

Irish Life continues award-winning success at Irish Pension Awards

Irish Life Investment Managers awarded Property Manager of the Year and Passive Manager of the Year

Setanta Asset Management awarded Equities Manager of the Year

26 November 2018 – Irish Life has claimed threetop accolades at this year’s Irish Pension Awards, held in association with European Pensions. Irish Life Investment Managers won the prestigious title Property Manager of the Year and Passive Manager of the Year and Setanta Asset Management won the Equities Manager of the Year. The awards event took place in The Shelbourne Hotel in Dublin and was hosted by comedian, Eric Lalor.

The **Property Manager of the Year** title was awarded to Irish Life Investment Managers as it proved to be leader in the field of property investment, showing innovation in its product offerings and displaying excellence and consistency in its management of this exciting asset class.

The **Passive Manager of the Year** award was presented to Irish Life in recognition of its true understanding of the needs of its clients, demonstrating strong returns and providing excellent customer service, which Irish Life Investment Managers take great pride in.

Commenting on the award wins, Patrick Burke, Managing Director, Irish Life Investment Managers, said; *“These awards are a great recognition for our team at Irish Life Investment Managers. They reflect our continued success of delivering tailored solutions for both our retail investors and pension scheme clients, through close collaborations with other business sectors across the Irish Life Group. We are focused on providing the best service and investment solutions to our clients, and these award wins reflects our commitment to our clients and managing their changing investment needs,”* he said.

Setanta Asset Management came up against some of the industry’s leading asset managers to secure the **Equities Manager of the Year Award**. This award celebrates the manager who has led the way in managing equity portfolios for its clients over the past 12 months, and has added significant value to the funds it manages on behalf of Irish pension funds.

Commenting on the win, Kieran Dempsey, Managing Director, Setanta Asset Management said: *“We are very proud to have won the title as Equities Manager of the Year. It is a great achievement and honour for our team in Setanta. We believe these awards are a testament to our disciplined, long term and conservative investment approach and our outstanding investment performance track record. We are focussed on working closely with our clients both in Ireland and in international markets to help grow and protect their wealth.”*

The Irish Pension Awards, now in its seventh year, aims to give recognition to those pension funds and providers who have proved excellence, professionalism and dedication to maintaining high standards of Irish pension provision and fund management.

The 2018 judges were drawn from across Ireland’s pension sphere to include pension providers, industry bodies, consultants, financial services and pension representatives from various Irish pension and financial associations.

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