



# Maria Kostadinova Joins Catella APAM as Senior Risk and Compliance Manager

**Specialist real estate asset and investment manager Catella APAM is pleased to welcome Maria Kostadinova as Senior Risk and Compliance Manager. Based in the company's London office, Maria brings extensive legal and compliance expertise, further strengthening Catella APAM's commitment to robust regulatory practices and strategic growth.**

Maria holds an LLB in Law with American Studies from the University of Sussex and a CILEx Level 6 Diploma in Legal Practice, specialising in Company and Employment Law. She has also completed advanced training in Anti-Money Laundering (AML) and Financial Promotions, reinforcing her expertise in regulatory compliance and risk management.

Maria's appointment comes at a pivotal time, with Catella APAM recently launching its inaugural fund, Catella APAM Strategic Equities I, which closed in November 2024 with £102.2 million in commitments from institutional investors. Maria will play a key role in ensuring compliance within the regulated entity, supporting financial promotions reviews, regulatory reporting, and liaising with the Principal Firm. Her expertise will be instrumental in helping the company navigate complex regulatory landscapes while maintaining the highest compliance standards.

In her role, Maria will oversee legal, compliance, and risk management functions, ensuring adherence to GDPR and internal policies. She will lead the implementation of Catella Group policies, manage contract administration, conduct supplier due diligence, and oversee risk reporting. Additionally, she will provide strategic legal guidance on business expansion, optimise external legal costs, and deliver compliance training to internal teams. Her appointment strengthens Catella APAM's alignment of legal, risk, and governance strategies with stakeholder expectations.

## **Expressing her enthusiasm for the new role, Maria stated:**

"I was drawn to Catella APAM because of its forward-thinking approach and dynamic team, which I believe will provide me with the opportunity to both grow professionally and contribute meaningfully. The warm welcome I received from everyone has made my transition smooth and enjoyable. I am looking forward to being a part of such an innovative company and helping the business continue its success."

## **Melissa Baldwin, Managing Director at Catella APAM, highlighted the strategic significance of Maria's appointment:**

"We are very pleased to welcome Maria to the team. Maria brings a wealth of risk management and legal and contract management experience to the team which will also support our recent expansion into fund management and its associated regulatory compliance. Maria will support the Catella APAM team, as well as CACP and APAM UK Property Services (AUPS). Welcome Maria, we are glad to have you on board!"



Maria's appointment underscores Catella APAM's dedication to attracting top talent and delivering exceptional results for clients, reinforcing its position as a leader in real estate asset and investment management.

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**About Catella APAM**

Catella APAM, an independent and market-agnostic asset and investment manager, has been delivering sustainable real estate solutions since 2010, managing £4B worth of assets across the UK and Ireland. As part of the Catella AB Group, we leverage our global network and extensive market knowledge to provide tailored, effective solutions across all market cycles to achieve remarkable outcomes for our clients.

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