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Cooke leaving Wotif

WOTIF has today confirmed the resignation of ceo & md Robbie Cooke after 7 years leading the online firm (**TD** breaking news).

He's expected to leave Wotif by the end of this year.

Register for FUNDI

SOUTH African Tourism is encouraging agents to sign-up for its FUNDI specialist program "to have the power to negotiate in their favour" - details on **page 11**.

TQ restructure continues

TOURISM Queensland chairman Stephen Gregg has outlined plans for a "fresh direction" for the state's tourism authority as part of cost saving initiatives required by the Queensland Government.

In a letter sent out to partners via email this morning, Gregg said imperatives to achieve a doubling of the state's visitor expenditure to \$30 billion by 2020 would cost "several roles" within TQ.

Positions on the chopping block covered all levels of the business, including the Executive Director International & Executive Director Business Planning & Performance.

In Aug, ceo Anthony Hayes also suddenly departed Tourism Qld.

Over the next two months TQ will focus "on a new partnership model with regional tourism organisations, major partners and industry as a whole," Gregg said.

"If we are to achieve our 2020 growth targets we will all need to work smarter & more cooperatively, & these are the first crucial steps in this endeavour," he added.

Gregg was unable to comment on the future direction of Tourism Queensland at this stage, but said

day-to-day activities will continue under the guidance of acting ceo Leanne Coddington and "a core leadership team."

Interim changes see Exec Director of Marketing Steve Roberts take over int'l operations; Director of Inbound, Ross Gregory manage Eastern Hemisphere markets; and Director of Int'l Operations Andrew Sinclair responsible for Western Hemisphere markets.

Other areas remain largely unchanged at this stage, he said.

QT Sydney launch

THE 200-room QT Sydney opened yesterday in downtown Sydney, becoming the newest member of boutique hotelier Design Hotels.

Lead-in rates are priced from \$420 - www.qtsydney.com.au.

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NEXT business hotel debut

THE SilverNeedle Group has confirmed Australia as the launch market for a new 4-star hotel brand dubbed NEXT that's geared towards business travellers.

As revealed last year by the firm, NEXT Hotels would be the Singapore-based company's next strategy after buying Australia's Constellation Hotels (**TD** 29 Nov).

The first NEXT location will be in Brisbane after completing the \$57m acquisition of the 150-room Chifley at Lennons late yesterday - a hotel Constellation/SilverNeedle has managed for 15 years.

Located in Queen Street Mall, the property will be rebranded as NEXT Hotel Brisbane.

Previously owned by Abacus Group, SilverNeedle ceo Iqbal Jumabhoy told **TD** acquiring the Brisbane hotel was a combination of circumstance and wanting to develop its presence where it has its largest established base.

"We know the location, we know the city and so it made sense for us to make this as the first one," Jumabhoy said.

Jumabhoy described NEXT as "a concept that's been designed by

business travellers for business travellers", with a brand promise of 'making your time count.'

NEXT will strive to make business travel more productive, offering a plethora of services to lift efficiency, such as in-room work spaces, and fast check-in, wi-fi technology & food service.

The Lennons buy will see a \$37m refurbishment and a doubling of room count to about 300 - made by converting 10 lower floors of vacated office space into rooms.

He said the whole development would be completed by 2014 in time for the G20 Summit.

The project has received "very good cooperation" from Brisbane Council and is "very much in keeping with the development aspirations of Brisbane as a city."

"I think Brisbane is a strong market that needs better quality hotels and I'm hopeful that the market will welcome this new initiative," Jumabhoy said.

Expansion of the brand here will include major metros, but the second NEXT Hotel would likely be elsewhere in Asia Pacific, possibly Chiang Mai in Thailand.

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Temporary Sydney Expo centre

THE NSW government is set to call tenders for the creation of a temporary exhibition centre, with up to 25,000 square metres of space on offer during the redevelopment of the Darling Harbour precinct.

The interim project will be built at Glebe Island - currently used as a cargo ship facility - and include 15,000 square metres in a "high quality, fully serviced, air conditioned pavilion".

NSW Tourism Minister George Souris said the 'Glebe Island Expo' would help "boost the burgeoning exhibition industry, which generates more than \$100 million into the NSW economy each year".

Public transport improvements will be part of the project, with a ferry service likely, and the Glebe Island facility part of a "Sydney-wide solution" which will keep the events industry going during the three year construction period of the new Sydney International Convention, Exhibition and Entertainment Precinct (SICEEP) from late 2013.

More information in tomorrow's **Business Events News**.

TG names new chief

THAI Airways has named former chairman of majority state-owned broadcaster MCOT, Sorajak Kasemsuvan as its new president.

The carrier's former president, Piyasvasti Amranand was removed from his post by the TG board back in May (TD 23 May).

Kasemsuvan will assume his new position from next month.

Rail Plus adds Italo

RAIL Plus is now offering live bookings on the new Italian private high-speed rail company owned by Ferrari (TD 24 Apr).

The Italo network operates 300km/h services between Milan and Naples via Bologna, Florence and Rome, as well as a non-stop Milan-Rome journey which extends through to Salerno.

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AA shedding its crew

MORE than 1400 cabin crew from bankrupt carrier American Airlines have signed up to receive a \$40,000 voluntary redundancy package and walk away from the carrier.

The offering comes as the airline explores all possible options in how to emerge from Chapter 11 financial restrictions, including discussions over a possible merger with rival carrier US Airways.

As a result of the large number of voluntary resignations, AA says it will no longer need to make any additional cuts to crew numbers.



FORGET Tourism Australia's marketing campaigns - a protest group in Adelaide has put Australia in the spotlight around the world by staging a beach toilet sit-in.

The self-styled 'Coalition of the Constipated' saw the group of 12 men, dressed in black suits and bowler hats, each carry their own dunny down to the sand, drop their trousers and take a comfortable seat (below).

Apparently they were trying to draw attention to the lack of public toilets at Adelaide's Henley Beach.



LAMB is definitely on the menu for travellers at the world's busiest airport, where officials are testing a herd of sheep as a way of keeping weeds under control.

Atlanta International Airport apparently has about 3000 acres of "raw land" which it must maintain, keeping vegetation down so it doesn't grow into habitat for birds or other wildlife which could affect planes.

Atlanta's move follows an initiative at Chicago O'Hare, which recently advertised a position for a goat herder to look after some goats which would operate on "hard to mow" areas of the airport.

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SilverNeedle reviews

HOTEL brands under the former Constellation Hotels Group may be set for consolidation, with new owner SilverNeedle Hospitality confirming a "renovation of the brands" is currently underway.

SilverNeedle ce Iqbal Jumabhoy told **TD** yesterday in Sydney the 'renovation' could "possibly" lead to an integration of brands.

"I don't want to speak prematurely as the process is currently underway, but it could involve some consolidation where there is some overlap - we may need to look at that," he said.

Brands adopted in Australia late last year by SilverNeedle included Chifley, Grand Chifley, Country Comfort, Australis & Sundowner.

"We're looking at each of those brands and seeing how best to review & create different strategies for all of them," Jumabhoy said.

CTM AGM date

LISTED travel entity Corporate Travel Management will hold its Annual General Meeting in Brisbane at 11am on 19 Oct

Flights boost for AFL

VIRGIN Australia & Qantas have added three & two extra services respectively for this weekend's AFL Final Series.

Options include a new ADL/MEL and SYD/MEL flight with Virgin Australia and an extra ADL/MEL flight with QF on Sat 22 Sep.

Both carriers have added an extra MEL/ADL service for Sun 23 Sep.

ME touring option

A NEW Australian tour company, dubbed Gypsyant Boutique Tours, specialising in the Middle East region, has opened for business.

The operation is the brainchild of Susan, Libby and Candace Walker, will operate small group tours capped at 12 people to Egypt, Jordan, Morocco, Turkey and southern Spain and has an initial range of four itineraries.

See www.gypsyantours.com.au.

New Sunny Coast site

SUNSHINE Coast Destination Ltd has today launched its new website, which boasts innovative features showcasing the array of attractions and holiday options available in the area.

The new look platform also includes a booking engine, trip planner, newsletters, interactive map, blogs and social media links.

See visitsunshinecoast.com.au.

China to get 2nd Med

CLUB Med late yesterday said it will open its second all-inclusive resort in China next year.

To be located on the banks of the Li River between Guilin and Yangshuo in the country's south, the resort will feature a mixture of historical and modern Chinese influences in its look.

The resort will be known as the Club Med Guilin and will consist of 329 rooms, three restaurants, three bars and three swimming options including a child-free "zen" pool, a main pool and an indoor pool.

Reservations for Club Med Guilin will be open from 01 Nov for travel from 01 May next year, and will complement the existing Club Med resort in the north-eastern Chinese city of Yabuli.

LH plots LCC model

LUFTHANSA will this week present plans to its supervisory board detailing the proposed startup of a new European low-cost carrier of its own, according to a report by *WirtschaftsWoche*.

MEANWHILE, unnamed sources close to the situation have said the recent LH cabin crew strikes could have cost the airline up to €100 million, if lost revenue as a result of disgruntled passengers booking elsewhere is factored in.



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Guy Dundas from *Travel Daily* is leading our NRL Footy Tipping Competition, but according to the rules, isn't allowed to win - so **Ozlem Tuncay**, from Tramada Systems and **Jan Alexander**, from Travelscene Belrose, are fighting it out for the #1 position. They are neck and neck with equal scores of 265!

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Evergreen guarantees

EVERGREEN Tours says pax can book 2013 European coach tours and river cruises with confidence with 95% of departures now guaranteed to operate.

General manager Angus Crichton says agents and clients can have "total security" knowing their bookings for 2013 are firm, and also avoiding the hassle for agents of "reworking a booking."

SQ pax numbers surge

SINGAPORE Airlines has reported a 6.5% y-on-y spike in passengers carried in Aug, to 1.48 million.

Load factors for South West Pacific fell 1.3% to 73.6% as capacity outstripped demand.

Royal Begonia luxury

STARWOOD Hotels & Resorts Worldwide has unveiled its first China-based resort to its Luxury Collection portfolio.

The Royal Begonia, A Luxury Collection Resort features 142 rooms and 18 villas and is located in Sanya on Hainan Island.

Taiwan spend time in Sydney town

TIME for Taiwan was the theme for Taiwan Tourism's two-day workshops starting in Sydney today and in Melbourne on Thu.

A 30-strong delegation from the Asian nation is spearheading the workshops, where they will update agents and industry figures with all the latest developments taking place, which this year has so far attracted in excess of more than 400,000 Australian visitors.

At a lunch in Sydney yesterday, group leader Jean Chang, known as THE lady of Taiwan travel said a key part of the mission will be to meet with people actively selling travel and provide them with the tools they need to successfully sell Taiwan to their customers.

At the same time, the events co-incide with the launch of the office's biggest ever outdoor advertising campaign now appearing on buses and trams in Sydney and Melbourne with the "Time for Taiwan" message.

"The key to all this activity is to really underline how serious we



are about this market and what a wonderfully multi-faceted travel option we offer to travelling Australians," Pearl Lee, Marketing rep for the Taiwan Tourism Bureau in Australia told **TD**.

"As more Australians are beginning to slowly discover, Taiwan offers a unique culture, a gourmet food experience, bargain shopping, wonderful natural spas and hot springs, and great value for money," Lee added.

The workshop event at the Sydney Hilton tonight will be capped off by a dinner and a show by a troupe of Taiwanese dancers and performers.

Pictured from left at yesterday's function, are Taiwan Tourist Bureau director Arthur Hsieh; Jean Chang from Golden Foundation Tours Taipei & Sophia Yeh, Taiwan Visitors Association.



Money

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

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It's funny how the Aussie dollar works sometimes.

Anti-Japan protests have hit the streets of China recently, with demonstrators campaigning against Japanese control of the resource-rich Senkaku Islands in the East China Sea.

The disputes are threatening trade between the two nations, which is worth up to US\$340 billion per year - so much so that Japanese corporations are threatening to close down manufacturing while the disputes remain unresolved.

This has led to investor uncertainty, which has caused the Aussie dollar to tumble over the first days of the trading week. *Wholesale rates this morning:*

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Highlighting some of the many innovations that streamlines its daily operation, company managing director David Goldman described the wonders of applications such as conTgo, Sabre Pacific and Serko to keep travellers informed, safe and to handle all the back office filing.

"Gone are the days of reams of tickets, destination maps and notes, re-printing changing itineraries and harried phone calls in the middle of the night," Goldman told his audience.

"With a tap on the smart device screen the traveller can stay abreast of developing events [such as] sudden volcanic

eruptions for example & get back on the road, quickly and calmly."

A variety of Goldman Travel technology partners were on hand to explain in greater detail the ways their respective programs simplified the overall process from enquiry to research, booking and document delivery, through to crisis management, after travel reporting and future follow-up.

David Goldman is **pictured** above at the seminar with David Goldman, Ronni Kahn from Oz Harvest and Kimberly Meyer of Goldman Travel.

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Astana profit slumps

KAZAKHSTAN carrier Air Astana's president Peter Foster has said the airline faces some "short term financial challenges," after posting a US\$4.95 million first half profit - a big drop from the \$36.9m result for the previous corresponding period.

Speaking at an IATA gathering in Almaty, Foster also downplayed suggestions the carrier would join one of the global airline alliances.

He reiterated that KC offers a "unique network in this part of the world" and that airlines taking equity shareholdings in each other will "trump alliances".

Exotissimo into China

DESTINATION management firm Exotissimo Travel has continued on its recent expansion, opening a new office in China.

The new outlet follows the recent office opened in the UK last week (**TD** Wed) and takes the company's overall operation to nineteen offices in eight countries and employing 600 staff.

Canberra for beer-fest

THE Australian Capital Territory has made the Top 10 list of best locations to celebrate the world's biggest beer festival, Oktoberfest.

According to the *Skyscanner* study, Canberra ranked 10th.

Munich - the heart of the 17-day festival - was unsurprisingly the most popular city.

Delta charges ahead

DELTA Air Lines will roll out its popular recharging stations to 12 additional cities in the US and its first international location - its hub at Tokyo Narita Int'l Airport.

Located at airport terminal gates, the 'power stations' offer outlets to enable charging of mobiles devices and laptops.

New Sheraton Fuzhou

STARWOOD Hotels & Resorts has announced the opening of the new Sheraton Fuzhou Hotel in China's Fujian province.

A total of 12 new Sheratons are set to open in China by Dec.

Great Ocean Ride

MOTORCYCLE touring operator Compass Expeditions is expanding its Australian program with a new three-day Australia's Great Ocean Ride, which will see participants travel on a luxury BMW motorbike along the Great Ocean Road.

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It seems every driver is on a scam with dodgy gem and souvenir shops to deliver you to their doors. If the fare is really low the driver is working on getting his 200 Baht fee from the shop. Despite what he says, the shops are not cheap.

If you decide to go ahead, set your destination and make sure your driver takes you there. If you have a feeling that you are being steered down the wrong path, say "yoot tee nee" (Stop here).

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If your fare results in a dispute, drivers, especially in resorts such as Patong, can become aggressive. The number for the English-speaking tourist police service is 1155.



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VTIC use tennis appeal

NANJING in Eastern-China will next month host the first-ever China Australian Open tennis tournament, with the Victoria Tourism Industry Council banking on the event acting to promote the 2013 Australian Open event.

Stakes for the event are high, with two wildcard entries into Melbourne's annual Grand Slam event up for grabs to the winners of the tournament.

VTIC chief exec Dianne Smith praised the event as a wonderful advertisement for Victoria.

"The international exposure the China Australian Open event will bring is massive and will no doubt bring many more Chinese tourists and tennis fans to Victoria".

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EET's new groupie

EASTERN Europe Travel/Russian Travel Centre has appointed Christiane Doeur as head of its new dedicated groups division.

Douer is formerly from Tempo and Bentours, and will manage the "unprecedented" number of requests that the wholesaler is receiving for groups.

EET National Sales and Marketing Manager, Mike Tonkin, said he anticipates that within three years groups will account for 50% of the firm's turnover.

He said the public is increasingly coming to understand the financial benefits of travelling as a group and the ability to choose their own tailor-made itinerary.

"And agents need to get away from the idea that a group has to be 20 or 30 passengers - it can be as few as 10 friends who like to do things together," he said.

Tonkin added that groups are a great opportunity for travel agents to use their expertise and experience to combat the internet because of the complexity of organising a special interest group itinerary online.

More info 02 9262 1144.

Insight/Trafalgar deals

INSIGHT Vacations & Trafalgar are offering fares priced from \$1,549 with Virgin Australia and Etihad to Europe when booking a trip from either firm's 2013 Europe & Britain programs by 30 Nov.

Fares are also available with Singapore Airlines, priced from \$1,659 when booked by 30 Nov, available from Sydney, Brisbane, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth.

HKG reach new highs

HONG Kong International Airport has reported a 3.9% year-on-year increase in passenger movements for the month of Aug.

A total of 5.2 million pax utilised the facility throughout the month, while on-tarmac aircraft movements also increased to a total of 30,470 flights, a jump of 5.2% compared to Aug last year.



AFTA UPDATE

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

THOSE of you who read the Business Review Weekly (BRW) would be aware that Bunnik Tours won this year's BRW Private Business Awards - Excellence in Customer Service gong. (**TD** 03 Sep). This is a most outstanding achievement by Bunnik Tours and of course Dennis and Sacha Bunnik and their team. I say this for a couple of reasons.

Firstly, a travel company won a BRW award. Let's face it, this is big news for them but also for the travel industry as it demonstrates within a serious mainstream publication that a travel company can be taken seriously and win such a prestigious award.

Secondly, it is a real achievement for a South Australian travel company to take away such an award like this. And it was for Excellence in Customer Service. Which if you think about it, is one of the key selling points that travel agents make about themselves and more broadly the industry talks about all the time.

Industry heroes should be named and so I thought it very appropriate to draw the attention of anyone and everyone who reads this column each week to this wonderful win by Bunnik Tours.

They won against such companies as Di Bella Coffee (a major consumer brand), Entity Solutions (a national contractor management service provider) and Hilti Australia (the power tool company). Clearly not the normal competitive set that Bunnik Tours would be up against, but nevertheless a travel company shone through this year in these awards and showed that travel is a serious industry and one which can have people from outside of it recognise and acknowledge it as a service provider and in an excellent way.

The reason for the win draws reference to the above and beyond efforts made by Bunnik Tours at the time of civil unrest in Egypt. So well done to the team at Bunnik Tours for this wonderful win. An example to everyone in the travel industry that with service, you can win awards.



Spitsbergen increase

BENTOURS has lauded the Association of Arctic Expedition Cruise Operators' decision to ramp up its number of guidelines for sites in Spitsbergen from 9 to 21 for next year.

"Both Hurtigruten & Bentours welcome these new guidelines with open arms," the firm said.

Malay brick building

LEGOLAND Malaysia, the first park in Asia themed on the famous toy bricks, has officially opened to massive crowds in the Southern Malaysian region of Johor.

The park recorded an opening day crowd of more than 10,000 people, with the park hoping to lure up to 36m tourists by 2020.

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The trip was run by Air Tickets in conjunction with seats courtesy of Air China and Nexus Holidays, who provided the accommodation, transport & day tour experiences.

Pictured above enjoying the glorious sunshine is, from left in the back row, Sue Ross from Odyssey Travel; Minh Ma, Wing Sing Travel; Graham Fear, Show Group; Mark Chow, Bestway Travel; Rosemary Green, Merola's Travel Service and Stephen Huang, Honey World Travel.

Front Row: Maggie Wei, Skywings Travel; Anna Mulkearns,

APT free travel expos

INFORMATION sessions covering APT's destination range will take place next month in Perth, Sydney, Melbourne and Brisbane - register at www.aptouring.com.au/expo.

Time Fly's Travel; Suzanne Ng, Air Tickets; Lin Jia, Express Travelink and Soul Huang, Nexus Holidays.

Study into Heathrow

LONDON Mayor Boris Johnson has commissioned three companies to conduct studies in their respective areas of expertise into London's Heathrow Airport and its future viability and long-term operational needs.

Johnson expects the various studies will serve as dynamite for his case into the construction of a brand new airport facility in the Thames Estuary, an idea for which he has long been an advocate.

International Airlines Group head Willie Walsh and Virgin Group boss Sir Richard Branson have both lobbied hard for a third runway at LHR, a move that has been consistently rejected by UK Prime Minister David Cameron.

Likes to the Canucks

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Siteminder RDX pact

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The new connection will see Genares' offer its room inventories across hundreds of the world's largest online travel booking platforms as well as gain access to thousands of new booking portals.

TA Ad voted favourite

TOURISM Australia's recent television advertisement has been voted Australia's favourite at the 2012 Mumbrella Awards, and since its launch, has been viewed online more than 17.5m times.

Scoot off to Taipei

SINGAPOREAN low-cost carrier Scoot will today launch services between its Changi hub and its eighth destination in Taipei.

The route will commence as a thrice-weekly operation before increasing to daily from 29 Oct.

Carnival's future stops

CARNIVAL Cruise Lines in the US will end its "future cruises" program whereby passengers on a voyage can buy certificates able to be used on future cruises.

The program is being brought to a halt due to "poor economic performance," the company said.

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