving to Chancery Plc in the late 80s, where he got involved in a variety of real estate transactions including distressed loan management and asset recovery.

By 1996, Robert entered the German real estate banking sector and was instrumental in the establishment of Deutsche Hyp in London, the real estate lending arm of the Dresdner/Kleinwort Benson and Allianz Banking Group, where he was elevated to General Manager with a mandate to build the commercial loan business prior to achieving full branch status in 2002. Deutsche Hyp's diverse banking licence subsequently became the UK platform for launching EuroHypo AG, the amalgamation of the three real estate groups of Deutsche, Dresdner, and Commerzbank, forming the largest commercial real estate bank in Europe with assets in excess of €200 billion at the time.

Having led Deutsche Hyp as one of the key parties in the UK branch merger of the three real estate groups, Robert continued his career in EuroHypo and, following a number of high profile transactions including the £130m Grand Buildings deal in Trafalgar Square, he moved to KBC Bank in 2004.

In KBC, he became responsible for new origination and built a real estate business from a low base to a fully functional asset platform in the region of \$1 billion. Working closely with KBC Peel Hunt and KBC Financial Products, he originated, structured, and executed a number of pathfinder deals including KBC London's first syndicated real estate loan involving the acquisition of land and the subsequent redevelopment of a new €150m outlet mall investment in West Berlin.

With a real estate career culminating in a variety of assets over a period in excess of 20 years, Robert subsequently joined European Risk Capital, with primary focus on arranging commercial and residential property finance transactions including structured debt and hybrid equity placements.

Robert is an ACIB educated in Staffordshire. He is married with two children and lives in Bedfordshire.