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# N E W S RELEASE

# Frasers Centrepoint Group expands footprint in Australia



Sofitel Sydney Wentworth

**Singapore, 12 May 2014:-** Frasers Centrepoint Limited ("FCL") has added the iconic Sofitel Sydney Wentworth, the city's first international hotel and one of the most recognised five-star hotels in Australia, to its portfolio of assets, thus expanding its footprint. The Sofitel Sydney

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Wentworth has been bought for AUD202.7 million by Frasers Hospitality Investments Melbourne Pte Ltd, a wholly owned subsidiary of FCL.

It is FCL's fifth hospitality asset in Australia since it started operating in Australia in 2008. "This hotel will come under our asset management division together with the other hospitality assets that we own in Sydney, Perth, Melbourne and Brisbane," said Mr Choe Peng Sum, CEO, Frasers Hospitality.

Sofitel Sydney Wentworth enjoys occupancy above 85%, thanks to a robust Australian hospitality market as well as the hotel's blue-ribbon location in the "core precinct" of Sydney's central business district, and great heritage. It was also recently refurbished. "We are looking forward to working with the asset management division of Frasers Hospitality. Frasers Hospitality has, over the last 16 years, established itself as an experienced manager of hospitality assets globally," says Mr Michael Issenberg, Chairman and CEO, Accor Asia Pacific.

It will continue to be run by Accor Asia Pacific under the Sofitel brand. "We bought this asset because it fits FCL's investment criteria perfectly. We look for properties in the central business district of key gateway cities that are iconic and we are still bullish on Australia," said Mr Choe.

In its *Tourism and Hotel Market Outlook* QI 2014, consulting and financial advisory firm Deloitte forecasts that average room rates throughout Australia will grow at 3.4% per year over the next three years. RevPAR, or revenues per available room, are projected to grow 4.5% in the same period. Sydney's prospects are even brighter. "Sydney's occupancy – already the nation's highest – is likely to push further into record territory, increasing to 88.8% by year end December 2016," says the report.

Sofitel Sydney Wentworth is surrounded by premium-quality commercial office buildings with the highest-profile domestic and international tenants from the finance, legal and government sectors. It is also within walking distance to other Sydney landmarks such as the Opera House,

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Sydney Harbour Bridge, The Rocks, Hyde Park, Pitt Street Mall and Darling Harbour. "Of all our assets in Australia, this is the jewel in the crown," said Mr Choe.

Mr Craig Collins, CEO Australasia, JLL Hotels & Hospitality Group, who managed the purchase process, said: "A five-star Sydney hotel is an excellent addition to an international portfolio for FCL."

Frasers Hospitality started with two properties with 400 rooms in 1998. By March 2014, this had burgeoned to 92 properties with 15,500 rooms, a compound annual growth rate of 22%. Mr Choe says Frasers Hospitality is on track to double its inventory to 30,000 rooms over the next five years.

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## About Frasers Hospitality

Frasers Hospitality, the hospitality arm of Frasers Centrepoint Limited, is a global serviced residence operator with Gold-Standard residences across Europe, North Asia, Southeast Asia, Middle East and Australia.

Frasers Hospitality commits to "meeting the unique needs of executive travellers through continuous innovation", and providing its customers with the space, family and community away from home. Conceived with the lifestyle preferences of today's discerning extended stay executive travellers in mind, Frasers Hospitality has three branded serviced residences offerings – Fraser Suites, Fraser Place and Fraser Residence, a second brand, Modena, and Capri by Fraser. For more information on Frasers Hospitality, please visit <u>www.frasershospitality.com</u>

# About Frasers Centrepoint Limited

Frasers Centrepoint Limited ("FCL") is a full-fledged international real estate company and one of Singapore's top property companies with total assets of approximately S\$11.4 billion as at 31 March 2014. FCL has three core businesses focused on residential, commercial and hospitality properties spanning over 30 cities across Asia, Australasia, Europe, and the Middle-East.

FCL is listed on the Main Board of the SGX-ST. The Company is also the sponsor of two real estate investment trusts listed on the Main Board of the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited ("SGX-ST"), Frasers Centrepoint Trust and Frasers Commercial Trust, which are focused on retail, and office and business space properties, respectively.

As a testament to its excellent service standards, best practices, and support of the environment, FCL is the proud recipient of numerous awards and accolades both locally and abroad.

For more information on FCL, please visit <u>www.fraserscentrepoint.com</u>.

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#### Awards & Accolades

#### 2014

Middle East's Leading Serviced Apartment Brand 2013 & 2014 by World Travel Award Frasers Hospitality Pte Ltd

Bahrain's Leading Serviced Apartments 2013 & 2014 by World Travel Award Fraser Suites Bahrain

Qatar's Leading Serviced Apartments 2013 & 2014 by World Travel Award Fraser Suites Doha

Dubai's Leading Serviced Apartments 2013 & 2014 by World Travel Award Fraser Suites Dubai

Serviced Apartments Special Commendation Award by Scottish Hotel Awards Fraser Suites Edinburgh

Serviced Apartments Hospitality Award 2014 by Scottish Hotel Awards Fraser Suites Glasgow

Serviced Apartments of the year 2014 by Scottish Hotel Awards Fraser Suites Glasgow

CHIC International Hospitality Excellence Award by China Hotel Investment Conference Frasers Hospitality Pte Ltd

> The Best Serviced Apartment of 2013 by Booking.com Fraser Suites Suzhou

Best Serviced Apartments Brand of China by 9<sup>th</sup> China Hotel Starlight Awards Frasers Hospitality Pte Ltd

Best Luxurious Serviced Apartment of China by 9<sup>th</sup> China Hotel Starlight Awards Fraser Suites Chengdu

Best Newly Open Serviced Apartment of China by 9<sup>th</sup> China Hotel Starlight Awards Fraser Suites Guangzhou

> Best Serviced Apartment of China by 9<sup>th</sup> China Hotel Starlight Awards Fraser Suites Top Glory Shanghai

Best Designed Boutique Hotel Residence of China by 9<sup>th</sup> China Hotel Starlight Awards Modena Putuo Shanghai

> Top Performing Partner by booking.com

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Fraser Residence Shanghai

#### 2013

Winner of Preferred Serviced Apartments By Human Resources Magazine Frasers Hospitality Pte Ltd

World's Leading Serviced Apartments by World Travel Award 2013 Fraser Suites Le Claridge Champs-Elysees

Best Serviced Residence in China 2011 - 2013 by Business Traveller China Fraser Suites Nanjing

Best Serviced Residence 2010 - 2013 by Best of Malaysia Travel Awards Fraser Place Kuala Lumpur

Australasia's Leading Serviced Apartment Brand by World Travel Award 2013 Frasers Hospitality Pte Ltd

> **Asia's Leading Hotel Residences** by World Travel Award 2013 Capri by Fraser, Changi City / Singapore

**China's Leading Serviced Apartments** by World Travel Award 2013 Fraser Suites Chengdu

Singapore's Leading Serviced Apartment Brand by World Travel Award 2013 Frasers Hospitality Pte Ltd

Australasia's Leading Serviced Apartments by World Travel Award 2013 Fraser Suites Sydney, Australia

**Best Serviced Apartment Operator** by Travel Trade Gazette (TTG) Frasers Hospitality Pte Ltd

Corporate Housing Provider of the Year 2012 & 2013 by Expatriate Management and Mobility Awards Frasers Hospitality Pte Ltd

Serviced Apartment Property of the Year 2009-2013 by HM Awards for Hotel & Accommodation Excellence, HM Magazine Fraser Suites Sydney

> 2013 Hungary's Leading Serviced Apartments by World Travel Award 2013 Fraser Residence Budapest

> Asia's Most Promising Brand 2012-2013 By World Consulting & Research Corporation Frasers Hospitality Pte Ltd

> Asia's Most Promising Leader 2012-2013 By World Consulting & Research Corporation Mr Choe Peng Sum

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Best Airport Hotel by AsiaRooms Hotel Awards 2013 Capri by Fraser, Changi City / Singapore

Singapore Green Hotel Award 2013 by Singapore Hotel Association Capri by Fraser, Changi City / Singapore

Arts Supporter Award 2013 by National Arts Council, Singapore Capri by Fraser, Changi City / Singapore

The Best Service Apartment by Japanese Community in Pearl River Area by Crossroad 2012 & 2013 Fraser Place Shekou, Shenzhen

> Best Serviced Apartment of the Year 2013 by Asia Hotel Golden Olive Awards Fraser Residence CBD East, Beijing

2013 Middle East's Leading Serviced Apartment Brand by World Travel Award 2013 Frasers Hospitality Pte Ltd

2013 Bahrain's Leading Serviced Apartments by World Travel Award 2013 Fraser Suites Bahrain

2013 Qatar's Leading Serviced Apartments by World Travel Award 2013 Fraser Suites Doha

2013 Dubai's Leading Serviced Apartments by World Travel Award 2013 Fraser Suites Dubai

Best Serviced Apartment Provider, Singapore - 2013 by Business Destinations Frasers Hospitality Pte Ltd

Best International Service Apartment in China by Golden Horse Award Fraser Suites Chengdu

> Friend of the Arts Award 2013 By National Arts Council, Singapore Frasers Hospitality Pte Ltd

## Certificate of Excellence 2013

by Trip Advisor Fraser Suites Sydney Fraser Suites River Valley, Singapore Fraser Suites Glasgow Fraser Suites Seef Bahrain Fraser Suites Doha Fraser Suites Dubai Fraser Suites Harmonie Paris La Defense Fraser Suites Le Claridge Fraser Place Kuala Lumpur Fraser Place Anthill Istanbul Fraser Place Canary Wharf Fraser Place Melbourne Fraser Residence Budapest Fraser Residence Shanghai Modena Putuo Shanghai Modena Jinjihu Suzhou

#### Travellers' Choice Award 2013

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by Trip Advisor Fraser Residence Budapest Fraser Suites Top Glory, Shanghai Fraser Place Kuala Lumpur Fraser Residence Nankai, Osaka

The Best Serviced Apartment of China

**by China Hotel** Fraser Suites Top Glory, Shanghai

Best Serviced Apartment by Shanghai Business Review Fraser Suites Top Glory, Shanghai

Best Serviced Apartment by Time Out Fraser Suites Top Glory, Shanghai

Best Serviced Apartment in China by Golden Pillow Awards Fraser Suites Top Glory, Shanghai

Indonesia's Leading Serviced Apartment and Suite by Indonesia Travel Tourism Awards 2012/2013 Fraser Residence Sudirman, Jakarta

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