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#### **Barry Brown to Dubai**

Emirates' Australasian head Barry Brown, is set to relocate to Dubai after being promoted to the role of Divisional Senior Vice President East, looking after Gulf, Middle East, West Asia, Indian Ocean, Far East and Australasia.

#### **Enchanting Princess**

**PRINCESS** Cruises is inviting travel agents to explore the features of its new Royal Princess - see the last page of TD today.



### Jetstar rejigs NZ domestic

JETSTAR will ditch direct flights between Queenstown and Wellington as part of a revamp of its NZ domestic network which will boost frequencies between Auckland and Christchurch.

The Wellington-Queenstown route, which has been in operation since Dec 2011, will be suspended from 01 Sep, after the winter ski season.

JQ Australia/NZ ceo David Hall said that despite the changes, Queenstown and Wellington are key destinations for Jetstar, and the airline will "continue to seek opportunities in both markets".

He said the revamped AKL-CHC schedule would give a better spread of services to provide

#### **Toomey Jets off**

GARY Toomey, formerly head of Ansett and Air New Zealand, has been appointed as ceo of Indian carrier Jet Airways.

Toomey was ceo of Ansett when it collapsed, and was most recently head of Airlines PNG.

His new role follows the resignation of Jet Airways ceo Nikos Kardassis earlier this month. more choice on main trunk routes with growing numbers of Kiwis travelling on Jetstar for business.

Qantas is offering a fee waiver on changes to codeshare tickets booked on the suspended route.

#### **Express CX Rewards**

**EXPRESS** Ticketing is today launching a new campaign with Cathay Pacific, giving agents payments on their Express Rewards Cards for every return ticket issued through to 14 Jul.

The most improved agents can also win return flights on CX and three nights in five star Hong Kong accommodation, while an inclusion for Independent Travel Group members is participation in the ITG Business Forum in Hong Kong from 22-24 Nov.

#### Another great issue

Travel Daily today has nine pages of news & photos, plus full pages from: (click)

- TMS Asia Pacific
- AA Appointments
- French Tourism

#### Sabre marketing role

**SABRE** Pacific yesterday announced the appointment of Naomi Miller as its new Marketing and Communications Manager, replacing Greer Krige.

Miller moves from her most recent role as Digital Marketing Manager for the Jetset Travelworld Group, and her career has also included senior marketing positions with Travelscene Corporate, American Express, Zuji and Flight Centre.











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### Fiji resorts on the market

**SONAISALI** Island Resort and Tadrai Island Resort in Fiji have both been placed up for sale, with an International Expressions of Interest campaign closing on 01 Aug this year.

Both are being offered with vacant possession, with Colliers International director of hotels Dean Humphries saying this gives buyers "the opportunity to partner with regional or international operators under an established brand".

Sonaisali is a household name, and has been owned by the McGrath family for the last two decades, while Tadrai is the newest retreat to be opened in Fiji and offers five luxury beachfront villas and "significant future development potential".

Boasting 123 bures and hotel rooms, Sonaisali also offers a dive business, restaurant, marina, conferencing and retail facilities.

Humphries said both properties are located on large tracts of long term leasehold land, adding "with the unprecedented growth in Fiji's tourism market, we expect strong interest in these strategic

property opportunities".

Sonaisali and Tadrai are being offered for sale in one line or individually, and are being pitched as an ideal way to capitalise on expected growing visitor arrivals and "excellent trading conditions".

Other recent Fiji resort deals include the purchase of the former Walu Beach Resort which was acquired by Sportsnet Holidays owner Rob Cecconi and relaunched as Tropica Island Resort after a major makeover.

#### **HWT Adelaide sold**

AN UPDATE from the Travel Compensation Fund this morning reveals that Jetset Travelworld Group has sold one of its company owned Harvey World Travel stores.

The branch, which was owned by JTG subsidiary Stella Travel Services, is located at 29 King William Street Adelaide, and is continuing to trade under the Harvey World Travel brand, with the new owner being a firm called Forcett Pty Ltd ATF Kerry Hanel Investments Trust.





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**GROUP** buying websites are continuing to expand their presence in the travel market, with Scoopon today promoting packages to Europe or the UK, including return economy class

travel with Emirates and a three

night Dubai stopover. Priced from \$2959 per person,

the offer is available ex SYD, MEL, PER, BNE or ADL to a choice of 15 destinations in Europe.

Consumers purchase a "Scoopon" for the deal and bookings must be then made immediately, with changes and cancellations not permitted.

Scoopon is urging consumers to "book with confidence," citing its status as a licensed travel agent (TD 02 Nov) - although fulfilment in this case is done by Gold Coastbased Select World Travel.

#### **Deed Tourism Fiji role**

WAYNE Deed has been named as the regional director for Tourism Fiji in New Zealand.

Deed will take up his new role effective 15 Jul, moving from his current position as NZ regional manager for Destination NSW.

The "jaw-dropping offer" is valid for travel 03 Jul - 04 Aug this year, and Scoopon is offering a booking guarantee under which clients who are unable to secure preferred dates within 14 days of purchase can get a full refund.

The Dubai stopover is at the Shangri-La Hotel and includes breakfasts and airport transfers.

Only two of the deals can be purchased per customer - one redeemable by the purchaser and the other as a gift, with a two day purchase window now remaining.

Destinations on offer include Amsterdam, Athens, Barcelona, Dublin, Frankfurt, Geneva, Istanbul, Madrid, Manchester, Milan, Munich, Paris, Rome, Zurich or London.

Other travel deals being offered by Scoopon include packages from China Travel Service, China Bestours and The Holiday Centre.

#### QR confirms 9 777s

**BOEING** has announced an agreement with Qatar Airways for the purchase of nine 777-300ER aircraft, which will bring the QR 777 backlog to a total of 16.



## Window

KRISTIN Chenoweth, if nothing else, puts herself on show and allows the audience to get to know her on a deep and personal level.

Between songs during her Sydney concert last night (see page six), Chenoweth advised her next number was deeply linked to her Christian faith.

She invited all attendees to share in her next song if they were also Christians, jokingly added that for those that weren't - it would be over in four minutes.

BIKE tours of the future.

Two British inventors have designed a flying bicycle that requires no license to operate and is capable of operation at altitudes of up to 4,000ft.

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#### **Bondi Adina open**

**TOGA** Hospitality vesterday welcomed the first guests to its new Adina Apartment Hotel at Svdnev's Bondi Beach.

The property features a range of studio, one, two and three bedroom apartments along with full hotel service and "premium lifestyle facilities" including a pool, gym and outdoor space.

"We are excited to unveil stage one of the Adina Apartment Hotel Bondi Beach development at one of Australia's most iconic locations," Toga Hotels ceo Rachel Argaman said.

"This area has been the number one requested location from our guests for many years and we are delighted to finally be able to provide it," she said.

In Sep, a new retail precinct opening as part of the hotel will feature a selection of gourmet providores, while the property's "commanding location" in Hall Street, Bondi sees it set in a "diverse mecca of vibrant restaurants and trendy shops," Toga said.

#### Air Canada Cuba comp

TRAVEL Daily readers today have an opportunity to win a double pass to the Sydney Cuban Salsa Congress, which takes place

A piece of Cuba comes to Sydney for the event which features professional artists, dance workshops, live bands and much more.

Air Canada is part of the fun because it now offers daily flights to Cuba with easy connections to its Australian services for Aussies wanting to soak up the spirit of the country.

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#### Merlin set to float

**MERLIN** Entertainments, the global attraction operator with assets including Madame Tussaud's, Sydney Aquarium and the Victorian skifields of Mt Hotham and Falls Creek, is set for a public share float on the London Stock Exchange.

According to the UK Guardian, the current owners, private equity firms CVC and Blackstone, hope to raise more than £3b.



**THE** Hong Kong Tourism Board in partnership with Qantas, the Conrad Hong Kong and Royal Caribbean last week hosted key industry partners in Hong Kong to showcase the destination's fabulous state-of-the-art Kai Tak Cruise Terminal.

The new facility commenced operations on 12 Jun when it welcomed Royal Caribbean's Mariner of the Seas, and the special guests enjoyed a tour of the terminal which was designed by Foster & Partners.

More than 3000 passengers on board for the maiden call received a traditional welcome of lion and dragon dancers plus drum performances, with the welcome ceremony attended by Philip Yung, Commissioner for Tourism of the Hong Kong SAR Government.

The Hong Kong Tourism Board is using the world class facility to promote the city as "Asia's Cruise Hub," encouraging international cruise operators to feature Hong Kong in their itineraries.

A key component of the push is also working with the local travel trade to develop new onshore excursions for passengers.

**Pictured** on the rooftop of the Kai Tak Cruise Teminal with Hong Kong Island in the background are, from left: Rob Crack, Flight Centre; Mason Adams, Asia Escape Holidays; Carl Frier, Cruise 1st; Andrew Clark, Hong Kong Tourism Board; Wadad Moore, Qantas Airways; Kelly Daniels, The Cruise Team; Narae Park, Hilton Worldwide; Peter McCormack, Royal Caribbean International; and Kevin Sharp, Our Vacation



#### Sun Island Egypt deal

**SUN** Island Tours is offering savings of up to \$674 per couple for bookings to Egypt from now to 30 Sep - for details call 1300 665 673 or 02 9211 3822.



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### Stars, stripes and maple leaves



TRAFALGAR has released a series of special air and land deals on its new 2013/14 America and Canada program, in conjunctions with promotion of the destinations on the Channel 7 Morning Show (TD yesterday).

In conjunction with the Canadian Tourism Commission and Virgin Australia, there are combined savings of up to \$600 per couple - comprising \$400 on a Trafalgar guided holiday plus \$200 off VA flights to LAX, priced

from \$995pp return for the first 200 pax who deposit by 28 Jun.

There's also a 10% saving available under Trafalgar's 2014 Early Payment Discount.

Pictured above celebrating Trafalgar's North America Week are, from left: Anthony Harris, Alissa Knight, md Matthew Cameron-Smith, Rachael Harding and Conrad McCall.

The North America Week TV segments can be viewed at youtube.com/TrafalgarWeb.

#### Oman seat assignment

TRAVELPORT and Oman Air have announced a new Interactive Seat Assignment functionality, which allows travel agents to request seat maps and assign, change or cancel specific seats in a real-time environment.

The system is available to consultants using Galileo or Worldspan, and enables agents to significantly improve their service to customers.

**MEANWHILE**, Travelport has also issued an update on the rollout of its Universal Desktop system, which is now in use by more than 8,000 travel agents worldwide.

#### Melbourne rainforest

**MELBOURNE** Aquarium has launched a new Rainforest Adventure exhibit just in time for the school holidays.

The new adventure allows visitors to experience some of Australia's truly unique creatures including "bizarre bugs, aquatic reptiles, river giants, ancient Australians and the world's largest display of Archerfish".

It's one of 12 new zones which are being launched during the \$8 million five month refurbishment plan for the aquarium.

The holidays will also see the aquarium feature a special visit from the Octonauts.



**WELCOME** to *Money Talk,* **TD's** Tue feature on what the Australian dollar is doing.

#### \$1AUD = US\$0.95

**THE** Australian dollar has continued its downward slide over the last week, weakening significantly against most other major currencies.

The main driver of the drop has been moves by the US Federal Reserve, as well as lower interest rates locally which have reduced the attraction of the Aussie \$ for global traders.

Stimulus measures in Japan have also seen an increase in the Japanese Yen, while statements by the Chinese Govt have also seen an appreciation in the yuan.

Volatility in oil prices continue to impact aviation, with fuel costs surging over the last week. Wholesale rates this morning:

US	\$0.952
UK	£0.606
NZ	\$1.185
Euro	€0.712
Japan	¥90.12
Singapore	\$1.189
China	¥5.645
South Africa	R9.403
Canada	\$0.966
Crude oil	US\$97.89



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#### Topdeck winter deal

**YOUTH** tour operator Topdeck has cut 5% from the price of its 14-day Winter Wonder itinerary for bookings paid six months in advance, with the tour priced from \$2266pp - ph 1300 886 332.

#### VTIC seeks more dosh

**VICTORIA** Tourism Industry Council boss Dianne Smith has praised a \$350,000 funding boost to tourism initiatives in regional parts of the stats, but called for further investments to arrest declining visitor numbers.

"The tourism and events industries diversify the economy and are great employers.

"These industries should be considered a high priority at all levels of government," Smith said.

#### Club Med snow sales

**BOOKINGS** for Club Med global ski resorts are strong from the Australian market, the firm said.

Japan is leading the way, up 35% y-on-y, with Italy's Pragelato Vialattea now Europe's second most popular resort for Aussies.



**GLOBAL** music superstar Kristin Chenoweth last night wrapped up her Australian tour at Sydney's Opera House, bringing her angelic voice, magnetic charisma and natural flair to a packed house.

Chenoweth is also the official Godmother to the newest Royal

Caribbean vessel - Quantum of the Seas - which will make its grand debut sailing from New Jersey from Nov next year.

Royal Caribbean Int'l hosted a number of select guests, of which Travel Daily was among, to partake in Chenoweth's luminous Sydney concert.

On a number of occasions, Chenoweth said it was a personal career highlight to be performing on the storied stage of the Sydney Opera House and that she was well aware and in awe of the idols who had graced that very stage prior to herself.

The glittering songstress captivated the audience through a two-hour plus set, made up of a



selection of her personal favourite melodies, her own original numbers, themes from some of her most famous TV shows and stageshow musicals.

Chenoweth also performed a number of iconic hits made famous by other artists but which, on this night, she firmly made her own.

Between musical numbers and sometimes during, Chenoweth delighted the audience with her radiant personality, charm and quick wit, regaling stories from her upbringing in Oklahoma, her family, faith & musical influences.

The highlight of the night for the dynamic 4'11 star was when she surprised Australian performer Lucy Durack, who happened to be in the audience, calling her on stage to perform one of their dual hits "For Good", together.

Durack had flown in from the US for the show, unaware Chenoweth knew and would call her on stage to perform their dual hit from "Wicked", with the impromptu performance worthy of the standing ovation they subsequently received.

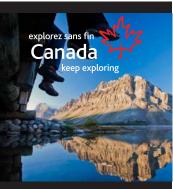
Pictured above from left are three of Chenoweth's biggest and newest fans in Tony Soden, Tessa Anderssen and Adam Armstrong from Royal Caribbean Cruises.

#### Port Stephens jealous

**DESTINATION** Port Stephens has launched a new "Go Wild" winter digital marketing campaign utilising images of humpback whale watching, dolphins and the region's adventure activities.

The pitch is being supported by Destination NSW, with special travel packages developed incl two-nights with a whale watching cruise and bike hire priced from \$335 per couple.

Advertisements will appear on Sydney ferries, Melbourne's trains as well as outdoor billboards encouraging domestic holidays under the region's popular existing "P.S. I Love You" campaign.



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#### **AFTA UPDATE**

The latest updates from AFTA's Chief Executive, Jayson Westbury

**OVER** the weekend, the Danii Meads-Barlow Jelly Bean charity ball was held in Sydney at the Sofitel Hotel.

The Danii Meads-Barlow Foundation which hosted the event was formed by Donna and Brian Meads-Barlow after the sudden death of their daughter Daniella in Nov 2011.

Daniella suffered from a type of diabetes that in young people particularly can develop symptoms that result in death. In a very confronting way, it is known as "Dead in Bed". For the Meads-Barlow family, this was something that they had never thought would happen to them. The Danii Foundation is all about helping to fund a device that has been invented to warn carers or parents when symptoms develop like in Daniella's case by sounding a warning, allowing the parent to assist and save a life. An incredibly powerful message, which on the surface is such a simple solution.

It was wonderful to see such a big travel industry crowd supporting the event last Saturday night and great to catch up with old friends and tell stories as we all love to do.

In support of the Danii Foundation, AFTA will be donating a special lucky door prize at the NTIA this year and we hope that this will help build the profile of the Foundation so that it can go on to help more families and make a difference in the world.

It is easy to get caught up in our everyday busy lives, and every now and then it feels good to stop and contribute particularly when the work that is being done saves lives and has the wonderful goal of making "Dead in Bed" a historic thing of the past.

Congratulations to Donna and Brian for having the courage and the deep love that was very evident to go on past their loss and create something so special in the memory of their daughter.

If you want to get more information or donate, go to the foundation's website at www.danii.org.au.

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#### Finnair links to Asia

**DIRECT** services from Helsinki to Hanoi, Vietnam & Xi'an, China have this week begun operation by Finnair, with both services confirmed by the carrier last year.



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#### Dom. Symposium trivia champs



MORE than 40 agents from across Sydney were in attendance at the first Australian Domestic Symposium pub trivia night, held last week at PJ O'Brien's Irish pub in the city (TD 09 May).

Australian Domestic Symposium is the name given to a collection of domestic wholesalers working together to promote locally based product via agent engagement and via its Facebook profile.

Suppliers in attendance, all passionate about Australia's diverse tourism offerings included AAT Kings, Inspiring Journeys. APT. Territory Discoveries. Coral Princess, Sunlover Holidays, Cable Beach Club Resort, Voyages Indigenous Tourism Australia, Hayman, Hamilton Island, Accor, DriveAway Holidays, Captain Cook Cruises, Territory Discoveries and

Taking out the winners title for the evening was the team known as the "Hayman Hotties", who are pictured above with Elise Bell from Voyages and consisted of Victoria Ware, Stephanie Brown, Robert Burnet, Vanessa Buttigieg, Dannelle Talvi, Domonic Mehling, Hayman Island and Jessica Boston from Territory Discoveries.







#### SQ loads dropping

**SINGAPORE** Airlines has reported its average passenger load factor across its network fell by 1.2% for the month of May due to higher capacity deployed.

Despite the fall, overall numbers were up 1% with 1,472,000 pax uplifted over the month.

Load factors to Australia and other South West Pacific routes declined 1.9% to 71.3% overall.

#### Prepaid cash top-up

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#### **GTA Onyx Asia boost**

**HOTEL** brands Amari & Ozo. which are operated by the Onyx Hospitality Group, have signed a distribution agreement with GTA for its group of 34 hotels in Thailand, Hong Kong and Qatar.

#### **Latest TCF updates**

TRAVELSCENE at Sirocco in Torquay, Vic has closed, according to the latest update from the Travel Compensation Fund.

Fellow JTG sister-brands Harvey World Travel and Jetset Travel have opened new outlets in Penrith & Colac, Vic respectively.

Other new head office additions registered to the fund include Jumpa Travel in Canley Vale, NSW; Cheetah Travel Centre in Pascoe Vale, Vic & Cruise Addict at Hamlyn Terrace, NSW.











#### **Turkey DFAT update**

**THE** Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade has updated its Smartraveller advice for Turkey, as ongoing unrest in Istanbul saw authorities close the road leading to Taksim Square in front of the Australian Consulate-General.

The consulate is still accessible, but Australians wanting to visit will need to show their passport identification to access the area which is closed to taxis and most other vehicles.

The overall advice remains at the mid-range 'Exercise a high degree of caution' level.

#### **Kuwait Best Western**

**BEST** Western Hotels has debuted its first Kuwait property, with the opening of the new Best Western Mahboula.

The 18-storey property has 96 rooms including 16 suites, and offers free internet access and two floors dedicated to conference and banquet space.

There's also a pool, gymnasium and a restaurant.

### Globus top sellers head to Spain

GLOBUS' top-selling groups agents visited seven cities on an eight-night Best of Spain tour that covered the country, leaving no marble and granite stone unturned.

The group, from country NSW, Perth, Tasmania, the



Gold Coast and Victoria were led by Globus' Darren Perry, Renata DeVincenzo and Adam Mussolum.

Kicking off in marvellous Madrid, the tour did a virtual loop of the country, taking in Toledo, Cordoba, Seville, Granada, Valencia and Barcelona, ending with a half-day optional excursion to Monserrat, located 55km from the city of Barcelona.

Every day produced fantastic highlights: the Prado Museum in Madrid, the walled city of Toledo, the "Mosque-Cathedral" of Cordoba, Seville's architecture, the Alhambra Palace and Generalife Gardens of Granada, Valencia's stunning City of Arts

and Science and the mind-blowing designs of Barcelona's renowned architect Antonio Gaudi.

The tour was an encyclopaedic exploration of more than 2000 years

of history and some of the most spectacular architecture and design in Europe - along with a culinary exploration that saw agents & pax sample paella, tapas, tortilla, Iberia pork, sangria & vino blanco.

Globus has added several new features to the Best of Spain tour including more dinners in local restaurants, while free wi-fi on the coach & in hotels was popular.

Participating in the famil trip were agents Sammie Williams, Travel Hotspot; Susan Martin, Macleay Valley Travel; Jenny Aitchison, Northern Highland Travel; Glenys Williams, New England Travel; Alan Valpied, HWT Ballarat; Geoff Richardson, **HWT Devonport and Kylie Cornish** from IYC Varsity Lakes along with 26 passengers from Australia, the US. Canada and Thailand.

Pictured above top right on the Serpentine Bench at Park Guell in Barcelona from left is Geoff Richardson, Darren Perry, Renata DeVincenzo and Sammie Williams, while bottom left is Geoff Richardson & Alan Valpied.

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#### PAL off to Doha

PHILIPPINE Airlines has opened reservations for its new direct flights from Manila to Doha in Qatar, with six weekly services set to operate using its 414-seat all economy class A330-300 configuration (TD 13 Jun).

There's set to be a significant boost in capacity between the Philippines and Qatar, with the PR move coming just a day after QR confirmed its new direct flights from Doha to Clark (TD yest).



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#### Ribbon cut to open new Quest



FRANKTON Deputy Mayor Colin Hampton was one of a number of local counsellors in attendance at the official opening ceremonies for the new Quest Frankston on the Bay property this week, which was celebrated with a fabulous

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party at the property.

Attendees included local members of the tourism industry, Quest staff and representatives of the Frankston City Council.

The new serviced apartments, Quest's second property in the Frankston area, form part of a significant redevelopment of the Peninsula Centre and signify the firm establishment of the area as a key business and industrial hub.

**Quest Serviced Apartments** general manager Tony Gauci thanked the city of Frankston for its ongoing support of the brand.

"Our core growth strategy is to open properties in areas which will support a successful accommodation business in the long term," Gauci said.

"The growing economy in the City of Frankston indicates this will be the case".

Gauci is pictured above helping to cut the ceremonial opening ribbon at the opening party with Deputy Mayor Colin Hampton.

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1st Prize: 4-night holiday to Dubai, courtesy of Emirates and Holiday Inn





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#### **Premium Jetblue seat**

**US LOW-COST** carrier JetBlue is set to ramp up its presence in the business market, adding Premium seating to its new Airbus A321s upon receipt of the first of its new aircraft early next year.

The jets, aimed at competing for the lucrative business market, will be deployed on routes between New York and LAX/San Francisco and will offer 16 "mini suites" featuring sliding doors for privacy.

#### **A&K** guaranteed trips

STRONG demand and double digit year-on-year growth has seen Abercrombie & Kent release 50 new guaranteed departures of 23 escorted small group trips, A&K president Phil Otterson said.

The itineraries will depart late in the Northern Summer and are for destinations including Myanmar, Italy and the Galapagos Islands.

A&K has added a new Travelling Bell Boy service to many of its 2013 itineraries, which sees pax leave their bags in their room upon departure and finding them in their next room on arrival.



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#### **Travelport Merch vid**

**TECHNOLOGY** firm Travelport has released a new video detailing its new Travelport Merchandising Solutions.

The futuristic video focuses on the relationship between the firm and travel agents worldwide and how the system works - to view it, go to www.bit.ly/tportmerch.

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Q.11: Which cabin categories receive Butler service on board the Scenic 'Space-Ships'?







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