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Patron Capital explores the issue of domestic abuse at Greatness Lecture

Patron Capital, the pan-European institutional investor focused on property-backed investments, last night welcomed Alison Inman, Colette Cronshaw for the latest of its Greatness Lecture Series, which celebrates inspirational individuals and achievements. They shared their incredible stories and achievements to the online audience.

The topic of the evening was the issue of domestic abuse. The amazing guest speakers discussed the needs of the sector and how these can be addressed. Patron Capital alongside Resonance has launched what is believed to be the world's first gender-lens property fund, the Women in Safe Homes fund which has been created as a solution to the lack of affordable, safe, and secure homes for women who are experiencing homelessness, have been involved with the criminal justice system, are survivors of domestic abuse or have other complex needs. Domestic abuse now accounts for one in eight crimes reported to the Met Police.

Alison is on the board of senior advisors for the Women in Safe Homes fund and is the former President of the Chartered Institute of Housing, spending her term of office highlighting the role the housing sector can play in addressing domestic abuse. With decades of experience with these issues, Alison is instrumental to the Women in Safe Homes fund.

Collette is also on the Women in Safe Homes fund's advisory board. She is a domestic abuse survivor herself and is now a project assistant at Riverside Housing Group, a mixed-gender homeless hostel in Manchester. Her first experience of homelessness was at seven years old after the breakdown of her parent's marriage due to domestic and mental violence. When she turned 18 the care system left her to her own devices, leaving Collette homeless. It is amazing to see how Collette transformed her life and she now dedicates her life to finding safer accommodation for women and families who suffered similar experiences to herself.

Keith Breslauer, Managing Director of Patron Capital, said: "Our Greatness Lectures celebrate truly inspirational individuals, and it was a real honour to have Alison and Collette speak on this occasion. The evening had a profound impact on those who attended and reinforced the importance of the work Patron does for domestic abuse survivors. We look forward to working with Alison and Collette on the Women in Safe Homes fund and to bringing the right solutions to the society."

The Patron Greatness Lecture Series is an ongoing programme of captivating talks from inspirational individuals. They are not part of a fundraising exercise; instead, they are intended to motivate, educate, inspire and enrich for the Patron team, its friends and partners.

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Patron represents approximately €4.3 billion of capital across several funds and related coinvestments, investing in property, corporate operating entities whose value is primarily supported by property assets and distressed debt and credit related businesses.

Since it was established in 1999, Patron has undertaken more than 170 transactions across 90 investments and programs involving over 65 million square feet (6 million square metres) in 17 countries, with many of these investments realised.

Investors represent a variety of sovereign wealth funds, prominent universities, major institutions, private foundations, and high net worth individuals located throughout North America, Europe, Asia and the Middle East. The main investment adviser to the Funds is Patron Capital Advisers LLP, which is based in London, and Patron has other offices across Europe including Barcelona and Luxembourg; the group is comprised of 69 people, including a 41-person investment team.

Further information about Patron Capital is available at www.patroncapital.com.