

# Dr. Kai H. Warnecke Elected as New President of UIPI

**Brussels, 04 October 2024** – The International Union of Property Owners (UIPI) announces the election of its new President, Dr. Kai H. Warnecke, following a vote during the UIPI Board meetings held in Berlin on 26 September 2024. Dr. Warnecke will officially begin his mandate on 1 January 2025, taking over from Stratos Paradias, who has been involved in UIPI's leadership for 40 years.

Dr. Warnecke currently serves as President of Haus und Grund Deutschland, Germany's largest association of property owners. He is a leading figure in the housing and building sector in Germany, with a proven track record of influencing policy. His deep understanding of the challenges and opportunities facing property owners, combined with his long-standing and strong involvement within UIPI, makes him well-equipped to lead the association into the future.

Stratos Paradias, who has served as UIPI's President for the last 20 years, leaves behind an enduring legacy. His leadership contributed to establishing UIPI as a vital voice for property owners across Europe. Under his guidance, the organisation became a central advocate for property owners' interests, working on key issues at EU level. Paradias' influence shaped UIPI into the organisation it is today, and his contributions will remain a cornerstone of its future efforts.

Dr. Warnecke steps into his new role with a clear vision for UIPI's future. In accepting the position, Dr. Warnecke expressed his gratitude and vision:

*"I am honoured to take on this role and continue the work of my predecessor, Stratos Paradias. I look forward to building on UIPI's legacy of strong advocacy while ensuring we adapt to the challenges of today's property markets. Together, we will promote sustainable and fair housing solutions for property owners across Europe."*

At this occasion, the UIPI Executive Committee also held the elections of the Vice-Presidents, the Treasurer, the Secretary General and the Executive Committee members.

## Re-elected Vice-Presidents:

- Drs. Ing. Cindy Kremer, *Vereniging Eigen Huis (VEH), the Netherlands*
- Dr. Luis Menezes Leitão, *Associação Lisbonense de Proprietários (ALP), Portugal*
- Agustín Pujol, *Confederación de Cámaras de la Propiedad Urbana y Asociaciones de Propietarios de Fincas Urbanas (CCPU), Spain*

### **Newly elected Vice-President:**

- Sylvain Grataloup, *Union Nationale des Propriétaires Immobiliers (UNPI), France*

### **Newly elected Treasurer:**

- Dario Dal Verme, *CONFEDILIZIA, Italy*

### **Re-elected Secretary General:**

- Emmanuelle Causse, *UIPI*

## **About Dr. Kai H. Warnecke**

Born in Hannover in 1972, Dr. Warnecke holds a PhD in law from Humboldt University Berlin and brings a wealth of expertise in property law and advocacy. He began his career at Haus & Grund Deutschland e.V. in 2003, advancing from various roles to CEO and later President. He has been instrumental in shaping the H&G but also UIPI's organisation's direction. Since 2004, Dr. Warnecke has been an active member of UIPI's Executive Committee and since 2016 one of its Vice-Presidents. He is also an active member of the Council of the German Association of Housing, Urban, and Regional Planning.

## **About Stratos Paradias**

Born in Athens, Stratos Paradias is a Supreme Court lawyer specialising in Property Law. He holds degrees in Law and Political Science from the University of Athens. In 1983, he founded the Hellenic Property Federation (POMIDA) and has served as its President since 1996. He has been involved with the International Union of Property Owners (UIPI) for 40 years first as member of the Executive Committee and then serving as General Secretary before becoming its President in 2005.

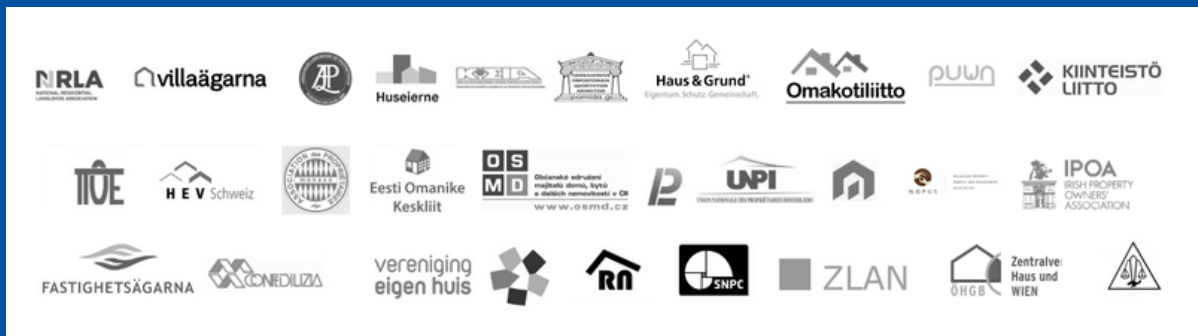
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## About UIPI

The International Union of Property Owners (UIPI), the largest pan-European non-profit association of both home owners and private landlords. UIPI comprises 31 organisations from 28 countries, which, jointly, represent more than 5 million private property owners and around 25 million dwellings all over Europe.

The interests of the sector we represent correspond to the concerns and needs of a substantial part of the European population. As shown by Eurostat, almost 70% of EU citizens are owner-occupiers, whereas almost another 20% of the population is housed in the private rented sector.


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