

Global Hospitality & Leisure Update

Mayer Brown's Global Hospitality and Leisure Group – A Year in Review

Last year was a year of integration between Mayer Brown and JSM following the combination of the two firms in January 2008. For the legacy hospitality and leisure groups, that meant a year of exciting interaction between our 21 offices to create a genuinely global hospitality and leisure group.

The process of integration has also been hugely rewarding as our offices have worked hard to share knowledge, market intelligence and deal experience. This global strength can be seen in our being appointed in 2008 to Jumeirah's worldwide panel.

The global group has also been busy with exciting work. Despite the difficult trading conditions in 2008, the group has increased its already significant volume of hotel related work across the Americas, Asia Pacific and EMEA, acting on approximately 150 hospitality and leisure related matters, including sales, purchases, financing, development, management agreements (including the preparation of template agreements), litigation, arbitration and fractional ownership. We even drafted passenger and sales contracts for a luxury train!

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