

## Hilton Worldwide Celebrates 4,000th Hotel Milestone

### Continues as fastest growing global hotel company in the world

Hilton Worldwide announced the opening of its 4,000th hotel, Hilton Shijiazhuang in the Hebei province of China. Anchored by a focus on global expansion and a portfolio of industry-leading brands, Hilton Worldwide has been the fastest growing global hotel company since 2007, adding over 1,100 hotels and increasing its room count by 33 percent. It also has a pipeline of nearly 1,000 hotels with over 176,000 rooms, which is the largest in the industry and in the history of the company. Hilton Worldwide has opened more than 100 hotels globally since the beginning of 2013, with more than 110 additional hotels expected to open throughout the remainder of the year.



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## China, Shanghai: Kempinski Hotels Opens Grand Kempinski Hotel Shanghai

Kempinski Hotels, the oldest European luxury hotel group, has signed an agreement with Shanghai Suncuba Co. Ltd to take over the management of the Gran Meliá Hotel Shanghai in Pudong, Shanghai. Opened in February 2010, the hotel was rebranded as Grand Kempinski Hotel Shanghai on 15 May 2013 and became the group's 18th property in China. Together with The ONE Executive Suites, Kempinski now has a presence on both sides of the Huangpu River in China's most cosmopolitan city.



The hotel is centrally located in the Lujiazui financial and trade section of the prestigious Pudong district and offers sweeping views of the Huangpu River and the Shanghai skyline. The hotel features 678 rooms and suites (from 43 to 245 sqm/462-6,638 sqft in size), four restaurants and three bars offering international fare, Chinese cuisine, Italian flavors and Spanish/South American cuisine, a full scale fitness centre and spa facilities, 15 meeting rooms for up to 450 people as well as an Executive Lounge with special privileges and amenities for frequent business travelers.

[www.kempinski.com/en/shanghai/grand-kempinski-hotel-shanghai](http://www.kempinski.com/en/shanghai/grand-kempinski-hotel-shanghai)

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**Guadalajara Jalisco, Mexico**  
Fiesta Americana Grand Guadalajara Country Club Hotel offers an upscale atmosphere for business travelers in the heart of the city's most exclusive corporate and financial district. Guadalajara and the hotel seduce visitors with its natural charms and sophisticated style. Business executives and other guests accustomed to luxurious accommodations and personal

service appreciate the hotel's refined ambiance, warm Mexican charm and Grand class elegance. 207 Rooms/Suites, 5 Mtg Rms, Theater 450, Classroom 270, Cocktail 400, Banquet 340

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**GERMANY: Stuttgart is Number One in Sustainability**



Since 2012 the congress destination of Stuttgart has become even more competitive and attractive as a conference and congress region. Based on the results of a survey carried out a few months ago, Stuttgart is entitled to call itself "Germany's most sustainable city". In and around Stuttgart countless events are staged with the theme of sustainability. Some of these are organized entirely in accordance with sustainable criteria, including CO2 compensation. The most recent example here is the 39th GTM (Germany Travel Mart™), which took place in May 2013. This year's GTM workshop was held at the ICS International Congress Center Stuttgart / Messe Stuttgart Trade Fair Centre, which committed itself to the industry's "Right and Fair" code of conduct already in 2010 laid down the most important sustainability policies in a "green statement". For the 2013 GTM, the German National Tourist Board was awarded the "GreenNote" seal of approval by the mygreenmeeting.de competency network for its outstanding conservation of resources in staging the event.

[congress.stuttgart-tourist.de/en](http://congress.stuttgart-tourist.de/en)



**INDIA: India unveils national MICE policy**



A national policy for MICE will be unveiled by the end of September 2013, a strongly expected action to enhance India as an international MICE destination. India Convention Promotion Bureau (ICPB) recently had a meeting with the Ministry of Commerce regarding the financing necessary for a strong and aggressive marketing. The new MICE policy will include a system to record MICE-related statistics in the country, a guidebook providing information on India's various MICE facilities for foreign buyers, and education programs for state governments on the economic benefits of MICE events.

One of the first activities will be the invitation of about 50 buyers from around

the world to take part in the ICPB's silver jubilee.

[www.icpb.org](http://www.icpb.org)

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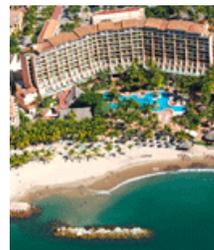


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**SINGAPORE: Suntec Singapore Convention and Exhibition Centre - open again for MICE business**

SUNTEC Singapore Convention and Exhibition Centre is open to welcome MICE business again after major renovation works. The rejuvenated convention center now showcases a modernized façade with a three-storey interactive digital wall and offers free Wi-Fi throughout its premises. The convention center's calendar is packed with events until the end of 2013, including the Singapore Chinese Chamber of Commerce and Industry's SME events, as well as Spikes Asia 2013.

[www.suntecsingapore.com](http://www.suntecsingapore.com)



**Fiesta Americana Puerto Vallarta**

**Puerto Vallarta, Mexico**  
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291 Rooms/Suites 7 Mtg Rms,

Theater 520, Classroom 370, Cocktail 550, Banquet 420

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**EMBRATUR Brazilian Tourist Board**

**Brasilia, Brazil**  
Brazil, with breathtaking destinations and attractions, more than contributes its fair share to the MICE industry. According to ICCA, it's been ranked among the ten most important destinations for MICE. The country is not only hosting the World Cup in 2014 and the Olympic Games in 2016 but also - due to large investments into the constructions of congress centers and

new hotels - provides highest level infrastructure, excellent service and experienced, motivated experts for MICE events.

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**Elite Hotel Marina Tower Stockholm**

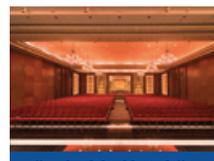
**Stockholm, Sweden**  
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186 Rooms/Suites, 14 Mtg Rms,

Theater 400, Classroom 300, Banquet 250

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**Corinthia Hotel St. Petersburg**

**Saint Petersburg, Russia**  
Situated in the heart of St. Petersburg, within walking distance to the major historical sites ( Winter Palace / Russian Museum) as well as local business centers the hotel has completed the award winning renovation of its two majestic 19th century buildings. Offering an opulent

interior overflowing with art, beauty and modern luxury and high-end conference rooms the hotel is a premier choice for MICE events.

388 Rooms/Suites, 15 Mtg Rms,

Theater 550, Classroom 270, Cocktail 500, Banquet 350

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**Moscow Country Club Golf Resort**

### Moscow, Russia

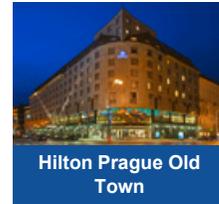
Russia's first 18 hole golf course transformed into a one-of-a-kind golf resort situated only 45 minutes from Moscow city center. Offering a 131-room 5-Star hotel, 54 timber built cottages, a large Spa & Sports Club and a conference center including a 247 seat auditorium and 9 modern meeting rooms, the property is an ideal

venue for remarkable events in an extraordinary surrounding. 131

Rooms/Suites, 10 Mtg Rms,

Theater 247, Classroom 80, Cocktail 200, Banquet 180

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**Hilton Prague Old Town**

### Prague, Czech Republic

With its excellent facilities and exceptional service and being located in the city center of Prague the hotel enjoys a prime position within the local and foreign community. All major and famous sights as well as the business district are within walking distance from the hotel. In total there are 14

individually designed meeting rooms, all with natural daylight, and the large Dvorák Ballroom accommodates up to 270 people. 303 Rooms/Suites, 10 Mtg Rms,

Theater 240, Classroom 120, Cocktail 240, Banquet 170

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