



AFIRE ASSOCIATION OF FOREIGN INVESTORS IN REAL ESTATE

As the official voice of the foreign real estate industry in the United States and the pre-eminent global real estate organization, the **Association of Foreign Investors in Real Estate (AFIRE)** represents the interests of nearly 200 investing organizations from 21 different countries. AFIRE, a not-for-profit association of international real estate investors with headquarters in Washington, DC, was founded in 1988 with strong support from Dutch pension funds. German investment firms now constitute the largest nationality of investors. While inbound investment into the US remains our members' common bond, their portfolios have become increasingly global in scope.



AFIRE operates much like a **private “club”** and provides an exclusive environment where **principals and senior executives** can meet and exchange information through regularly scheduled meetings in the US, Europe and key cities around the world. It provides **exposure to influential US policy makers and opinion leaders**, such as Alan Greenspan, Madeleine Albright, Rudy Giuliani and General Colin Powell, who spoke at recent AFIRE Membership Meetings.

AFIRE also provides **updates on important legislation and tax regulations**, and informative publications dedicated to **ensuring that the foreign investor is as informed as the domestic investor**.

The Association typically holds four educational conferences each year, as well as exclusive brunch gatherings at MIPIM and EXPO REAL. The **Winter Conference** is an annual two-day meeting held in February in New York City. The **European Conference** takes place in a European capital city in June. AFIRE also holds **Outreach Conferences** in various locations, such as Stockholm, Australia, Toronto, Dublin and Dubai. AFIRE's **Annual Membership Meetings** rotate between Washington, DC, and other key US cities, including Boston, San Francisco and Chicago. Attendance at meetings is restricted to AFIRE members and specifically invited guests. The primary delegate from each member company may attend all AFIRE functions free of additional charge.



You may visit our **Web site** at www.afire.org/events to view photos and information from past meetings or for a schedule of upcoming AFIRE events. A bi-monthly **newsletter**, along with other publications, keeps the non-US investor informed on issues affecting his investments.

AFIRE is **governed solely by non-US investor institutions** through their designated delegates and managed by a full-time staff in Washington, DC.

Membership is on a corporate basis and by invitation only, and is an acknowledgement of an institution's standing in the international real estate community.

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