

# news release

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## **MANDARIN ORIENTAL HOTEL GROUP ANNOUNCES GENERAL MANAGER APPOINTMENTS IN THE AMERICAS**

**Hong Kong, 20 April 2016** – [Mandarin Oriental Hotel Group](#) has announced the appointments of Cliff Atkinson as General Manager of Mandarin Oriental, Miami and Donald Bowman as General Manager of Mandarin Oriental, Las Vegas. Both appointments are effective from 9 May 2016.

Cliff Atkinson joins [Mandarin Oriental, Miami](#) from the Group's property in Las Vegas where he was General Manager since September 2012. During his tenure, Mandarin Oriental, Las Vegas was the only property in the city to attain the Forbes Triple Five-Star award. A veteran hotelier with 25 years of experience, Mr Atkinson first joined Mandarin Oriental in 1998 as Director of Revenue Management at the former Mandarin Oriental, San Francisco and was later promoted to Corporate Director of Revenue Management. In 2003, he was part of the opening team at [Mandarin Oriental, New York](#) as Executive Assistant Manager. As General Manager of the Group's property in San Francisco, he oversaw the hotel's successful renovation in May 2012. Mr Atkinson also held roles as General Manager at Ian Schrager's Gramercy Park Hotel in New York and Ralph Burnet's Chambers Hotel in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Donald Bowman has succeeded Cliff Atkinson as General Manager of [Mandarin Oriental, Las Vegas](#). With 30 years of luxury hospitality experience, Mr Bowman rejoins Mandarin Oriental from the Las Vegas consulting firm, Beyond Hospitality. Donald joined Mandarin Oriental in 1997 and has held a variety of hotel management positions within the Group. He was instrumental in the successful launch and positioning of Mandarin Oriental, Las Vegas as Hotel Manager from 2008 to 2011. He left the Group in 2011 to take up the role of General Manager opening Ian Schrager's hotel, PUBLIC Chicago, and later as General Manager of Carmel Valley Ranch in Carmel, California. In 2012, Mr Bowman rejoined the Group as General Manager of Mandarin Oriental, San Francisco where he positioned the hotel as one of the most iconic luxury properties in the region which earned the Forbes Double Five-Star award for the first time in 2014.

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“Both Cliff and Donald bring a wealth of experience as well as in-depth knowledge of the brand, which will no doubt ensure their continued success,” said Jan D Goessing, Executive Vice President, Operations Director – The Americas.

### **About Mandarin Oriental Hotel Group**

Mandarin Oriental Hotel Group is the award-winning owner and operator of some of the world’s most luxurious hotels, resorts and residences. Having grown from its Asian roots into a global brand, the Group now operates 29 hotels and seven residences in 19 countries and territories, with each property reflecting the Group’s oriental heritage and unique sense of place. Mandarin Oriental has a strong pipeline of hotels and residences under development, with the next hotel openings planned in Doha and Beijing.

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