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Best Practice in Real Estate Research







The Results

Global Real Estate Trends Year-End 2009





2007-9 Drop in Global Sales Volume



GLOBAL PROPERTY SALES VOLUME

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Quarterly Increase in Distress 2008-9







CUMULATIVE DISTRESS





Europe's Top 5 Metro by Volume 2008-9 (Ex London)

WESTERN EUROPE TOP METROS BY VOLUME







Good News and Bad News



Bad News

• Despite stimulus packages, credit remains elusive



Good News

- Equity cash reservoirs continue to brim
- Risk recognition has replaced 2007's "risk-amnesia"





Lessons Learned?

- Do not benchmark against **yesterday's** risk profiles, revenue expectations, cap rates or values
- It is a new day measure only against today's realistic projections of the future
- Vacancy is not all bad. In a rising market it can be an investor's best hope for rising revenues







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