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### italktravel now national

**EXPRESS** Travel Group's (ETG) italktravelbrand has established a presence in all states of Australia, with 30 outlets now open and a further two in WA set to debut in the next few weeks.

The growth comes just a year after italktravel launched, with ETG ceo Tom Manwaring telling TD today he's particularly pleased about the additions which include the former Jetset Midland agency run by the respected Ronnie

#### **Egyptian excitement**

**TEMPO** Holidays is today promoting its "Egyptian Savings Extravaganza," with a range of offers to mark the resurgence in popularity of the destination.

See the cover page for details.

#### Today's issue of TD

Travel Daily today has nine pages of news and photos, a front full page for Tempo Holidays, plus full pages: (click)

- AA Appointments jobs
- Consolidated/SQ promo
- Travel Trade Recruitment
- Club Med

Malthouse and Dave Ahlhauser.

Also new to italktravel is an agency in Kununurra, with Manwaring saying a further 8-10 contracts are in process, which would bring the group to 40 fully branded members in the next couple of months - placing it firmly on track for a 70-strong membership by the end of the year and 100-plus for 2016.

"This is very much a marathon, not a sprint," he said.

"We want to push this brand through local people that really know travel," he said, with members attracted by the strong italktravel brand, guaranteed territories and low franchise costs.

Manwaring said an analysis of volume indicates that over 90% of product sold through the italktravel agencies is from the group's preferred stable of 40 airlines and 35 other suppliers.

#### **Club Med Maldives**

**CLUB** Med has launched its new Finolhu Villas in the Maldives, part of the Club Med "exclusive collection" of properties.

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## **OTAs failing in conversion**

**CONSUMERS** find online travel agents to be a great source of flight information, but after researching their trips, more than 70% end up booking elsewhere.

That is one of the findings of a study conducted by Global Reviews International, which tracked the "customer journey" across key travel industry brands.

The research found that Flight Centre's website offered the best experience of engagement for prospective travellers considering a trip, followed by Qantas, then Helloworld and then the Virgin Australia portal.

However aggregator websites stumbled when it came to

#### **Disney river cruises**

**DISNEY** is set to announce a new partnership with river cruise operator AmaWaterways - partowned by APT - to offer "family-focused" Danube voyages starting from next year.

Seven-night voyages between Budapest and Vilshofen will utilise a new custom-built vessel with family cabins able to sleep up to five, according to *USA Today*. actually booking, with 45% of users moving to the airline site to book directly and a further 27% either booking through a travel agent or making a phone booking.

The key driver of which site to use was a belief that it offered the best prices or offers, while 70% also used 3-5 websites when researching international flights.

Global Reviews commercial director Jane Robertson said despite OTAs playing a crucial role in aiding flight selection, sales are not being converted.

"There is a lack of belief that aggregators offer the best price," she said, suggesting OTAs need to change their messaging in order to grow market share.

**CLICK HERE** for the full report.

#### Consolidated SQ \$\$\$\$

**CONSOLIDATED** Travel is offering \$10,000 to the agent with the best Singapore Airlines sales between 13 Apr and 07 May.

There are also weekly \$1000 prizes for the top selling agent in each state, plus vouchers of \$50 per business class and \$20 per economy class ticket - see **p11**.









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#### Asian chow fee free on Norwegian

**PASSENGERS** cruising with Norwegian Cruise Line will be able to eat at onboard Asian dining venues at no extra charge, the cruise line has announced.

The initiative will see the prior surcharge dropped at venues such as Shanghai's Noodle Bar on Norwegian Epic, Jasmine Garden on Norwegian Jade and Chin Chin on Norwegian Jewel.

A cover charge still applies to Teppanyaki restaurants and Sushi venues - for further details, see today's issue of Cruise Weekly.

#### \$15K agent incentive

**CREATIVE** Holidays is marking the launch of a brand new portal by offering agents the chance to win a \$15,000 "dream holiday".

To enter, agents need to log in to creativeholidays.com/agents & build and save a holiday quote comprised of flights, hotels, transfers and experiences.

Agents must then say within 25 words what their favourite facet of the new website is and why.

The comp runs until 29 May, for more details, CLICK HERE.

#### **Holiday Inn Vanuatu** closed for 6 months

THE family friendly Holiday Inn Resort Vanuatu has confirmed it will be closed indefinitely as a result of damage from the recent tropical Cyclone Pam.

"Unfortunately we have had to make the decision to close the resort for at least six months," the resort said on social media.

"We are making sure that we not only provide a safe environment for all our fantastic guests now but also for the future," a Facebook update said.

Future affected guests will be provided full refunds.

The 148 room property is one of a small number of internationally branded hotels in Vanuatu.

#### **Bentours clarification**

**BENTOURS'** Follow the Light itinerary is 12 days duration - not 14 days (TD yesterday) - and includes a five-night Hurtigruten Coastal voyage and six nights hotel accommodation.

**CLICK HERE** for full details. The trip is discounted by 10% for departure from 01 Oct to 12 Dec, when booked in Apr.



# Window

**NEW** Zealand could be set for a British invasion, with Air NZ celebrating its 75th birthday by offering return tickets from the UK to Auckland for just £75.

But it won't be a free-for-all, with the promotion limited to just fifty of the bargain fares, which will go on sale at 9am on 16 Apr at the STA Travel shop in London Victoria.

Forty more will be available for phone bookings, and a few will be awarded via social media.

JETSTAR cuisine? Some may say that's an oxymoron, but the low-cost Qantas offshoot is working hard to change that, with the launch of the dish which won on last night's episode of My Kitchen Rules.

Lamb with Saffron Cauliflower, which debuted in a challenge where contestants were asked to create a dish that could be served at 30,000 feet, is now available for pre-purchase on selected Jetstar international routes for the next three months.





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### South Pacific air alliance

FIJI Airways & Air Vanuatu have today revealed a new codeshare partnership set to create a new seamless travel experience on flights between the South Pacific nations of Fiji and Vanuatu.

Under the venture, the FJ code of Fiji Airways will be placed on Air Vanuatu services from Port Vila to Suva and Nadi, while reciprocally Air Vanuatu's 'NF' flight code will be placed on Fiji Airways' services from Nadi and Suva to Port Vila.

The pact also includes interline capability from each carriers gateway points.

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veronica@travelcounsellors.com.au travelhomeworking.com.au FJ Board director Stefan Pichler said the arrangement "will ensure greater cooperation, coordination and ultimately better opportunities for travel between Fiji and Vanuatu".

Air Vanuatu ceo Joseph Laloyer said the agreement will provide more opportunity for overseas travellers to visit Vanuatu, with smooth connections from Asia and North America, namely Hong Kong and Los Angeles.

#### **Peninsula Wellness**

**PENINSULA** Hotels has rolled out a new 'Peninsula Wellness' program encompassing, healthy dining, spa and lifestyle facets at each property around the globe.

Among the program are the vedic aromatherapy-inspired spa treatments dubbed Sattva by Simply Peninsula and the Peninsula Sleep Ceremony - see www.peninsula.com/en/wellness.

#### **CVFR** appointment

**CVFR** Consolidation Services has announced the appointment of Lydwina Nio as business development manager NSW/Qld.

Nio has vast industry experience and was most recently involved in sales and contracting for Fiji Airways for the past two years.

#### **Explore TNQ promo**

TROPICAL North Queensland has hit TV screens with a new marketing campaign built around the experiences of 10 travellers.

Dubbed 'Paradise Through Your Lens', the clip traces the stories of recent visitors who documented their journey to TNQ using their video camera, producing personal stories about the Great Barrier Reef, nature, rainforest, wildlife, outdoor adventure, off-road exploration & indigenous culture.

Viewers are directed to the www.exploretnq.com.au website where they can view the clips through Tropical North Qld made by "passionate" travellers from Australia, New Zealand, France and the United States.

The platform also features a video itinerary builder, where users can make their own TNQ holiday and potentially win a trip.

#### **DriveAway incentive**

AGENTS booking a Peugeot Lease between 13 Apr & 30 Apr with DriveAway Holidays will received a \$150 Visa Debit Card as part of a new promotion.

The incentive is based on a minimum lease period of 21 days (except the Expert Tepee vehicle which is 35 days), with bookings required to be paid in full by 30 Apr - see driveaway.com.au.



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#### Manila return for \$199

**LOW-COST** carrier Cebu Pacific Air has slashed fares on the Sydney-Manila route to just \$199 return for travel during May.

On sale from now until 18 Apr, the fare is inclusive of taxes and fees but excludes meals and baggage allowances.

Return fares to Hong Kong, via Manila, are priced from \$599.





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#### Inflight wi-fi soars

**DATA** from a recently conducted global study on traveller interest in in-flight connectivity shows 1 in 5 passengers flying in the United States now look for the technology when booking flights.

According to communications service provider for airlines Gogo, the figure is up 4 percentage points on the same time in 2014.

The study found that more air travellers from outside the United States are more likely to carry their own wi-fi enabled devices on a flight and are more willing to pay for the services, compared to their US fellow travellers.

Also, 83% of foreign travellers expressed interest in using wi-fi vs 74% of American citizens, while 71% of overseas passengers wanted to access wireless in-flight entertainment, comparative to 59% of US customers.

#### Malaysia roadshow

**MALAYSIA** Airlines and Tourism Malaysia have announced they will host a product roadshow for agents in metro Melbourne and regional Victoria and Tasmania in late Apr and May.

Webinars will also be held on 27 Apr, 04 May and 13 May.

For specific locations and times, email Janet requesting details at janet.bell@malaysiaairlines.com.



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#### Insight off-peak guide

**NEW** Christmas Market tours to Poland, Austria & Italy have been introduced by Insight Vacations in its just released 2015/16 Autumn, Winter & Spring Europe program.

Managing director Joost Timmer said the new program is packed full of Insight's Signature Experiences and Signature Hotels.

Options include meeting a stallholder at the Vienna Christmas Markets, sampling the Austrian delicacy Linzer Torte, a paella cooking demonstration in Valencia with a master chef, and stays at the Gran Melia Fenix in Madrid or Swissotel Dresden.

Timmer said guests travelling in off-peak periods can save up to 24% of the summer price.

The brochure also marks the reintroduction of Insight Vacation's Egypt itineraries, comprised of three new Gold Luxury trip.

Each Egypt Gold trip includes a cruise on Uniworld Boutique River Cruise Collection's River Tosca on the Nile.

Trips operate from Oct through Apr - see insightvacations.com.



**THESE** lucky travel consultants have recently returned from a famil to the ski slopes of Italy and France hosted by Club Med.

The top selling agents were on Club Med's National Ski Famil to Club Med Pragelato, Italy and the brand new Val Thorens Sensations, France in the heart of 3 Valleys.

Located in the Piedmont region at 1,600m above sea level, the 4 Trident Pragelato Vialattea was the Athletes Village for the 2006 Winter Olympic Games, giving agents a taste of the high quality product on offer with Club Med.

Crossing the border into France,

the participants then spent a few days at Val Thorens Sensations which offers apres-ski in a mountain-top setting.

Pictured at Val Thorens, back row from left are Adam Ferraro, Club Med bdm Vic & Tas; Mark Van Huisstede, italktravel Maitland; Miranda Barclay, Travelplan and Gilles Riou, Newport Travel.

In front are Laura Donoghue, Mogul Ski World; Louise Leatherbarrow, TravelManagers; Fiona Provis, where2travel; Cindy Clauss, Escape Travel Cleveland; Sarah Wilmott, Globenet Travel and Suzie Heath, Snowscene.





**ABOVE:** The Rocky Mountaineer APAC sales team united last week for its National Conference to celebrate another record breaking season.

#### 5 new e-alliance pacts

**E-TICKETING** Platform Hahn Air Systems has added five new carriers to its global alliance during the first quarter of 2015.

The newcomers to the e-alliance are CM Airlines from Honduras, Federal Air from South Africa, Jubba Airways from Kenya, SkyGreece Airlines from Greece & Via Air from the United States.

Another 15 airlines are expected to join Hahn Air's e-alliance by the end of 2015.

Although there is plenty to celebrate in 2015, the focus has already shifted into planning mode for 2016, with a theme of 'the sky really is the limit'.

With that in mind, the Rocky Mountaineer staff experienced the iFLY Downunder vertical wind tunnel in Penrith.

Pictured from left in their iFLY suits are Steve Farrelly, national sales manager, APAC; Robert Halfpenny, director, sales APAC; Julie Rogers, group sales manager APAC; Julie Golding, sales manager, APAC; Mark Richardson, sales manager, APAC; Alicja Strus, CRM Coordinator, based in Vancouver and Dianna Schinella, sales manager, APAC.

#### AY A350s bookable

FINNAIR will become the first airline to operate the Airbus A350 XWB aircraft on scheduled flights to China, with tickets now on sale for its daily services to Shanghai which commences from 25 Oct.

Shanghai will be the oneworld carrier's first long-haul route from its Helsinki hub using the new state-of-the-art aircraft, followed thereafter by Beijing (21 Nov), Bangkok (04 Dec), Hong Kong (01 Feb) and Singapore (05 May).

A number of crew test flights are also planned to operate from Helsinki across Europe throughout early to mid-May.

Finnair has 19 A350s on order with Airbus and is expecting to receive its first four by the end of this year, seven in 2016 and 2017 and eight between 2018 & 2023.

#### globalCARS up comm

**BONUS** commission is being offered by globalCARS for travel agents booking rentals and car leases during this year's peak selling period of Apr, May & Jun.

"Super commissions" will be paid on car rental bookings worldwide through operators such as Alamo and Hertz and holiday car leasing for Citoren, Renault and Peugeot vehicles in Europe and the UK.

Call 1300 789 992 for details.



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

#### \$1AUD = US0.76

THE Australian dollar dropped sharply overnight after poor data out of China, with reports that exports and imports into one of the world's fastest growing economies declined heavily.

The Aussie is now at close to six year lows against the US greenback, which has also been climbing strongly after hints about an interest rate rise by the Federal Reserve.

The Australian dollar also fell against the Euro, pound and Japanese yen - good news for inbound tourism but likely to impact the overseas spending of Aussie tourists.

Wholesale rates this morning.

US	\$0.756
UK	£0.515
NZ Euro	\$1.011
Japan	€0.715 ¥90.85
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#### **Excite 500pt bonus**

**B2B** wholesaler Excite Holidays is tempting agents, offering 500 bonus reward points for every night booked at eligible hotels across Europe.

A pool of some 5 million rewards points have been thrown into the market as part of the promotion which runs until 31 May.

Excite Holidays has over 30,000 hotels across Europe involved, increasing earning opportunities.

Consultants can redeem reward points on any travel product sold on Excite Holidays' website, such as hotels, apartments, festivals and transfers.

There is no cap on the number of nights that can be booked, with qualified reservations needing to be paid by 31 Jul.

#### Melia Bali expansion

**MELIA** International Hotels is set to double its presence in Bali, with reports the group has signed three new properties.

The Spanish-based hotelier has finalised agreements to open Sol House Kuta in 2016, Melia Ubud in 2017 and Sol House Jimbaran in 2019, Kompass.com reported.

VP Asia Pacific Bernardo Cabot Estarellas said the ever growing number of visitors to Bali justified Melia's rapid development in the tourist hot spot.

#### NZ ski season launch

SKI fields on the South Island of New Zealand are scheduled to open for the 2015 season from 12 Jun in time for the school holidays, weather permitting.



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### 2014 Australia Tourism Awards



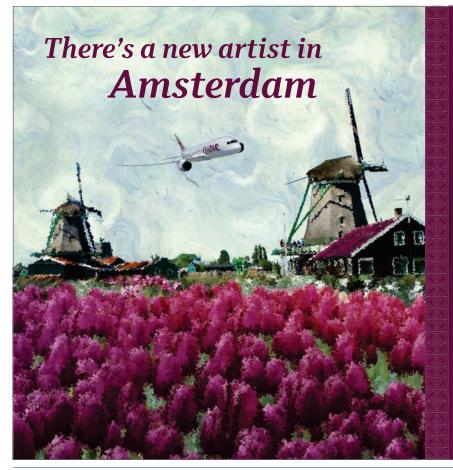
**ABOVE:** Ayers Rock Resort was one of the many winner at Fri night's prestigious annual Qantas Australian Tourism Awards 2014, taking out the accolade for Indigenous Tourism.

CEO Andrew Williams is pictured above accepting the award from Tourism Australia managing director John O'Sullivan (right), accompanied by Voyages

Indigenous Tourism Australia executive general manager sales, marketing & distribution Ray Stone (left) and pr & comms manager Karena Noble.

The gala was held at the Adelaide Convention Cetnre.

To view the full list of Gold, Silver and Bronze winners across each of the 28 categories go to australiantourismawards.com.au.



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#### **Record traffic at LHR**

**LONDON** Heathrow Airport has reported its busiest ever Mar, with a record 5.95 million pax passing through the UK airport last month, up 3.4% on 2014.

Growth came from emerging markets, with traffic out of Mexico jumping 26.5%, China up 20.2% and the Middle East & Central Asia rising 7.6%.

Load factors to LHR increased 1.6 percentage points year-on year to 73.3%, the airport said.

#### **Encore underway**

**SEABOURN** has commenced construction of its newest "ultra-luxury" vessel, with the first steel cut for *Seabourn Encore* at a special ceremony overnight.

The 600-passenger *Encore* is set to launch in Jan 2017.

#### **New ATDW tutorial**

**THE** Australian Tourism Data Warehouse's e-kit of training material for local operators has expanded with a new tutorial titled "How to prioritise your marketing spend when it comes to online marketing".

The addition is part of the bi-annual e-kit update, with manager Wendy Smith also confirming a new "Online in India" tutorial as part of the Mar 2015 release, with an overview of the emerging Indian market and its potential.

The full kit including the free tutorials can be accessed at www.tourismekit.atdw.com.au.

#### **Regency Ahmedabad**

**HYATT** Hotels Corporation has opened its second Hyatt-branded property in Ahmedabad India, opening the doors yesterday for the Hyatt Regency Ahmedabad.

Located in the city centre, the hotel features 210 rooms and is within walking distance of the Sabarmati riverfront.

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Please do not apply if you do not have experience.





# **AFTA update**

From AFTA's chief executive, Jayson Westbury

VOTING has closed for the NTIA 2015 with the poll closing yesterday at 5pm (EST). We have had once again a very large number of votes cast and it this goes to show just how interested the industry continues to be in the process of staging the National Travel Industry Awards.

For the nominees there is now a little waiting time to find out if the nomination progresses to the finalist stage. For many categories this will mean that finalists will have to make their way to Sydney in the coming months to sit before the judging panel and present against the criteria that has been developed.

This year we have assembled a panel of 12 judges from all walks of the industry, but fortunately for finalists they will only appear before a group of three. Another extensive process that we undertake every year to ensure that the awards have a real meaning.

For most of the supplier categories the contest is for the number of votes and when the finalists are announced next month this will bring forward those that have stood out from the pack.

Either way the next phase of the NTIA is one of great anticipation and the team at AFTA will be working around the clock to get this next step completed efficiently and within the time allocated.

For those finalists who will be judged, once they have been informed it is very important to ensure that they have all the information they need and a few tips.

For those that do make the cut I would strongly recommend taking a look at the "five top tips" video for finalist presentations online at www.afta.com.au/events/ntia/nominations-and-voting. Past years have shown that these tips are still very valid and increase a finalist's chances of winning.

So NTIA fever continues and will continue for some months to come in the lead up to the gala event on the 18th July. Good luck to all those finalists as the next phase begins.

I just wanted to finish off this week with a note about the passing of Richie Benaud. So many Australians have grown up with his voice, his impeccable talent and with a love of his sport, cricket. It is a sad mark in time for the nation and our sympathies go out to his family and all those of the cricket community across the globe. Vale Richie Benaud.

#### 9W/HM codesharing

JET Airways and Air Seychelles will begin codesharing on flights between Seychelles-Abu Dhabi & Seychelles-Mumbai from 01 May.

#### **BNE development**

construction has begun today on a new \$10m Aviation Australia campus at Brisbane Airport, slated to open next year.

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#### **KE to St Petersburg**

KOREAN Air will operate seasonal direct flights between Seoul and St Petersburg from 26 Apr, with the A330-200 service to fly three times per week.



TOURISM Fiji recently hosted hundreds of travel agents from Australia and New Zealand to an experience of Fiji as a reward for successfully completing the Matai online training program.

Famil groups ventured out to explore Fiji both prior to and following a two-day workshop at the Radisson Blu Fiji, where the agents had the chance to meet with 50 Fijian suppliers to learn more about the products available in the country.

#### ICC Sydney Asia push

**REPRESENTATIVES** from the International Convention Centre Sydney will visit Shanghai, Jakarta, Kuala Lumpur and Singapore in the coming weeks to promote the venue in the lead-up to its Dec 2016 opening.

Agents moved between tables in timed sessions to meet with as many suppliers as possible.

A series of games then took place to immerse the delegates in Fijian culture and lifestyle, such as learning a local dance complete with dressing up & face painting.

One of the groups is **pictured** above enjoying their famil, which included a multi-island adventure onboard Blue Lagoon Cruises.

From left in the back row are: Lorraine Drakeford, Let's Go Tour & Cruise; Michelle Schulze, TravelManagers; Carlah Walton, Tourism Fiji; Kate Stevens, ICMS Australasia and Nahdia Rahder from Helloworld Toowoomba Town Hall.

Front row: Michele Corcoran, Helloworld Mt Isa; Julie Painter, TravelManagers and Zina Romanov, Escape Travel Balmain.

#### **USM** capacity boost

THAILAND'S Civil Aviation Department has given the green light for the number of scheduled daily air services to Koh Samui to be raised from the current 36 to 50 flights.

At present, five carriers - THAI Airways, Bangkok Airways, SilkAir, Firefly and Lucky Air - operate direct flights to Samui Airport (USM) from hubs including Bangkok, Singapore, Hong Kong, Kuala Lumpur and Phuket.

#### Volaris to Guatemala

**GUATEMALA** will be the launch destination into Central America for Mexican low-cost carrier Volaris, effective 18 Jun.

The new routes will operate from Guadalajara and Cancun to GUA on a twice weekly basis.

#### Europcar revenue up

**EUROPCAR** overnight reported its first quarter 2015 results, with total revenue of €413.7m, up 6.2% year-on-year.

Key developments during the period included the new "Europear Lab" which is designed to "foster innovation and improve customers' mobility," as well as the purchase of a stake in French car-sharing firm Ubeego.

#### **Delano for Dubai**

**US COMPANY** Morgan Hotel Group has announced it will open its first Delano property in the Middle East in 2017.

The 110-key Denalo Dubai deluxe hotel property will be located on Palm Jumeirah and is part of a mixed-use resort development dubbed The8.



Sail around the world on an APT small ship cruise with this month's exciting Travel Daily competition, brought to you in partnership with Australia's leading award-winning cruise operator APT.

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Q8. APT's fleet of three 'Sky' ships all carry their own team of expert chefs who showcase world-class cuisine. Name two of the dishes you might enjoy onboard.





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This award winning client is looking for an energetic dynamic wholesale reservations consultant to join their friendly team. If you dream about the Taj Mahal or the Great Wall of China now you can sell it all day every day. Enjoy an excellent salary package with no sales targets and enjoy going overseas on annual educationals. This company offers amazing perks including access to global travel discounts and ongoing career progression. A min 12 mths travel industry experience & a friendly positive attitude is required.

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Our client is seeking a passionate travel consultant to join their team. This role will see you booking exciting travel arrangements for its members and the public to sporting events and worldwide destinations. If you're an expert with Sabre and SAM and able to start immediately then don't delay! Contact us NOW... This role could be yours today!

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Due to growth this well renowned travel company is seeking a customer focused consultant to join their team! This is your chance to move away from face to face consulting & service clients from a different side of the industry. Working in the Customer Service team, you will be responding to direct client enquires via email & telephone. If you have strong GDS knowledge & the ability to work on a rotating roster then apply today! With a high base salary & great team environment this really is a position you won't want to miss!

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#### **Travel Consultant**

#### Gold Coast, OTE\$60K+, Ref: 1551PS1

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