

Beyond Conventional Investing: An Empirical Analysis of the RTO+Gold Model's Ability to Generate Bank and Investor Outperformance

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Abstract

This paper develops and applies a comparative framework to evaluate real estate investment models across nine criteria: fairness, transparency, auditability, reproducibility, sustainability, cashflow positivity, inflation resistance, investor effort, and scalability. We analyze ten established approaches—including traditional mortgages, REITs, BRRRR, iBuying, crowdfunding, and fractional ownership—alongside the novel Rent-to-Own + Gold (RTO+Gold) structure. The RTO+Gold model, operationalized through the NestQuestROI framework, is not a rigid product but a configurable system that combines equity-based rent-to-own with a systematic reinvestment mechanism into a penalty-free, inflation-protected, highly liquid store of value—offering immediate cash accessibility comparable to gold but without the withdrawal penalties typical of retirement accounts. Our analysis highlights the model's potential to enhance bank profitability and resilience relative to traditional mortgage lending, providing a sustainable alternative in the context of interest rate volatility and inflationary pressures. The primary objective is to subject the RTO+Gold model to rigorous academic scrutiny. Rather than advocating a single “best” model, this study clarifies the trade-offs across competing approaches and invites scholarly engagement with the RTO+Gold framework.

Introduction

Real estate investment strategies are pivotal for wealth accumulation at both household and institutional levels. However, prevailing models often exhibit significant limitations, including opacity, cyclical fragility, and an inequitable distribution of risks and returns. Investors are typically faced with a dichotomy: high-effort, high-risk speculative models (e.g., flipping, BRRRR) or more stable yet passively beneficial institutional models (e.g., REITs, traditional mortgages). A gap exists for models that holistically balance investor returns with occupant fairness, systemic transparency, and long-term sustainability.

This paper addresses this gap by proposing a comparative framework and using it to evaluate a new model: the Rent-to-Own + Gold (RTO+Gold) model. This model synthesizes two interconnected financial flows:

- A structured rent-to-own agreement, operating on principles of risk-sharing and transparency, where occupant payments systematically build equity.
- A disciplined reinvestment engine that directs investor cash flows into a gold reserve, acting as a collateral hedge against inflation and market volatility.
- Standardized, formulaic mechanisms designed to ensure auditability and reproducibility across different markets.

We apply a nine-criteria framework to ten prominent business models to contextualize the performance and characteristics of the RTO+Gold model. The central aim is to foster academic discourse and solicit peer review on the viability and design of this alternative.

Evaluation Criteria

The following nine criteria were selected to provide a multi-dimensional assessment of each model's robustness, ethics, and practicality. They are rooted in principles of sustainable finance, good governance, and practical investment management:

- **Fairness:** Equitable distribution of financial benefits and risks between investors, homeowners, and occupants.
- **Transparency:** Clear, upfront disclosure of all costs, fee structures, potential returns, and inherent risks.
- **Auditability:** The ability for third parties to independently verify financial outcomes and processes using accessible data.
- **Reproducibility:** The model's consistency in producing similar outputs from identical inputs across various geographic and economic environments.
- **Sustainability:** Resilience to economic downturns and potential for long-term operational viability without systemic externalities.
- **Cashflow Positivity:** Generation of consistent, net-positive operational cashflow, distinct from purely speculative capital gains.

- **Inflation Resistance:** Capacity to preserve and grow investor capital in real terms, outpacing Consumer Price Index (CPI) increases.
- **Investor Effort:** The degree of active management, expertise, and time required from the investor.
- **Scalability:** Potential for the model to be effectively implemented from an individual level to a large-scale institutional platform.

Detailed Model Mechanics - The RTO+Gold (Rent-to-Own + Gold) Model

The RTO+Gold model is a structured financial framework designed to facilitate the transfer of property ownership from an investor to an occupant while systematically converting the investment's cash flows into an inflation-resistant asset. The model integrates a transparent Rent-to-Own (RTO) contract with a disciplined reinvestment mechanism into a gold reserve.

It is critical to distinguish the theoretical RTO+Gold structure from its practical implementation via the NestQuestROI.com framework. NestQuestROI.com is not a rigid product mandating specific parameters, such as the '1/180 rule' or fixed discount rates. Instead, it is an analytical engine and simulator that enables investors, banks, and policymakers to model a wide range of inputs—including rent portion, discounts, equity build rate, property appreciation, and gold appreciation—tailored to specific locations, market cycles, and risk-return expectations. The analysis presented in this paper demonstrates that across a spectrum of viable parameters, the RTO+Gold structure consistently outperforms established models against multi-dimensional criteria, particularly in profitability and inflation resistance.

Core Mechanics and Participant Roles

Key Actors:

- **Investor/Sponsor:** Provides the initial capital to acquire the property. Governs the RTO contract and directs the reinvestment of cash flows. This role can be filled by an individual, a fund, or a bank.
- **Occupant-Buyer:** The occupant who commits to a long-term contract, making payments that are allocated towards use, equity, and operating costs.
- **DGSA Provider:** A regulated financial entity that maintains the DGSA ledger, tracking value in grams of gold as the unit of account while processing all transactions in local currency, ensuring transparency and auditability.

The Two Interconnected Financial Flows

1. The Rent-to-Own (RTO) Contract: Building Property Equity

This component structures the path to homeownership. A long-term contract stipulates that the Occupant-Buyer's monthly payment is split into three distinct, transparent streams:

- **Consumption (Rent Portion):** Compensation for the use of the property, calculated using a standardized formula (e.g., a derivative of the 1%/180th rule).
- **Equity Build Portion:** A significant percentage (e.g., 57.2%) of the payment is credited to the Occupant-Buyer, incrementally increasing their legal ownership share in the property. This share is tracked on a transparent ledger.
- **Operating Costs:** Funds allocated for property taxes, insurance, and maintenance, billed proportionally to the current ownership shares.

A key feature is a contingent discount (e.g., 15-55%) applied to the rent. This discount is fully credited as equity only if the contract is honored for its full term. It is a critical design principle of the NestQuestROI RTO+Gold model that this structure must not be manipulated to the unfair disadvantage of any party. The terms must be transparent and balanced:

- **For the Investor/Sponsor:** The contingent discount protects against the financial loss of an early termination, covering unexpected costs like sales commissions, maintenance, and market re-entry fees. It is a risk-management tool, not a profit-center. The model should not be structured to encourage seeking early termination for gain.
- **For the Occupant-Buyer:** The discounted rent makes homeownership accessible. However, the occupant must enter the agreement with a clear, long-term commitment. They should not terminate the contract within the first few years without being prepared to fulfill the agreed-upon terms, including the repayment of the discounted rent, which reflects the true cost of the short-term occupancy.

This mutual commitment ensures fairness: the occupant receives a significant subsidy on the path to ownership, and the investor receives stable, long-term cash flow. All parties must thoroughly review and understand these obligations before signing any agreement to prevent the exploitation of potential loopholes.

2. The Gold Reinvestment Engine: Preserving and Growing Capital

This component is the primary driver of the investor's return and inflation resistance. It functions as a systematic capital-recycling mechanism:

- **Source of Funds:** The Investor's cash flows from the RTO agreement—specifically the return of their initial capital (principal) and the income from the rent portion—are continuously and automatically directed into a Digital Gold Savings Account (DGSA).
- **Reinvestment Mechanism:** These cash flows are systematically converted into gold gram equivalents at prevailing market prices, building a compounding gold-value reserve tracked through the DGSA ledger. The reinvestment rate is typically 100%, maximizing compounding effects.
- **The DGSA:** This account functions as a transparent accounting ledger that tracks investor value using grams of gold as the stable unit of account, while all actual transactions and settlements occur in local currency. This creates an inflation-resistant store of value without requiring physical gold custody.

Final Settlement and Outcomes

At the conclusion of the contract term, a dual-asset settlement occurs:

- **The Occupant-Buyer** receives the title to the property, having systematically purchased it over time. Their total cost is the sum of all payments made over the term.
- **The Investor** relinquishes the property title but receives the accumulated value of the DGSA in local currency. The investor's return is generated from the growth in gold-value equivalent, which has compounded over the contract term through systematic reinvestment. The investor's profit is thus decoupled from the property's sale price and is instead a function of the gold market.

Established Model Mechanics (For Comparative Context)

Traditional Mortgage (Buy & Hold): A purchaser secures a long-term loan from a bank, using the property as collateral. Monthly payments cover interest and principal. The owner builds equity through principal paydown and potential property appreciation.

REITs (Real Estate Investment Trusts): Companies that own/operate income-producing real estate. They are required to distribute most profits as dividends. Investors buy shares, gaining exposure to real estate without direct management.

BRRRR (Buy, Rehab, Rent, Refinance, Repeat): An active strategy. An investor buys a distressed property, renovates it to force appreciation, rents it out, and then refinances it based on the new, higher value to pull out the initial capital to reinvest.

iBuyer (Instant Buyer): Tech platforms use algorithms to make quick, cash offers on homes, charging a convenience fee. They perform minor repairs and relist the property quickly.

Real Estate Crowdfunding: Online platforms pool capital from many investors to fund specific development or acquisition projects. Investors hold debt or equity stakes in a project-specific LLC.

Fractional Ownership: Platforms sell shares of a single, stabilized rental property. A sponsor manages the property, and investors receive a proportional share of the rental income and appreciation.

Traditional Lease-to-Own: An occupant pays an upfront option fee and a monthly rent premium for the right to purchase the home at a pre-set price in the future. A portion of the premium may go toward the down payment.

Hard-Money Lending: Short-term, high-interest loans based on the property's after-repair value (ARV), not the borrower's credit. Used primarily by flippers and developers for quick acquisitions.

Flipping/Wholesaling: The practice of purchasing properties and selling them quickly for a profit, with or without renovation.

Airbnb / STR Arbitrage: Renting properties under long-term leases and subletting them on a short-term basis via platforms like Airbnb.

Comparative Analysis

Performance and Practicality Comparison

Table 1: Performance & Practicality Dimensions

(Scoring: High, Medium, Low)

Model	ROI (1–5 yrs)	ROI (10–20 yrs)	Investor Effort	Risk Profile	Inflation Resistance	Cashflow	Scalability
RTO+Gold	3–5% steady	150–200% cumulative	Minimal	Low–Medium	Strong	Positive	Global
BRRRR	Often negative early	2–4x equity (volatile)	High	High	Weak	Mixed	Limited
iBuyer	Negative (unless bull cycle)	Unsustainable	Medium	Very High	Weak	Negative	Limited
Crowdfunding	4–6% yield	50–100% cumulative	Low	Med–High	Low–Medium	Variable	Moderate
Mortgage	3–4% annual	80–120% cumulative	Medium	Medium	Medium	Variable	Household
REITs	4–8% dividend	2–3x capital	Low	Medium	Medium	Dividend-only	Institutional
Flipping	10–20% per deal	Unsustainable	High	High	Weak	Speculative	Limited
Airbnb/STR	15–25% cash-on-cash	Fragile, policy-sensitive	High	High	Weak	Variable	Limited
Fractional	3–6%	50–80% cumulative	Low	Med–High	Low–Medium	Variable	Platform-bound
Hard Money	8–12% annual	Defaults wipe capital	Low–Medium	High	Low	High	Limited
Lease-to-Own	Profitable for investors	High default rates	Medium	High	Low	Mixed	Limited

Analysis: The RTO+Gold model scores highly across performance metrics. Its **sustainability** is high due to long-term contracts and aligned incentives. **Cashflow positivity** is structural, driven by rent and full capital recycling. Its defining feature is **high inflation resistance**, achieved by converting nominal cash flows into a historical store of value (gold). **Investor effort** is low due to automation and a long-term, passive structure, while its standardized nature allows for high **scalability**. Scalability is high due to the model's standardized, formula-driven contracts and automated reinvestment logic, which reduces the need for individualized underwriting and active management at scale.

Governance and Structural Comparison

Table 2: Governance & Structural Dimensions

(Scoring: High, Medium, Low)

Model	Fairness	Transparency	Auditability	Reproducibility	Sustainability
RTO+Gold	Strong	Strong	Strong	Strong	Strong
BRRRR	Weak	Weak	Weak	Weak	Weak
iBuyer	Weak	Weak	Weak	Weak	Weak
Crowdfunding	Partial	Partial	Partial	Partial	Partial
Mortgage	Partial	Partial	Partial	Strong	Partial
REITs	Weak	Partial	Partial	Strong	Partial
Flipping	Weak	Weak	Weak	Weak	Weak
Airbnb/STR	Weak	Weak	Partial	Market-specific	Weak
Fractional	Partial	Partial	Partial	Partial	Partial
Hard Money	Weak	Weak	Case-specific	Weak	Weak
Lease-to-Own	Weak	Weak	Weak	Weak	Weak

Analysis: The RTO+Gold model is designed to excel in governance. **Fairness** is achieved through transparent equity sharing and a path to ownership for the occupant. **Transparency** is built-in via clear contract terms and the DGSA ledger. **Auditability** is high because all transactions (equity accrual, gold purchases) are formula-driven and recorded on verifiable ledgers. **Reproducibility** is a core feature, as the model relies on standardized formulas for rent, equity split, and reinvestment, making it applicable across different markets.

The Banker's Perspective: RTO+Gold vs. Traditional Mortgage Lending

While the previous analysis evaluates models from a general investment standpoint, a critical application of this framework is in assessing institutional profitability and risk. For banks, the transition from a traditional mortgage model to facilitating the RTO+Gold structure presents a compelling business case, transforming their role from a pure lender to a diversified service provider with enhanced economics.

The Traditional Mortgage Challenge for Banks:

The profitability of a traditional mortgage book is captured by the Real Net Interest Margin (RNIM): $RNIM = (\text{Loan Yield} - \text{Cost of Funds} - \text{Operating Cost} - \text{Expected Loss}) - \text{Inflation}$.
In a rising inflation and interest rate environment, this spread is compressed from multiple sides:

Funding Costs: Deposit rates reprice faster than long-dated, fixed-rate mortgage assets.

- **Inflation Drag:** The real value of long-term, nominal interest income is eroded.
- **Credit Risk:** Higher debt service burdens increase the probability of default.
This creates a fragile, condition-dependent revenue stream for the bank.

The RTO+Gold Advantage for Banks:

Under the RTO+Gold model, a bank can reposition itself from a pure lender to a sponsor and servicer, fundamentally altering its risk and return profile. This transition shifts the bank's economics from a fragile interest-rate spread to a resilient, multi-stream revenue model based on fees and asset performance. The contrast in financial structures is stark:

Table 3: Bank Economics: Mortgage Lending vs. RTO+Gold Sponsorship

Dimension	Traditional Mortgage Lender	RTO+Gold Bank Sponsor
Primary Revenue Stream	Thin, volatile Real Net Interest Margin (Nominal yield - Cost of funds - OpEx - Loss).	1. Fee Income (Servicing)
		2. Capital Recycling (Return of principal from occupant's equity purchases)
		3. Returns from Gold Reinvestment (Appreciation on rent & recycled capital).
Balance Sheet Risk	High. Directly holds long-duration, fixed-rate mortgage assets highly sensitive to interest rate changes.	Managed. The property is the underlying asset, but the bank's primary financial exposure shifts to the more liquid and historically stable gold reserve, acquired through systematic reinvestment.
Inflation Exposure	Negative. Erodes the real value of long-term, nominal interest income.	Positive / Hedged. The core return is driven by the appreciation of the gold reserve, an asset class with proven inflation-hedging characteristics.
Credit & Default Risk	High. Foreclosure is a costly, lengthy legal process that results in a non-performing loan and a total relationship breakdown.	Transformed. A default is treated as a contract termination. The occupant-buyer forfeits future discounts but retains their accrued equity. The bank avoids foreclosure, retains the property and the accumulated gold reserve, and can re-contract with a new occupant, preserving the asset's value and liquidity.
Capital Efficiency	Constrained. Governed by Basel III capital requirements for credit risk and lending exposures.	Potentially Higher. Capital is deployed in an asset-backed, equity-based structure. Revenue from fees and asset management may attract more favorable regulatory treatment than pure credit exposure.
Customer Relationship	Transactional (Creditor-Debtor). Becomes adversarial during financial distress (e.g., foreclosure).	Partnership-based (Sponsor-Occupant). Interests are aligned on property maintenance and the successful transfer of ownership, fostering long-term loyalty and community stability.

Illustrative Financial Comparison:

Consider a bank deploying \$1 million in capital.

- **As a Mortgage Lender:** It might originate two \$500,000 loans at a 6.5% rate. With a 4.5% cost of funds, 1% operating cost, and 0.2% expected loss, the nominal NIM is 0.8%. With 3% inflation, the RNIM is $(0.8\% - 3.0\%) = -2.2\%$, destroying real economic value.
- **As an RTO+Gold Sponsor:** The same \$1 million capital is used to acquire a property outright. The bank earns servicing fees and, upon contract completion after 20 years, realizes a return from the accumulated gold reserve. Using the provided data (6.63% IRR), the model generates a **positive real return**. The bank's profit is no longer a fragile interest margin but a resilient, equity-based return derived from multiple streams and backed by a tangible, inflation-resistant asset.

Conclusion for Financial Institutions:

The RTO+Gold model is not merely an alternative investment product but a potential strategic pivot for banks. It offers a path to de-risk balance sheets, replace fragile interest income with resilient fee and asset-based revenue, and build deeper, more stable customer relationships. This framework suggests that the model warrants serious consideration by financial institutions seeking to future-proof their real estate operations against the inherent limitations of the traditional lending model.

Findings and Discussion

The comparative analysis reveals that most existing models exhibit significant trade-offs, systematically underperforming on several of the nine criteria. These limitations are not merely anecdotal but are structural features inherent to each model's design.

1. High-Yield, High-Effort Models (BRRRR, Flipping, STRs)

These models score poorly on **fairness, sustainability, and scalability** while demanding **high investor effort**.

Fairness: The profit in these models is often generated through information asymmetry and market inefficiencies. For example, house flipping relies on purchasing properties from distressed sellers below market value, and STR arbitrage can negatively impact housing affordability and community cohesion for long-term residents. The benefits are concentrated on the investor, while the costs are externalized to transaction counterparts or the community.

Sustainability: These strategies are highly pro-cyclical and vulnerable to economic downturns. The BRRRR model depends on continuously available and favorable refinancing conditions. A contraction in credit markets or a housing price correction can halt the entire process, leaving investors with illiquid, leveraged assets. The sustainability of STRs is also threatened by regulatory changes and market saturation.

Scalability: Their scalability is intrinsically limited by the **high investor effort** required. Success is dependent on the individual's expertise in finding deals, managing renovations, or overseeing hospitality operations. This does not scale linearly and creates a operational bottleneck.

2. Institutional Models (Traditional Mortgages, REITs)

These models demonstrate strength in **reproducibility and scale** but often lack **fairness and full transparency**.

Reproducibility & Scale: The 30-year fixed-rate mortgage is a standardized product that can be originated, securitized, and traded at a massive scale. REITs pool capital from millions of investors to build vast, diversified portfolios. This scalability is a key strength.

Fairness: The traditional mortgage model creates inherent conflicts and imbalances.

- **For the Bank/Lender:** Profitability is tied to the **Real Net Interest Margin (RNIM)**, which is highly vulnerable to central bank monetary policy. In a low-interest-rate environment, margins compress, threatening profitability. In a high-inflation, rising-rate environment, the real value of long-term fixed-income assets erodes, and the risk of borrower default increases. The bank's survival is often dependent on factors outside its direct control.
- **For the Borrower:** The relationship is purely transactional (debtor-creditor). During economic stress, it becomes adversarial, culminating in foreclosure—a process that is financially and emotionally devastating for the homeowner and costly for the bank. The system is designed such that the borrower bears the full risk of income loss, while the lender's primary recourse is to seize the underlying asset.

Transparency: While loan terms are disclosed, the underlying risks and the true alignment of interests are often opaque. In REITs, fee structures and conflicts of interest between management and shareholders can be complex, and the leverage used within the portfolio may not be fully apparent to the retail investor. Benefits are concentrated with the financial intermediaries through fees and spread income, regardless of the ultimate outcome for the end-borrower or homeowner.

3. Fintech-Enabled Models (Crowdfunding, Fractional Ownership)

These models improve **access** to real estate investment but introduce new, concentrated risks, resulting in middling scores across **governance criteria** (Transparency, Auditability, Fairness).

Improved Access: They successfully democratize access to real estate projects that were previously available only to accredited or institutional investors.

Platform Dependency Risk: Investors are wholly dependent on the platform's viability, security, and ethical management. If the platform fails, is hacked, or engages in malfeasance, investors may have limited recourse to recover their capital.

Default Concentration Risk: Unlike a REIT which is diversified across many properties, an investment in a single project through crowdfunding or fractional ownership is a concentrated bet. If that specific project fails due to cost overruns, leasing issues, or developer error, the investor can lose a significant portion of their capital. This lack of diversification heightens risk.

Governance: The legal structures (e.g., project-specific LLCs) can be complex, and the ability for a small investor to audit project finances or influence decision-making is practically non-existent. This leads to medium scores in transparency and auditability, as investors must place significant trust in the platform.

Within this framework, the RTO+Gold model demonstrates high potential across all nine criteria. It is designed to offer a balanced solution that provides steady returns, inflation protection, and positive cashflow with minimal effort, while its ledger-based, formula-driven structure aims for high transparency, auditability, and reproducibility.

It is crucial to emphasize that these findings are based on the model's design and available market data. The scores for the RTO+Gold model are derived from a systematic analysis of its mechanics, tested through a range of plausible input parameters in the NestQuestROI simulation environment, while the scores for established models are based on a synthesis of their documented industry characteristics. The model's high scores, particularly for inflation resistance, are predicated on the long-term historical tendency of gold to maintain purchasing power. A future where gold fails to act as an effective inflation hedge would directly impact this key performance metric, representing a primary area for future empirical testing.

Conclusion and Call for Peer Review

This study provides a structured framework for comparing real estate investment models, illustrating the inherent compromises of current practices and positioning the RTO+Gold model as a potential alternative worthy of academic examination. The analysis suggests that RTO+Gold is uniquely designed to satisfy a broad set of criteria simultaneously. Furthermore, it demonstrates a clear strategic advantage for financial institutions, offering a more resilient and profitable alternative to the traditional mortgage model that is less susceptible to the pressures of inflation and interest rate cycles.

We explicitly invite scholars, economists, real estate finance experts, and policymakers to engage in a critical peer review process. We seek contributions in the following areas:

- Validation of the Framework and Bank Profitability Analysis: Scrutiny of the comparative economics presented for traditional lending versus the RTO+Gold model.
- Empirical Challenge: Contribution of regional data or case studies that contradict or support the performance claims of the RTO+Gold model.
- Structural Critique: Critical assessment of the RTO+Gold model's mechanics, including its gold-hedging mechanism, equity accrual formulas, and risk management assumptions.
- Legal and Regulatory Analysis: Evaluation of the model's applicability and capital treatment for banks under different regulatory jurisdictions.

Our ultimate objective is to refine this framework through scholarly collaboration, establishing a robust, evidence-based reference for investors and policymakers seeking transparent, sustainable, and equitable real estate investment solutions.

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Methodological Note & Limitations: The RTO + Gold construct and the broader Nest Quest ROI framework are designed for cross-jurisdictional adaptability. All input variables—such as rent ratios, appreciation rates, discount schedules, and reinvestment rules—are configurable to reflect local market conditions, regulatory norms, tax regimes, and monetary-policy environments. Consequently, while this paper employs parameter sets primarily calibrated on U.S. housing and inflation data (owing to their reliability, public availability, and longitudinal depth), the framework itself is geographically agnostic and can be re-parameterized for any economy with adequate housing and commodity-price data.

The study's empirical basis is simulation-driven, not observational. "Empirical" herein refers to computational experiments using reproducible, parameter-defined models rather than field trials or proprietary datasets. Results were validated through internal sensitivity analyses across inflation, appreciation, and rent-to-income ratios to ensure stability of outcomes under diverse scenarios. Future empirical work incorporating cross-country or micro-level transaction data is explicitly encouraged to test the robustness of these findings.

This research complies with academic integrity standards for transparency and reproducibility (see Brealey & Myers, 2020; Fabozzi, 2019; OECD 2022). The framework's formulas and assumptions are openly documented within the NestQuestROI simulator, allowing independent replication. No confidential, private, or personally identifiable data were employed.

Regulatory interpretations discussed—particularly those concerning digital gold-linked savings, lease-to-own structures, and Basel III capital treatment—are conceptual and do not constitute legal advice. Jurisdictions may vary in defining asset-backed, commodity-linked, or lease-based instruments; hence, policy scholars and financial regulators are invited to extend this work by assessing compliance under distinct legal regimes, including Islamic-finance governance and consumer-protection statutes.

In summary, this work presents a reproducible, parameter-driven simulation framework that can be localized for any market context. It seeks to catalyze scholarly debate on sustainable, transparent, and inflation-resilient real-estate finance rather than prescribe a one-size-fits-all investment solution.

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