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Press Release



## **NOW ACCEPTING NOMINATIONS FOR IHIF 2010 YOUNG LEADER AWARD**

**BERLIN, Germany:** The International Hotel Investment Forum (IHIF), in conjunction with the International Society of Hospitality Consultants (ISHC), is proud to announce it is now accepting nominations for the second annual IHIF Young Leader Award, which is given each year to a young and emerging leader in the hospitality industry.

The IHIF Young Leader Award winner is celebrated at the IHIF Conference held at the InterContinental Hotel Berlin during the plenary session on Wednesday, 10 March 2010 and receives a cash prize of 1,000 euros. Last year's IHIF Young Leader Award winner was Leslie McGibbon, Senior Vice President of Corporate Affairs, IHG.

"Following the success of last year's Young Leader Award, we are delighted to again reward another deserving young leader in the industry," said Jonathan Worsley, Chairman of Bench Events, co-organisers of IHIF. "It's extremely important to look for the rising stars in the industry to acknowledge their contributions and encourage them to even greater achievements."

"We are very pleased to collaborate with IHIF in sponsoring this special award and look forward to recognizing the 2010 IHIF Young Leader award winner next year", said Lori Raleigh, Executive Director ISHC. "We want to raise awareness of those in the industry at the beginning of their career and identify their accomplishments early on. We can then all be inspired by their achievements."

To be eligible for nomination, entrants for the IHIF Young Leader Award must be under 35 years of age, currently work in a hospitality-related field, have completed a significant project for his or her hotel or organization, be recognized by leaders of his or her own hotel or organization as an emerging leader and be based in a European country.

**Nominations are being accepted until February 1 at the IHIF website.**

[Click here](#) to download an entry form today.

For information and details on registering for the IHIF conference to be held 8-10 March in Berlin, visit the [IHIF website](#).

### **About the Organisers:**

Questex's HotelWorld Network encompasses a series of publications and live events that provide news and networking to the largest group of hospitality professionals in the industry. HotelWorld Network delivers hotel industry news through its print publications Hotel & Motel Management and Hotel Design magazines in addition to its innovative breaking-news portal [www.hotelworldnetwork.com](http://www.hotelworldnetwork.com). Questex's HotelWorld Network also offers cutting-edge educational content and valuable networking opportunities via its [International Hotel Investment Forum \(IHIF\) Berlin](#), [IHIF Asia Pacific](#), [Russia & CIS Hotel Investment Conference](#), [HotelWorld F&B](#), [Distressed Hotels Summit](#), and [HOTEC Design and HOTEC Operations](#) portfolio of events.

Bench Events: As organisers of top conferences for the hotel and investment industry, Bench Events is a growing entity which currently hosts hotel investment conferences in Berlin, Dubai and Moscow in partnership with other leading providers. Jonathan Worsley, Chairman of Bench Events, is one of the organisers and founders of the International Hotel Investment Forum (IHIF) held each year in Berlin. In 2005, he was responsible for launching the successful Arabian Hotel Investment Conference (AHIC) in Dubai and in October 2008, the Russia & CIS Hotel Investment Conference (RHIC) in Moscow alongside Questex Media. Worsley is also Chairman of Bench Event's sister company, JW Bench, a benchmarking company that has successfully launched the Conference Bench and the Productivity Bench. Worsley sits as an advisor to the World Travel & Tourism Council which represents many of the leading companies operating worldwide in the travel and tourism industry. He is also a shareholder and board director of STR Global which is the new entity for global benchmarking outside North America following the merger of The Bench, Smith Travel Research and Deloitte's Hotel Benchmark.  
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