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### **SATURDAY | JUNE 30 EVENT**

FROM **Novotel** Your on-site registration documents will be 10:00 and The Aloft available at your hotel reception desk, along with other conference materials.

For those not staying at the Novotel or Aloft: please collect vour registration documents at the Novotel reception desk.

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TIME LOCATION

**Pre-Conference Welcome Reception** Get into conference mode at an informal get-together with colleagues.

With views towards Canary Wharf, the O2 and the Emirates Air Line Cable car, our welcome reception will be held on the Upper Deck Bar and Terrace at the Novotel, located at the heart of London's Royal Docks area.

Casual dress: drinks and cocktail snacks will be provided.

Evening drinks at the Novotel London ExCeL

### SUNDAY | JULY 1

 Novotel and The Aloft	Your on-site registration documents will be available at your hotel reception desk, along
	with other conference materials.

### 15:45 XYZ Bar

14:30- The Aloft Hotel First Time Attendees and New Members Welcome and Orientation

Meet the AIPC Board of Directors and management team; get a guick orientation to AIPC and find out how to make the most of your Conference experience.

### 16:00 Depart Aloft

Official Welcome Reception and Dinner: 16:15 Depart Novotel See London Differently!

Guests walk from The Aloft Hotel (10 minutes) or Novotel Hotel (3 minutes) to the Emirates Air Line Cable Car station at the west end of the ExCeL campus, and gain access to the cable cars by showing their AIPC conference badge.

### Dress code: smart casual

16:30 Emirates Air Line Cable Car

Crossing the Thames on the Emirates Air Line Cable Car, we start our reception with a unique perspective on London from nearly 90ft in the air and including Canary Wharf, the Olympic Park and the Royal Greenwich observatory.

### **17:00 Board the Silver Sturgeon** (for departure at 17:15)

We'll then join the Silver Sturgeon, a 21st century contemporary 'River Yacht' experiencing a stunning private evening charter along the Thames with London's iconic riverscape, from the Houses of Parliament to the London Eye while enjoying delicious food and drink en route.

Embarkation location: North Greenwich Pier

Any delegates not taking the cable car will need to take the DLR to Canning Town and then the Jubilee line one stop to North Greenwich. The pier is a five-minute walk from the tube station.

Arrival at Canary Return to the hotels by bus 20:15 Wharf Pier

Evening drinks at the Novotel

#### MONDAY | JULY 2 **MONDAY | JULY 2**

Official Opening

**EVENT** 

FROM <b>08:00</b>	ExCeL London Platinum Suite, Level 2	Registration Welcome coffee and breakfast pastries
15:00	ExCeL host via Docklands Light Railway (DLR) Return to the Novotel via DLR	<b>Discover the Tower of London:</b> one of London's most iconic historical attractions and experience a Yeoman Warder and the Crown Jewels.
10:00	Depart the Novotel with an	

AIPC Annual Conference Welcome address: Jeremy Rees | Acting CEO, ExCeL London

AIPC 2018 Opening address: Aloysius Arlando | AIPC President and CEO, Singapore EXPO Convention and Exhibition Centre

09:15 Platinum Suite, Level 3

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TIME LOCATION

Centre Business and a World in Transition: What Current Trade and Geopolitical Turmoil Mean for Key Business Sectors

Keynote Speaker: Dr Razeen Sally | Co-Director of the European Centre for International Political Economy: Associate Professor at the Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy at the National University of Singapore

An ongoing discussion about evolving global conditions, including trade and political issues with relevance to the Meetings Industry generally and centres in particular.

10:30 Platinum Suite, Level 2 Coffee break

11:00 Platinum Suite, Level 3

A Regional Perspective on Industry Implications

Moderator: Dr. Razeen Sally

Panellists:

Peter King | Chief Executive, Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre Greg O'Dell | President and CEO, Walter E. Washington Convention Center Joachim König | Executive Director, Hannover Congress Centrum

A global panel of AIPC members raise regional geo-political perspectives and business concerns.

11:45 Platinum Suite, Level 3

Responding to the Challenge: **How a Solid Destination** Partnership is Helping London Weather the Brexit Storm

### Kevin Murphy OBE | Chairman at ExCeL London

In the face of potentially dramatic trade realignments / disruptions, key London partnerships are helping the venue industry respond to the challenges that have been created and stabilize ongoing business growth prospects. Here's what's been done – and lessons this experience provides for centres facing similar geopolitical impacts shaping up elsewhere.

and E16 Café From Disruption to Evolution: 14:00 Platinum Suite, Level 3 a Consumer-centric Approach to Rethinking of the Delegate

TIME LOCATION

12:30 River Cottage Deli

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Lunch

Julia Cyboran | VP Marketing & Communications, C2 Peter King | Chief Executive, Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre

Experience

With increasing demands from organizers and delegates for new and innovative event experiences, here are some of the new approaches being taken to changing the way participants can engage in and enjoy events, and what this may mean for convention centre facilities, services and thinking.

Performance and Perspectives in an Industry Context

15:00 Platinum Suite, Level 3 2018 AIPC Survey: Centre

Michael Hughes | Managing Director of Research & Consulting, Red7Media

The 12th in the series of comprehensive industry performance / outlook surveys of AIPC members will both deliver another step in the trend analysis and add more quantitative measures to compare with other industry sectors, along with special sections in new topic areas.

16:00 Platinum Suite, Level 2 Coffee break

16:30- Platinum Suite, Level 3 Private vs. Public Management — Where's the Balance?

Moderator: Lyle Hall | Managing Director, Hall Hospitality Advisors

Panelists:

Panittha Buri | Managing Director, Bhiraj Convention Centre, Bangkok Marc Rodríguez | General Manager, CCIB Barcelona

Raymond Larivée | President and CEO, Palais des congrès de Montréal Michael Hughes | Managing Director of Research & Consulting, Red7Media

Both public and private management models are in active use around the world. What has experience taught us about their relative benefits and shortcomings? How are decisions being made as to which approach is most appropriate, and what might the future look like?

#### **Evening at Leisure**

**Explore London with Colleagues and AIPC Business Partners** Evening drinks at the Novotel

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TUESDAY | JULY 3 TUESDAY | JULY 3 WEDNESDAY | JULY 4 AIPC BUSINESS PARTNERS

# 10:00 Departure from the Novotel with ExCel. host and A walking tour starting a

Accompanying partners: **London Walking Tour** A walking tour starting at Buckingham Palace includes 'secrets and sights' around Pall Mall, Green Park and St James and finishes at Bond Street for some shopping.

**15:00** Return to the Novotel via Jubilee line

travel via Jubilee

line to Green Park

FROM ExCeL London Welcome coffee & breakfast pastries **08:00** Platinum Suite, Level 2

**09:00** ExCeL London Securing and Retaining Talent Platinum Suite, Level 3 in a Global Competition

### Keynote Speaker: Avinash Chandarana

Group Learning and Development Director, MCI Group

As the labour market tightens and competition for talent intensifies, centres need to consider what it takes to prevail in a time when potential employees at all levels have many options as well as different expectations and attitudes.

10:00 Platinum Suite, Level 3 Specialized Recruitment and Training for an Industry in Transition

Moderator: Avinash Chandara

Panellists:

Samantha Glass | Director of Corporate Affairs and Communication, ICC Sydney

Olga Figuerola | Corporate HR Director, Selenta Group Eric Van Piggelen | CEO, Borneo Convention Centre Kuching

Given the growing urgencies and challenges in many areas for the recruitment and retention of the best talent, what are centre managers already doing and / or planning to enhance their work forces — and what success have these initiatives had?

11:00 Platinum Suite, Level 2 Coffee break

### 11:30 Platinum Suite, Level 3 Exhibitions: Consolidation, Convergence and Specialization

Kai Hattendorf | Managing Director / CEO at UFI Douglas Emslie | Group Managing Director, Tarsus

As exhibitions are evolving their business models and formats, venues need to respond to changing demands around centre design, technology and services. UFI shares latest data on venue trends around the world, and has a leading organiser share how he believes venues should evolve.

TIME LOCATION EVENT

12:30 Waterfront Restaurant at CentrEd Lunch hosted by IMEX

14:00 Platinum Suite, Level 3 Hotels Trends and Implications for Centre Business

### Thomas Emanuel | Director of Business Development at STR

As both essential partners and oft-time-competitors, the global trends affecting hotel management and investment have big implications for convention centres. Now as we appear to be at the peak of the economic cycle, issues of hotel partnership, pricing and availability are again becoming a matter of more urgent priority.

### **14:50** Platinum Suite, Level 3 Working in the Hotel Interface

Moderator: Lyle Hall | Managing Director, Hall Hospitality Advisors Panelists:

Thomas Emanuel | Director of Business Development at STR Allan Linneberg-Agerholm | CEO, Bella Center Copenhagen Nina Kressler | President & CEO, Shaw Centre, Ottawa

As hotels prospects and priorities change, centres are increasingly facing new factors in managing the critical accommodation factor in their respective destinations. What are the big issues, and how are these being addressed?

15:45 Platinum Suite, Level 2 Coffee Break

16:15- Platinum Suite, Level 3 AIPC Apex Award 2018 and the 17:15 AIPC Client Satisfaction Survey Program: a New Synergy

### Michael Rodenburgh | Executive Vice President, Ipsos

A new chapter in the most rigorous and best-documented industry award and how it ties into a new and cost-effective way to access a high-quality survey tool to adopt for your centre.

## 18:30 Departure by bus from the Novotel and Aloft

Drinks Reception and AIPC Award Dinner

The AIPC Award Dinner is a traditional high point of the Annual Conference where we will announce the winner of the **2018 AIPC Apex Award**. It will take place at the Queen Elizabeth II Centre in the heart of Westminster adjacent to Big Ben and the Houses of Parliament, and directly opposite Westminster Abbey — a location steeped in history. Here we will enjoy a dinner combining fresh, sustainable and seasonal ingredients, courtesy of QEII Taste.

Dress code: business suit and lounge dress

22:30 Return to the hotels by bus Evening drinks at the Novotel

TIME LOCATION

FROM ExCeL London Welcome coffee and breakfast pastries **08:00** Platinum Suite, Level 2

**EVENT** 

09:00 ExCeL London Business Strategies for Platinum Suite, Level 3 Challenging Times

### **Keynote Speaker: Roger Martin-Fagg** | Director, Martin-Fagg Associates

A business process expert provides guidance for how centres can chart a course for business planning appropriate to the complexities of a more challenging operating and market environment.

10:00 Platinum Suite, Level 3 AIPC Global Benchmarking Initiative: The Year 2 Analysis

### Matthew Klas | Director, HLT Advisory Inc.

With solid initial participation, this new AIPC program initiative will be delivering the second round of in-depth centre operating data with an overview of study conclusions and an explanation of what ongoing study participants can expect in terms of ongoing insights and analysis.

10:30 Platinum Suite, Level 2 Coffee break

### 11:00 Platinum Suite, Level 3 AIPC 60th General Assembly

Alovsius Arlando | President AIPC

AIPC's business session will feature a full program update as well as all the important elements of the General Assembly and insights into our next conference destinations.

- President's Management Report
- AIPC Program Update
- Financial Report
- Presentation of New Members
- Board Elections
- Presentation of Strategic Business Plan 2018-2019
- Program Budget and Membership Fee 2019
- AIPC Conference 2019: Presentation Flanders Meeting
- & Convention Center Antwerp
- AIPC Conference 2020: Invitation

**12:45** ExCeL London Platinum Suite, Level 2

Closing lunch hosted by
Flanders Meeting & Convention
Center Antwerp

14:15 ExCeL London site visit

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