France honours an Accor legend

THE French Government has recognised the exemplary personal contribution of Michael Issenberg, previous Chairman and CEO of Accor Hotels Asia Pacific, for growing France's accommodation industry in the Asia Pacific over more than two decades. For his efforts he was awarded one of France's highest civilian honours, The National Order of the Legion of Honour.

Over 50 guests including leaders in the French community and media personalities gathered at an intimate cocktail party at the stunning Club Millesime in Sofitel Darling Harbour.

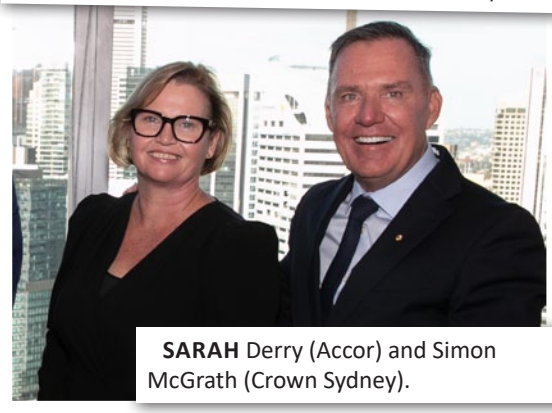
In partnership with Atout France and their Director Patrick Benhamou, Michael and his team have been responsible for bringing out many legendary icons of French tourism, such as the Moulin Rouge, Alain Ducasse, the Directors of the Tour de France and the Eiffel Tower.

MICHAEL Issenberg and H.E. Mr Jean-Pierre Thebault, Ambassador of France.

GREG Brady (Sofitel Darling Harbour), Graham Wilson (Special Advisor to Accor) and Clive Scott (Sofitel Melbourne on Collins).

THE Hon. Natalie Ward MLC (NSW Parliament Minister) and Patrick Benhamou (Atout France).

PHILLIPA Harrison (Tourism Australia) and Cinzia Burnes (Helloworld).



SARAH Derry (Accor) and Simon McGrath (Crown Sydney).

ALEXANDRE de Lacharriere (Baccarat), Bernard Le Boursicot and Guillaume Brahimi.