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The Journal of Property Investment and Finance (IPIF) strongly supports the next generation of property researchers. This is reflected in this special issue of *IPIF* which is targeted at Early Career Researchers (ECRs). This sees ECRs given the opportunity to publish their first paper to begin their research careers.

Publishing is a key ingredient in all academic careers today, so *IPIF* is supporting this mandate by facilitating publications by ECRs with their first research paper. It has been a pleasure to be guest editor for this special issue of *IPIF*, and give ECRs the opportunity to launch their research publication careers.

The scope of this research by ECRs in this special issue has been diverse, covering European Real Estate Investment Trust (REITs), US REITs, coworking, accuracy of valuation models and risk in feasibility studies. This sets a very positive environment for the next generation of property researchers and the expanded track record of *IPIF* as a leading property research journal. JPIF is proud to support these ECRs in further developing their property research reputations.

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