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WHARF HOTELS PROMOTES JORGEN CHRISTENSEN GENERAL MANAGER OF NEW LUXURY SKY HOTEL, NICCOLO CHANGSHA

27 March 2018 (Hong Kong SAR, China) – Wharf Hotels is pleased to announce the promotion of Mr Jorgen Christensen as General Manager of Niccolo Changsha, slated to open towards the end of 2018, as the fourth contemporary urban chic hotel under the Niccolo Hotels collection.



Crowning the top floors of Changsha International Finance Square (IFS), the 452-metre towering city landmark is comprised of a luxury sky hotel, Niccolo Changsha, high-fashion retail and corporate offices. IFS is located in the Hunan capital's premier address, Furong District, a new entertainment and business hub. Jorgen will oversee the new hotel's 243 sophisticated guest rooms and spectacular suites, placed between the 86th and 92nd floors of the development's new Tower One.

Prior to his appointment, Jorgen was the General Manager of the group's upscale deluxe property, Marco Polo Changzhou for 3 years. A seasoned hotelier with over 25 years of experience, Jorgen has held senior management positions with luxury hotel brands including Shangri-La Hotels and Resorts and The Langham Hotels and Resorts in Asia Pacific, as well as hospitality roles in Europe, and the United States. Over the years, Jorgen has opened four luxury hotels and repositioned four others, resulting in positive changes for the hotels and increased business with related returns for the owners.

"Jorgen's international experience with award-winning hotels and his enthusiasm for Chinese culture positions him to offer our guests exceptional service whilst establishing Niccolo Changsha as the epicentre for both business and leisure travel, as well as special occasions. Following the success of the brand's launch in Chengdu and subsequently Chongqing and new Hong Kong flagship, The Murray, Hong Kong, a Niccolo Hotel, Jorgen is tasked with positioning Niccolo Changsha to become an iconic landmark hotel for the city," said Thomas Salg, Vice President Operations of Wharf Hotels.

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Situated in the most vibrant part of the city the hotel facilities include contemporary elegant function and meeting spaces offering scenic and panoramic views of the city and Xiang River below. Facilities include elaborate conference and social event venues including The Conservatory, a luxurious 850-square-metre Ballroom, a refined Tea Lounge, sky high Bar 93, all-day-dining Niccolo Kitchen, a wellness centre, pool and spa.

Centrally located, the new hotel will become a destination for captains of industry and leaders in style to embrace corporate and leisure travel, retail and signature dining experiences.

Jorgen is a graduate of Hospitality Management from Bournemouth University, married and a father of two children.



About Wharf Hotels

The Spirit of Discovery

Emanating the spirit of discovery, Wharf Hotels, a wholly owned subsidiary of The Wharf (Holdings) Ltd, is based in Hong Kong SAR of China, and currently operates 16 owned or managed hotels under Niccolo or Marco Polo Hotels in China, Hong Kong and the Philippines. Niccolo Hotels was added to the group's portfolio in 2015 as the new luxury collection, positioning the brand as contemporary urban chic. The Murray, Hong Kong, a Niccolo Hotel, opened in January 2018 as the brand's flagship hotel, with 2 new Niccolo hotels currently under development in China following successful openings in Chengdu and Chongqing. Marco Polo's deluxe hotels in established locations maintain their ethos to explore, discover and experience a destination, drawing on the philosophies of its namesake, Marco Polo: an adventurer, a traveller, an entrepreneur and a connoisseur of culture - just as Marco Polo's modern travellers are today. Further details are available at wharfhoteles.com.

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