

Méka Brunel named "Professional of the Year" at the 2018 "Pierres d'Or"

On the occasion of the twentieth edition of the "Pierres d'Or," at which each year the key personalities and projects are recognized in the field of real estate in France, Méka Brunel, Chief Executive Officer at Gecina, was named "Professional of the Year."

The jury of the "Pierres d'Or" recognized the success of Méka Brunel. After having taken over executive management of Gecina at the beginning of January 2017, Méka Brunel successfully orchestrated a friendly takeover of Eurosic in record time, propelling the combined entity to the first rank of European real estate companies in the office market. For a year now, Méka Brunel's strategy has been to accelerate the development and transformation of the Group.

Méka Brunel: "I am proud to share this award with my teams. It is the result of a collective effort with my 500 staff members, who today accompany me as we transform Gecina so as to better serve all our clients, shareholders, and partners."

Méka Brunel is an ETP engineer, an Executive MBA from HEC and FRICS. From 1996, she held various executive management positions with Simco, which later merged with Gecina. In 2006, she became CEO of Eurosic, before joining Ivanhoé Cambridge in 2009 as Executive Vice President Europe. She has been a Director at Gecina since 2014 and was appointed as its Chief Executive Officer in January 2017. Actively engaged in industry associations, particularly as a Director of Crédit Foncier de France, Honorary President of the Alliance HQE-GBC France, a Director of FSIF and EPRA, In October 2017, Méka Brunel was appointed to chair the Métropole du Grand Paris (Grand Paris metropolitan authority) development board.

Méka Brunel was previously named Professional of the Year in the 2013 Pierres d'Or awards.

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Gecina owns, manages and develops property holdings worth 19.5 billion euros at end-August 2017, with nearly 92% located in the Paris Region. The Group is building its business around France's leading office portfolio and a diversification division with residential assets and student residences. Gecina has put sustainable innovation at the heart of its strategy to create value, anticipate its customers' expectations and invest while respecting the environment, thanks to the dedication and expertise of its staff.

Gecina is a French real estate investment trust (SIIC) listed on Euronext Paris, and is part of the SBF 120, Euronext 100, FTSE4Good, DJSI Europe and World, Stoxx Global ESG Leaders and Vigeo indices. In line with its community commitments, Gecina has created a company foundation, which is focused on protecting the environment and supporting all forms of disability.

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