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Travel Daily on location in Moscow, Russia

Today's issue of *TD* is coming to you aboard Viking Cruises' *Viking Akun* on a Volga River voyage between Moscow and St Petersburg.

A RIVER cruise is a great way to explore the mysteries of Russia, with Viking's four-ship fleet here operating regular 12-day itineraries between these two major cities.

Moscow and St Petersburg are key features, with three nights spent in each destination and a host of included and optional shore excursions on offer, making the most of Viking's long-time expertise.

Viking Akun, which was fully refurbished in 2014, carries 204 passengers all in outside staterooms - many with a spacious veranda - along with two bars, a large restaurant, a library, onboard shop and more.

Check out our pics of the ship at facebook.com/traveldaily.

Tempo creditors revealed

EXCLUSIVE

TEMPO Holidays/Bentours was holding more than \$14 million in "customer advances" at the time of its catastrophic collapse last month (*TD* 20 Sep), while independent suppliers are owed more than \$9.3 million, according to figures released by the company's administrators.

A new 100-page "Report on Company Activities and Property" released by Laurence Fitzgerald from accounting firm William Buck details the scale of the failure, and also confirms that staff are owed almost \$1.15 million in total, including \$340,000 in unpaid wages.

There appear to be almost 3,000 customers who have paid deposits to Tempo Holidays Pty Limited, from a huge array of travel agencies including more than 400 Flight Centre outlets and 150 Helloworld Travel stores.

Other agency brands impacted include Imagine Cruising, itravel, MTA, italktravel, TravelManagers, STA, Phil Hoffmann Travel and hundreds of independent agents.

The report details moneys owed to suppliers such as cruise, hotel and ground operators, with notable major creditors including Hurtigruten Cruises, Switzerland Travel Centre, Iceland Travel, Borealis Destination Management, CIE Tours, Lima Tours, Rabbie's Trail Burners and Tour2Greece.

A section of the report titled "overhead and other payables" highlights over \$300,000 owed to miscellaneous creditors including AA Appointments, TMS Talent and Travel Trade Recruitment.

On the receivables side, the company is owed almost \$45 million by related companies incl Cox & Kings Singapore, Cox & Kings Japan, Cox & Kings USA and India-based Cox & Kings Limited.

The administrator is expected to shortly release a formal "Second Report to Creditors" which will provide further details on the Tempo/Bentours collapse and recommend whether the company should be wound up.

VA flights on sale

VIRGIN Australia has today launched a "Don't wait 'til Boxing Day" sale offering savings of up to 30% on both domestic and international flights.

In addition, any clients booked from 14-21 Oct who are members of the Velocity Frequent Flyer program will go into a draw to win domestic flights for a year - details on the [cover page](#).

Today's issue of *TD*

Travel Daily today has eight pages of news, a front cover page for **Virgin Australia** plus full pages from:

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Viking Groups

VIKING Cruises has appointed Amy Swearingen to a new dedicated Groups Coordinator role, along with releasing a toolkit to help agents create a “seamless booking journey” for their clients.

Swearingen will manage all elements of group bookings, from initial enquiries and pricing right through to contracts and bookings, while also liaising between travel agents and the Viking marketing team.

Viking’s group policy includes free cabins and special discounts - more details in today’s issue of *Cruise Weekly*.

Tasmania’s fresh campaign

TOURISM Tasmania has launched a new campaign in a move to position the state “as the antidote to the stresses of modern life and shows potential visitors there are better ways of living – even if it’s just a holiday”.

Called Tasmania - Come Down For Air, the push debuted last night to audiences in Sydney, Melbourne and other key domestic marketplaces, with a synchronised launch of one of Tourism Tasmania’s new TV ads appearing at the same time on all commercial television stations.

The campaign will also appear in cinema, print, and cover social and digital advertisements.

It showcases destinations including Kempton, Ben Lomond, Stanley, Burnie and Hastings Caves, with the TV ads designed to “deliver a moment of calm to our audiences, providing a much-needed break to traditional forms of television and radio advertising,” Tourism Tasmania explained.

Tasmanian Premier and Tourism Minister Will Hodgman said the new campaign would “again set Tasmania apart from the pack”, emphasising that the state’s tourism industry “is stronger than ever before, employing around 42,800 Tasmanians – about 17% of our total employment.

“Tourism is one of Tasmania’s greatest competitive strengths, and to plan for future growth in this important sector it’s time to refresh our marketing brand”.

Game on, Globus

GLOBUS Family of Brands (GFOB) will hold a gameshow to find “Australia’s Travel Champion”, to be hosted by James Kerley at a studio in Sydney’s Entertainment Quarter on 13 Nov.

The night will kick off with a cocktail party, after which 10 teams of two will compete for a trophy and a night out for their whole agency.

The comp will conclude with 10 individual agents battling for the title and a luxurious river cruise for two with Avalon Waterways.

Enter now **HERE**.

AWA Lux Coll win

TRAVEL & lifestyle PR specialists Anne Wild & Associates (AWA) has secured the PR account for The Lux Collective.

The “incredibly exciting” win for AWA came after the departure of incumbent Australian PR rep Megan Staal from Alchemy PR, who is relocating to Singapore.

Country Manager and Operations Leader

Due to strong year of client growth, 1000 Mile Travel Group is looking to fill two new positions at our Melbourne-based Head Office: **Country Manager** and **Operations Leader**.

Country Manager: the primary focus of this new and exciting role is to provide strategy and leadership for 1000 Mile Travel Group Australia. A key responsibility will be to oversee direct reports for the 7 department heads of the business (finance, sales, account management, technology, marketing, operations and head of Travel Experts). The right candidate for this role will be someone who has already run a successful travel business and has delivered on growth and KPIs within the business. The ideal candidate will be able to work to deadlines and under pressure, multi-task across different departments, nurture a positive team environment and be an ambassador for our much-loved company culture.

Operations Leader: this role is a new opportunity at 1000 Mile. The primary focus of this position is to lead and support our highly experienced team of in-house Travel Experts (who have an average of 15+ years of experience each). This role is suited to an experienced leader in the travel industry who has 10+ years of proven success in transacting their own client portfolio in the corporate space. The right candidate will have a high level of attention to detail, the ability to multi-task and be a competent problem-solver. Tramada experience is preferred. There is remote working flexibility and benefits associated with this role.

For more information about these advertised positions please click here or email nicola.veltman@1000miletravel.com.au

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Travel Daily on location in Dubai, UAE

Today's issue of *Travel Daily* is coming to you courtesy of Helloworld's Global STARS event being held in Dubai.

AFTER wrapping up the formal activities, agents were treated to a relaxing day out at the Aquaventure Waterpark over the weekend.

Attendees shot down steep slides at fantastic speed, took leisurely swims at the park's man-made beach, and surfed in the wave pool.

The day was capped off with a farewell dinner and drinks at the Wavehouse bar.

Earlier in the piece, agents tackled Dubai's giant sand dunes on a Sundowner safari.

More from the Global STARS event on **pages five and seven**.

All rugged up with no place to go



COOL weather in Moscow this week is giving participants in Viking Cruises' VIP fam (see **p1**) plenty of excuse to break out the warm clothes - not to mention some stunning cosy headgear.

Representatives of key Viking trade partners are being hosted on the 12-day voyage which has so far seen them experience Red Square, the Kremlin, St Basil's Cathedral and the funky White

Rabbit Restaurant and Bar.

Somewhat chilly weather hasn't dampened the spirits of the participants who are enjoying the autumn leaves and relative lack of crowds at key highlights.

Pictured enjoying a Moscow by Night tour last night are Genevieve Thompson, Phil Hoffmann Travel; Keira Smith and Michelle Black, Viking Cruises; and Michael Londregan, Virtuoso.



Window Seat

UNITED Airlines has welcomed a one-of-a-kind California-themed Boeing 757 to its fleet.

Featuring livery that pays tribute to the Golden State, San Francisco artist Tsungwei Moo designed the look as part of the Her Art Here competition.

Pictured, the livery features quintessential California imagery such as sunglasses, palm trees and the Golden Gate Bridge.

Transforming the plane took 17 days, and took place in Amarillo, Texas.



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Boeing changes

BOEING'S Board of Directors has decided to separate the Chief Executive Officer and Chairman roles.

Dennis Muilenburg will continue on as CEO, President and Director, while Lead Director David Calhoun has been elected Non-Executive Chairman.

The move aims to free Muilenburg to focus full-time on running the company as it works to return the 737 MAX safely to the skies.

Dream rollercoaster

DREAM Cruises will debut the longest roller coaster at sea on board its new Global Class ship, *Global Dream*, which will launch in 2021.

Space Cruiser will have a 300m track and be the centrepiece of the Dream Park at the Pier theme park - promoted as the first amusement park at sea.

Cali plastics ban

CALIFORNIA Governor Gavin Newsom has signed into law a ban on single-use toiletry bottles in hotels from 2023.

Initially focusing on properties of 50 rooms or more, the ban will extend to all hotels in 2024, and sees a \$500 fine for each day a property is in violation.

A \$2,000 fine will incur for any subsequent violations.

California is the first US state to impose a ban, with assemblyman Ash Kalra, who sponsored the bill, explaining, "single-use products like those tiny plastic bottles commonly provided in hotel rooms represent a sizable amount of waste that can be easily eliminated through more cost-effective and environmentally friendly alternatives".

The law is supported by the California Hotel and Lodging Association, with the state also being the first to ban plastic bags, which it did in 2014.



There's more to Xi'an than the Terracotta Warriors. Read more in the September issue of *travelBulletin*.

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Myatt Cashes up with ACCI



AUSTRALIAN Travel Careers Council Chief Executive Officer Rick Myatt was one of few VIPs invited to attend an Australian Chamber of Commerce & Industry (ACCI) event on Fri.

Held at PwC's premises in Barangaroo, Sydney, Federal Minister for Employment, Skills,

Small and Family Business Michaelia Cash outlined the Government's plans to address skilled worker needs, investment in the vocational educational sector and its policies to support small and family businesses.

Pictured are Rick Myatt and Michaelia Cash.



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China airspace

CHINA has undertaken a large-scale airspace adjustment, including changes to more than 4,000 flight routes, as part of a new airspace operation network.

The adjustment follows the opening of Beijing's Daxing International Airport last month, and covers areas from the China-Mongolia border in the north to the controlled area in Guilin in the south and from the west of Inner Mongolia to the controlled area in Dalian in the east.

American reshuffles

AMERICAN Airlines has reshuffled its executive team in a move to deliver "world-class customer experience".

Announcing the changes, AA President Robert Isom told the airline's employees that it was important to make "culture a competitive advantage" and deliver a safe and reliable operation, adding the company had not been "consistently hitting the mark, and that's not fair to our team or our customers".

The refreshed team will see SVP of Loyalty and Marketing Kurt Stache replace the retiring SVP Customer Experience Kerry Philipovitch, with SVP of Intergrated Operations David Seymour taking on the SVP of Operations role.

SVP of Planning Vasu Raj will become SVP of Network Strategy, while SVP of Revenue Management Don Casey takes the SVP revenue role.

FAA failure on MAX

A JOINT Authorities Technical Review (JATR) commissioned by the US Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) has criticised the regulator's certification process following a review of the Boeing 737 MAX.

Conducted in the wake of the Lion Air and Ethiopian Airlines crashes, the JATR found the FAA used outdated procedures and was inappropriately staffed to assess how changes to the aircraft's anti-stall system would impact handling compared to older 737 designs.

BA UK CO2 offset

BRITISH Airways has announced it will become the first UK-based carrier to offset carbon emissions on all domestic flights from 2020.

The move is part of International Airlines Group's push for zero emissions by 2050.

Contiki additions

CONTIKI Holidays has launched new Gen-Z focused conscious travel experiences in its 2020/21 Australian product release.

The seven new additions include a Great Barrier Reef turtle hospital visit, breakfast with koalas on Magnetic Island and a dot-painting workshop hosted by indigenous artists at Uluru.

The experiences form part of a new range of cultural, local, active and wellness experiences for the Australia trips.

Aiming for the STARS in Dubai



HELLOWORLD'S wholesale division wrapped up an action-packed Global STARS event in Dubai over the weekend, rewarding top selling agents from across Australia and New Zealand with a host of tours and luxurious experiences in the UAE city.

The four-day reward saw 75 agents take on Dubai's giant sand dunes on a Sundowner Safari, enjoy the views from the lofty Burj Khalifa, as well as embark on a number of educational tours of the city by land and sea.

Helloworld General Manager Sales, Reporting & Pricing for Wholesale Steve Brady said Dubai was chosen to host the latest annual Global STARS celebration as it represented an opportunity to challenge the perception that Dubai is simply a stopover point for Aussie travellers.

"Dubai is a destination in itself but it's not seen that way by most Australians, people just tend to transit through so there is a great opportunity to give exposure to a region with a strong potential for growth," he told **Travel Daily**.

Discussing the importance of Global STARS to Helloworld's Wholesale Division, Brady said that outside of incentivising sales,

the event allowed agents to maintain important connections.

"Global STARS in a number of forms has been going for a long time...and there are many who have been in it almost since its inception and it's almost like a group of old friends that get together every year," he said.

"Obviously there's some new people that come in and out all the time but there is a core group from all over the country".

Further experiences included a visit to the giant waterpark at Atlantis, some shopping at the Dubai Mall, and a lavish gala awards night honouring the best of the best at the iconic sail-shaped Burj Al Arab.

Global STARS was sponsored by Emirates and Dubai Tourism.

Pictured: Steve Brady.

Uber to groceries

UBER has made a move into on-demand grocery delivery, with the platform to take a majority stake in Latin American online grocer Cornershop.

The deal is expected to close early next year and will see grocery delivery brought to millions of consumers on the Uber platform.

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Virgin, Boeing deal

BOEING will invest \$20 million in Virgin Galactic in exchange for shares in the company, under a new partnership which aims to “transform global travel technologies”.

“Our work with Virgin Galactic and other will help unlock the future of space travel and high-speed mobility,” said Brian Schettler, Senior MD of Boeing HorizonX Ventures.

The deal is expected to close in the fourth quarter of 2019.

Empire renovations

THE Empire State Building has reopened its 102nd floor to the public, which now offers 360 degree views of NYC through floor-to-ceiling glass panels after undergoing renovations since Jan.

The works form part of a US\$165m rework of the Observatory Experience to “completely reimagine the consumer experience” (**TD** 03 Jun) and follows the recent unveiling of the second floor interactive museum (**TD** 31 Jul).

KEMPINSKI Hotels and investment and hotel management company 12.18. Group have partnered to launch luxury lifestyle hotel brand 7Pines Kempinski.

The new concept brings together Kempinski Hotels, as Europe’s oldest luxury hotel group, with 12.18. Group, which opened its flagship property last year, the 7Pines Resort in Ibiza.

The move has seen a Dusseldorf-based company, 7Pines Hotel Management GmbH founded, with 12.18. outlining plans to grow by 20 new 7Pines Kempinski Hotels & Resorts by

2022 and place 500 million euros in investment capital.

12.18. has recently expanded its portfolio outside Europe with the acquisition of the San Carlos Hotel in New York City, which will operate as the 7Pines Kempinski Manhattan.

Pictured: Carsten Rath, Chairman of the Supervisory Board of 12.18.; Martin Smura, CEO & Chairman of the Management Board of Kempinski Hotels; Tim Raue, founder and CEO of Restaurant Tim Raue; Kai Richter & Jorg Lindner Managing Partners of 12.18; and MD of 7Pines Hotel, Markus Luck.



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- Ability to handle a large workload
- Proven ability to meet budget and KPI targets
- Degree or diploma qualified to deliver the role

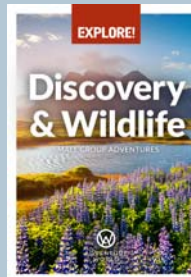
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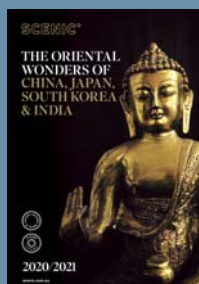
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Explore - Discovery & Wildlife 2020

The new Explore Discovery & Wildlife program for 2020 features four new itineraries to El Salvador, Lebanon, Iceland, and the five Stans of the Silk Road, which combines the highlights of Kyrgyzstan, Kazakhstan, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan and Turkmenistan. The 22-day Five Stans trip starts from \$7,720pp, which includes accommodation, some meals, and an Explore leader. Highlights include a walk through the well-preserved UNESCO city of Khiva, known as an “open-air museum”, and a trip to the desert outpost of Nukus.



Scenic Luxury Cruises & Tours - Asia 2021/22

Scenic has unveiled its Oriental Wonders of China, Japan, South Korea and India 2020/2021 brochure, featuring the new 10-day Soul of South Korea. The Seoul to Seoul itinerary starts from \$9,190pp and will guide travellers through a number of South Korean cities rich in history, culture and natural beauty. The brochure also reveals exclusive new Scenic Enrich experiences in Japan and China, including an amazing Panda Experience in Chengdu, China, where travellers help staff prepare food and care for rare Giant panda cubs at the Dujiangyan Panda Ark.

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Applications close Friday 18 October.

STARS head to Hayman in 2020



HELLOWORLD capped off a glitzy gala awards night for its Global STARS by revealing the next instalment of its annual wholesale reward event will be held on Hayman Island.

The popular tropical destination off Queensland's coast will follow on from this year's celebration, which was held in Dubai over the weekend, and according to Helloworld's General Manager Sales, Reporting and Pricing Steve Brady, will present agents with an opportunity to enjoy one of Australia's most luxurious destinations.

"Taking our 2020 Global STARS to such an exquisite and breathtakingly luxurious location right in our own backyard is going to be terrific," he said.

"The newly opened

Intercontinental is such a drawcard and it offers unparalleled levels of luxury for our Global STARS," Brady added.

To qualify for the 2020 event, agents must bring in the most departed sales between 01 Jul and 30 Jun 2020 on Helloworld's range of non-cruise wholesale brands.

There will also be a special "bonus prize" for the agent who lodges the most sales to Hayman Island itself over the period.

The announcement was made at the end of the awards night on Sat, with the best of the best honoured with prizes including a number of international holidays.

Pictured: Winners are grinners - agents pose after their big wins.

Sanctuary refurb

SANCTUARY Retreats' *Sanctuary Nile Adventurer* has returned to its namesake river after a refurbishment.

The 32-cabin vessel's new design has been influenced by contemporary Egypt and the country's 7,000 years of heritage.

The cabins have a new look, while the restaurant has undergone a complete transformation and the lounge refreshed - [CLICK HERE](#) for more.

Sabre, Aeromexico

SABRE Corporation has announced the extension of its long-term relationship with Aeromexico.

Under the deal, the Mexican carrier will continue to use Sabre's passenger service system and expand its use of the Sabre Commercial Platform.

Aeromexico will also enhance its use of the technology company's global distribution system.

Cunard countdown

CUNARD marked the start of construction of its 249th ship on Fri with a steel cutting ceremony at Fincantieri's Castellammare di Stabia shipyard.

The ship, which has yet to be named, is due to be delivered in Monfalcone, Gorizia, Italy in 2022.

Bookings are set to commence next year.

Hard Rock collapse

TWO people have been killed and more than 20 injured after an under-construction Hard Rock Hotel collapsed in the heart of New Orleans' French Quarter over the weekend.

Authorities have reported another person is unaccounted for.

Hard Rock International has extended its sympathies to the families and friends of the victims, while noting it was not involved in the construction.

Galactic appoints

WANDA Austin, Craig Kreeger & George Mattson have joined the Board of Directors at Virgin Galactic (VGH), a result of the pending business combination transaction between Social Capital Hedosophia Holdings Corp. (SCH) & VGH.

The board will be made up of eight members with expertise across technology, aviation, space, int'l markets, operational and financial management.

Sleeping pods grow

THE market for airport sleeping pods is expected to reach over US\$52.3 million by 2025, according to a report released by ResearchAndMarkets.com.

The single-occupancy sleeping pod segment is found to have a growth potential of over 5.8% and is forecast to reach US\$52.3m by 2025, providing a substantial boost to global growth of the airport sleeping pod market.

For more, **CLICK HERE**.

Norfolk's night at the Museum



NORFOLK Island Tourism held an event at the Museum of Sydney on Wed, bringing together almost 40 travel agents, as well as Norfolk Island tourism representatives, Paradise Resort and Baunti Escapes.

Also present were wholesalers Oxley Travel, Norfolk Select and Air New Zealand, with networking sessions taking place with local industry partners.

Special guests, television presenters Ray Martin and James

Tobin, were also present, both of whom have presented weather reports from Norfolk Island.

Pictured are Tobin and Planet Dwellers Managing Director and co-founder Mario Paez.

Excite Greek office

EXCITE Holidays has officially launched its Greek sales office in Athens, opening up its B2B booking platform and inventory to Greek travel agents.

The opening was celebrated at Mavili Beach Hotel, where local agents and partners were briefed on Excite's plans to expand its global presence.

NT Gardens centre

THE new \$9.9m George Brown Darwin Botanic Gardens Visitor & Event Centre is now open.

The centre is part of the State Gov't's Turbocharging Tourism plan to attract visitors, create jobs and boost the economy.

UAE, UNESCO deal

THE United Arab Emirates (UAE) will be the first country to reconstruct Christian churches in Iraq, under a new agreement signed with UNESCO.

The deal is an extension of a deal inked in Apr 2018 and includes the restoration of two destroyed cultural sites, Al-Tahera and the Al-Saa'a Churches.

B&R wellness

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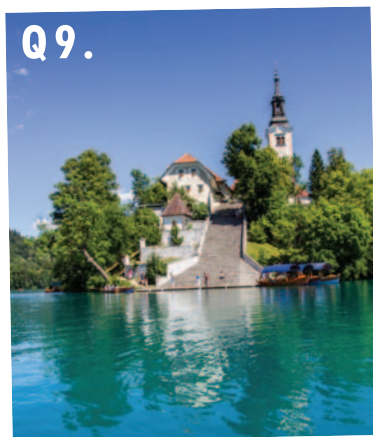
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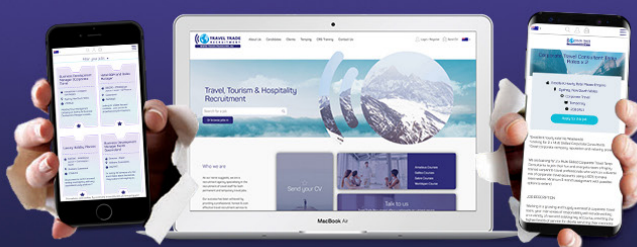
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