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## **GÉRARD SINTÈS APPOINTED GENERAL MANAGER OF MANDARIN ORIENTAL HYDE PARK, LONDON**

**Hong Kong, 2 December 2014** – [Mandarin Oriental Hotel Group](#) has announced the appointment of Gérard Sintès as General Manager of [Mandarin Oriental Hyde Park, London](#), effective 9 December, 2014.

Mr Sintès joins the London property from [Mandarin Oriental, Barcelona](#) where he held the position of General Manager for four years and firmly established the award-winning property as one of the best hotels in the city. During his tenure, the hotel has achieved numerous awards and accolades, including two Michelin stars for restaurant Moments, and most recently, ‘Best National Urban Hotel’ in *Conde Nast Traveler, US 2014*. Earlier this year, the hotel introduced 17 new suites designed by award winning designer Patricia Urquiola, to great acclaim and in November this year, launched BistrEau by renowned Spanish Chef Ángel León.

Prior to joining Mandarin Oriental, Mr Sintès held senior management positions with a number of luxury properties, including General Manager of the One&Only resort in Cape Town and the One&Only Le Saint Géran Hotel, Spa & Golf Club in Mauritius. He has also been General Manager of the Shangri-La in Jakarta and Managing Director of the Shangri-La in Bangkok, a position he combined with the regional management of the Shangri-La group for the Thailand and Myanmar area.

Of French nationality, Gérard Sintès has a broad knowledge of the international hotel sector and has spent an extensive part of his professional career in both Asia and Europe.

Commenting on the appointment, Christoph Mares, Executive Vice President, Director of Operations – Europe, Middle East, Africa & India said. “Gérard has an unrivalled record for

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delivering superb service, and for focusing on excellence in all aspects of hotel operations, On behalf of the Group, I am delighted to welcome him to his new role, and wish him continued success.”

A replacement for Mr Sintès at Mandarin Oriental, Barcelona will be announced in due course.

### **About Mandarin Oriental Hyde Park, London**

With bustling Knightsbridge on its doorstep and leafy Hyde Park at its rear, Mandarin Oriental Hyde Park is London’s most prestigious address. Blending sumptuous guestrooms with a world-leading spa and a stylish bar, it is the definitive destination for a luxury escape. And with two award-winning restaurants including Bar Boulud, London and Dinner by Heston Blumenthal, the first London restaurant for one of the UK’s most renowned chefs, Mandarin Oriental Hyde Park stands at the culinary centre of the capital.

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

Mandarin Oriental Hotel Group is the award-winning owner and operator of some of the most luxurious hotels, resorts and residences. Having grown from a well-respected Asian hotel company into a global brand, the Group now operates, or has under development, 45 hotels representing close to 11,000 rooms in 25 countries, with 20 hotels in Asia, ten in The Americas and 15 in Europe, Middle East and North Africa. In addition, the Group operates or has under development, 14 Residences at Mandarin Oriental connected to its properties.

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