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Resense to manage four Kempinski spas in Asia

Global spa management company Resense is developing several new spas for hotel brand Kempinski in Asia, including locations in Malaysia, Myanmar, Thailand and South Korea.

The Spa & Wellness Membership Club at Kempinski Hotel & Residences in Busan, South Korea, will include a 4,000sq m (43,056sq ft) health and wellness facility designed by HBA Singapore and spread over two floors. Designed as a 'best in class' private members club, the facility will include four spa treatment rooms, three suites, a salon and a spa retail experience area.

A 550sq m (5,920sq ft) fitness facility with studios and fitness testing will be combined with Korean bathing and thermal facilities, while an indoor/outdoor aquatonic pool will provide views of the Busan coastline.

Catering to a Korean high-net-worth clientele, the club will also feature an indoor golf



Kempinski The Spa at 8 Conlay in Kuala Lumpur is set to open in 2020

the beauty and culture of Malaysia, the 700sq m (7,535sq ft) spa will include eight treatment rooms – including two double, one VIP double and five single – as well as a four-chair foot massage room.

Therapies will engage the five senses with a core concept focusing on wellness and balance, but advanced treatments will combine all aspects of internal and external wellness with advanced techniques to look and feel younger. A relaxation lounge, separate male and female sauna and steam rooms, a swimming pool and a 24-hour fitness centre will also be included.

The Kempinski The Spa at The Heritage Hotel Kempinski Yangon, Myanmar, will be located in the original colonial architecture of the State House building, and is set to open in 2018.

Details: http://lei.sr?a=u4F2V_S

Sisley opens Paris day spa

France-based luxury cosmetics company Sisley has opened its first ever day spa in the capital city Paris.

The 4,000sq ft (360sq m) spa is housed in a listed building and has four distinct areas: a treatment area, lounge, a café and a Sisley Boutique.

The treatment area houses five treatment rooms – including one double treatment room – and offers a menu of facials and body treatments, all using Sisley products.

Sisley has created a special range of treatments for the spa, called 'The Paris Exclusives.'

Details: <http://lei.sr?a=N3k9Z>

Linser tapped to work on Latvian project

International consulting firm Linser Hospitality has been engaged to develop the extensive health and wellness programming for the Kemerli Park project in Jurmala, Latvia.

The development includes both a five-star luxury hotel – set in a grand, historically significant building – and a four-star medical clinic situated a few hundred meters away, as well as a regeneration of the surrounding village into a wellness community.

Linser Hospitality will be responsible for everything from the analysis, to the positioning of the hotels, to all aspects of pre-opening. The five-star hotel is slated to open in 2018 with a 1,500sq m (16,146sq ft) spa, and the clinic will follow soon after. Latvian wellness consultancy Inbalans Group is also



Franz Linser, managing director of Linser Hospitality, will oversee the development

working on the project, together with Moscow-based international development company Griffin Partners and the Jurmala City Council.

The two hotels will be linked by a strong health and wellness theme.

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Blu Spas creates Roman spa in Tunis

Blu Spas has collaborated with HKS/Hill Glazier Studio and Brayton Hughes for the spa design at the upcoming Four Seasons Hotel Tunis, due to open in late 2017.

Perched along the hillside of Gammarth, the 200-bedroom hotel combines Arabic-inspired architecture and Mediterranean influences, with a series of pools, gardens and fountains that echo the design of the historic medina.

Blu Spas first started work on the Roman-inspired spa almost ten years ago; it will include 15 treatment rooms – including four all-day suites – a spa salon, fitness and studio with a traditional garden and water courtyards, and what Blu Spas principal Cary Collier calls a “stunning hammam.”

“The project is located on a sandy site that steps down to the Mediterranean Sea and north of the ancient ruins of Carthage,” said Collier. “The spa design, embracing the hotel design vision, is rich in Tunisian culture.”

The hotel is owned by investment group the Mabrouk Group, and is the first Four



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Seasons in Tunisia and the seventh in North Africa; Four Seasons also manages two properties in Morocco and four in Egypt.

Blu Spas is also creating a two-level, seven-treatment-room spa for the upcoming Four Seasons Hotel in Kuwait.

The company has worked in conjunction with designers Yabu Pushelberg and KEO International to create the 923sq m (9,935sq ft) spa at the Kuwait hotel, located in Burj Alshaya, which is set to open in mid-2017. Details: http://lei.sr?a=F7n6S_S

2,000sq m Willow Stream spa debuts

Hospitality group Fairmont Hotels & Resorts is continuing its global expansion strategy with the opening of a hotel in Istanbul, Turkey.

The 209-room Fairmont Quasar is located in Mecidiyeköy, one of Istanbul's business quarters on the western side of city.

The hotel's USP is the Turkish-themed, 2,000 sq m (21,527sq ft) Willow Stream Spa, which pays homage to local traditions by offering a Turkish

bath and authentic hammam treatments, stress relief and skin care treatments.

Managed by Fairmont's in-house team, the spa houses seven treatment rooms and two couples' VIP suites, a yoga room and an indoor pool with a retractable glass separator which opens up in spring and summer. There is also a separate outdoor swimming pool.

Wet areas include an authentic, Turkish hammam and a wide range of saunas, steam-rooms, ice fountains and relaxation areas.



Managed by Fairmont, the spa has seven treatment rooms and wet areas

The treatment menu has been built around a selection of traditional and authentic Turkish body treatments, which use locally inspired hammam products supplied by Saru Organik.

The menu is supported by a collection of western massage and facial treatments using the Kerstin Florian product line.

Fairmont worked together with Turkish spa consultancy Promet, which delivered the Willow Stream Spa as a turnkey project. Details: http://lei.sr?a=p9y5d_S



Six Senses to open Ibiza spa in 2020

Six Senses Hotels Resorts Spas is set to open its third European spa resort on the Spanish island of Ibiza in 2020. The group has signed a management deal with Beach Box Ibiza – which is developing the resort – to operate the property as a part resort, part residential project.

Six Senses CEO Neil Jacobs says the development will be a “benchmark in innovative design.”

“Our first resort, spa and residential project in Ibiza will celebrate wellness, sustainability and community spirit,” Jacobs said.

“Every aspect of the property’s physical design will facilitate the feeling of community and the activities and amenities offered to guests will focus on learning and experience.”

Six Senses Ibiza will offer 134 guest accommodations on a 25-acre (10-hectare) site and across three different types of suite – townhouse suites, deluxe pool suites with private decks and beach cave suites.

The wellness and spa facilities have been divided into two distinct areas – a spa and a



The resort is set to open in 2020 and will overlook the Cala Xarraca Bay

wellness learning centre. According to Jacobs, the “one of a kind” spiritual learning centre will offer an “innovative approach to optimising health which includes fitness, nutrition, education, yoga, sleep, mindfulness and more.”

“Guests will be able to select how far they want to go in pioneering their health and wellness practices,” he added.

While the exact details of the spa are yet to be confirmed, it will feature a full range of treatment rooms, a communal treatment lounge and an oxygen bar.

Details: http://lei.sr?a=5p5t2_S

One&Only Sanya to include garden spa

A 2,850sq m (30,677sq ft) ESPA spa will be part of the One&Only Sanya, set to open later this year.

The first One&Only in China, One&Only Sanya is designed by architect Jean-Michel Gathy and will be situated among 40 acres of palm trees with views of the South China Sea.

The ESPA spa will be set in a secluded garden area, and include an authentic Moroccan hammam and a snow cabin. Signature treatments will include Island Hammam Glow and Mindfulness Moment experiences.

The vision of the resort is designed to reflect the local culture of the region, bringing a sense of destination both indoors and out, and Gathy has used red as a prominent colour throughout, in homage to the Chinese sentiment for the colour, with playful touches such as a red lacquered piano. Vast dramatic water gardens will ripple throughout the resort, uniting the



Water features will unite different areas of the resort

dining venues, spa, fitness centre and kids club. The interior design throughout the resort is described as “lively and animated” and Gathy has created a large aquarium in the poolside cafe for guests to select their catch of the day.

“My role is to serve the market and I have considered this in all aspects of the design of One&Only Sanya,” said Gathy.

Details: http://lei.sr?a=u9a3P_S



The event will showcase male beauty trends

Olympia Beauty to feature ‘beauty for men’ section

This year’s Olympia Beauty show in London, UK will look to reflect the growth in the male beauty sector by featuring a large ‘Health and Beauty for Men’ section at the event.

The specialist zone will include a live stage, with 12 brands coming together to unveil and present the latest trends in men’s wellness. A number of recent innovations to hit the sector will be demonstrated live on stage, alongside the opportunity to engage with leading professionals and discover why the male market is rapidly growing in importance for the spa and wellness industries.

A spokesperson for the event said: “For too long has the industry missed 50 per cent of the population and we intend to address this with the launch of the ‘Health & Beauty for Men’ area in the show.”

Details: <http://lei.sr?a=7f0Y5>

DLL considering rolling out ‘group napping classes’

UK-based health club operator David Lloyd Leisure (DLL) is considering rolling out a new fitness class – which consists of nothing but sleeping. Primarily targeted at exhausted parents, the pioneering new ‘Napercise’ sessions consists of 45-minute sleep sessions which – according to DLL – have been scientifically designed to reinvigorate the mind and improve moods.

The first of its kind, DLL describes Napercise as a “new type of wellbeing class” and has been developed alongside sleep expert Kathryn Pinkham.

Upon arrival in the studio – in which the temperature will be dropped to a level that promotes calorie burning during sleep – guests will find single beds and atmospheric sounds, designed to create the perfect environment for sleeping.

Details: http://lei.sr?a=c8z9K_S



The Landmark spa houses one of London's few chlorine-free indoor swimming pools

The Landmark London undergoes renovation

The Spa and Health Club at The Landmark London hotel has relaunched after undergoing an extensive, six-week redevelopment programme.

Treatment rooms, spa reception and changing areas have all been redesigned and reconfigured as part of a strategy to improve the spa's customer journey.

Specialist consultancy SMC Design was brought in to plan the re-design, which includes the use of materials – such as dark copper and porcelain stone tiles – deemed to have a “synergy with the architecture” of the spa's historic surroundings.

The spa now houses four treatment rooms, a fitness suite, one of London's few chlorine-free indoor swimming pools, steamrooms and a sanarium.

Details: http://lei.sr?a=n2h9j_S

Local Cornish experiences on tap for Crantock Bay spa

The owners of Crantock Bay, a leisure development near Newquay in Cornwall, UK, have announced plans to open a boutique day spa in June.

Owned and managed by the Eyles family, the spa will be the latest stage in the ongoing project to transform the former Crantock Bay Hotel into luxury, self-catering apartments and supporting leisure facilities.

The 72sq m (775sq ft) spa, scheduled for a mid-June launch, will have three treatment rooms and will be open to guests staying in the holiday apartments as well as non-guests. The boutique spa will focus on offering a local, Cornish experience. Designed by Newquay-based Whitrow Design, the spa will use Made For Life by Spiezia products in its treatments – with every product made by hand in Cornwall using organic herbs, flowers and oils.

Details: http://lei.sr?a=C5P8V_S

Vivamayr opens London detox centre

Austria-based medical detox centre Vivamayr has opened its first location outside the Alpine country, on London's famous Harley Street.

The clinic offers patients an introduction to modern Mayr medicine, a natural cure based on intestinal cleansing that combines medical detox, personalised diets and holistic healing treatments.

The day clinic is led by Vivamayr's senior medical team, Dr Harald Stossier, Dr Sepp Fegerl, Dr Christine Stossier and Dr Doris Schuscha, who will each have a weekly residency at the clinic.

The clinic primarily offers diagnostic consultations, as well as a curated selection of therapies, including diagnostic blood tests, intravenous infusions, oxygen therapy, manual abdominal treatment, applied kinesiology and stress testing. Vivamayr London will also host cooking classes with Vivamayr chefs



The clinic offers patients an introduction to modern Mayr medicine

from its residential locations in Altaussee and Maria Worth, who will demonstrate how to adapt the Mayr diet at home.

There will also be an evening programme of guest speakers and lecturers on topics from integrating the Mayr philosophy into everyday life to the influence of diet on hormone regulation.

Details: http://lei.sr?a=B5D8t_S

Monte-Carlo gets Givenchy spa

French luxury fashion and perfume house Givenchy has opened a branded day spa at the Hotel Metropole Monte-Carlo in Monaco.

Spa Metropole by Givenchy features 10 treatment rooms – including two private suites – a chromatherapy bathtub, integrated Hammam shower, a relaxation room, fitness studio equipped with Technogym kit and a manicure and pedicure studio by Bastien Gonzalez.

The spa's signature treatment is the Le Soin Noir Renaissance Integrale – a two-hour face and body treatment, costing €400 (US\$437, £337).

Created by French architect Didier Gomez, the spa is designed to complement the architecture of the historic hotel. The spa is Givenchy's first in Monaco and third worldwide. The other two are located at the Hotel Sahrai at Fez, Morocco and Le Mirador Resort & Spa at Montreux, Switzerland.

The launch of the Monaco spa comes as the fashion house looks to expand and diversify its brand into new areas of luxury and fashion.

Givenchy recently announced details of its very first childrenswear collection



Designed by French architect Didier Gomez, the Spa Metropole by Givenchy features 10 treatment rooms and two private suites

– designed by the company's new artistic director Clare Waight Keller – which is due to launch in July, in time for the European autumn/winter 2017 fashion season.

Originally built in 1889, the 126-room Hotel Metropole Monte-Carlo was fully renovated in 2004 by French designer Jacques Garcia.

Located in the Carré d'Or, overlooking the Mediterranean Sea, the hotel is famous for its cuisine and houses three restaurants, two of which have Michelin stars.

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Muza designs 'free spirit paradise'

Inge Moore and her team at Muza Lab have completed the redesign of the Kanuhura in the Maldives, a private island retreat, taking their inspiration from the 'gypset' – a lifestyle that combines the unconventionality of the gypsy fused with the sophistication and speed of the jet set.

Muza Lab has redesigned the entire resort, including the 1,035sq m (11,141sq ft) Kokaa Spa, named after a local butterfly and designed to be a space of "grace and elegance."

"In order to create a laid-back space that feels distinctly different from the predominantly Asian-styled Maldivian resorts, we designed Kanuhura to have a less-tailored atmosphere," Moore told *Spa Opportunities*. "The kokaa, an all-white butterfly native to the region, embodies the bohemian nature of 'gypsetters' as free-spirited nomads who roam the world and are familiar with the best of life."



Moore used fluid fabrics and graceful shapes in the spa's design

The spa includes nine treatment rooms and has a large reception area with shop, male and female changing facilities with steam and sauna, and male and female hot and cold whirlpool plunge pools with garden views.

A central relaxation zone has individual and double pods enclosed with soft curtains and a layer of sculptural butterfly screens hanging from the ceiling.

Details: http://lei.sr?a=z9z2E_S

Mövenpick to enter the Maldives

Swiss management company Mövenpick Hotels & Resorts has secured a deal to operate a luxury resort on the Noonu Atoll in the Maldives, due to open next year.

The Mövenpick Resort & Spa Kuredhivaru Maldives will be the company's first ever in the island nation and has been scheduled to open in Q1 2018. No financial information was revealed about the value of the deal.

Located in an undeveloped northern part of the Maldives, the resort will offer accommodation in 32 beach villas and 70 over water villas.

The resort's luxury spa will be housed in a separate villa and will house 14 private treatment rooms, a tranquil yoga pavilion and a large health and fitness club. Further details will of the spa and wellness offer will be revealed later this year.

The property's USP will be the privacy it offers. Located in the Maldives' least developed region, the resort will be one of only a few tourism properties in the area.

Taking advantage of its location, the resort has been designed to offer



Located in the Maldives' least developed northern region, the resort will be one of only a few tourism properties in the area

guests the opportunity to both "hide away" and to immerse themselves in the surrounding, untouched nature. Many of the surrounding islands are still uninhabited.

Rich in marine life, the waters surrounding the resort will play an integral role in the resort's leisure offer. There will be a variety of above and underwater experiences and the resort will house a large diving centre, as well as a small scale marine research centre and private marina for 12 catamarans.

Details: http://lei.sr?a=y2r7j_S



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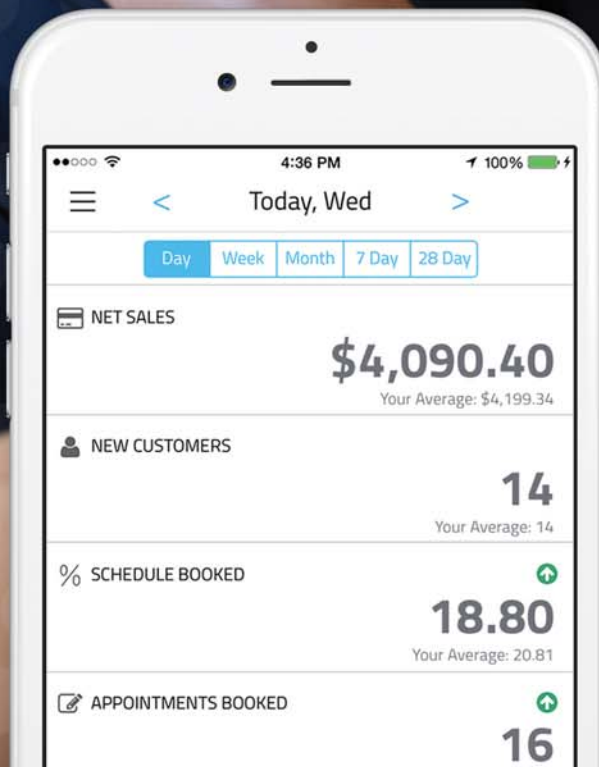




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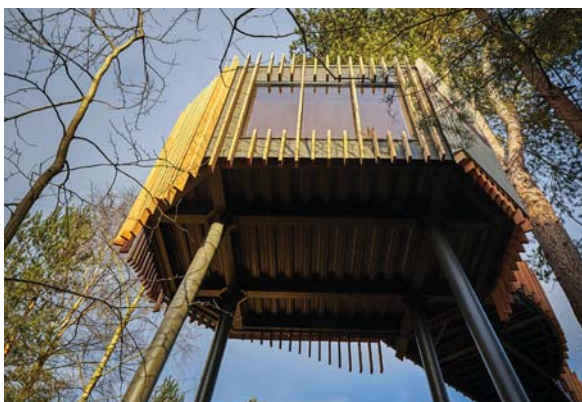
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Center Parcs debuts Forest Spa concept

Thirty years after it first opened, Center Parcs has unveiled its new Forest Spa concept at its 1,500sq m (16,146sq ft) Sherwood Forest location in England, showcasing 26 new spa experiences in a completely redesigned two-storey spa.

"This is not just a refurbishment, but an evolution of our brand," said Sue Goddard, group leisure manager for Center Parcs. "We don't want to wait until our spa concept shows its age – we want to innovate, and we want to stay ahead of other spas."

The £3m (US\$3.9m, €3.5m) renovation took its inspiration from the resort's surrounding forest, as well as from forests around the world, from Nordic landscapes to the high-altitude Chilean Arenal forest. The forest spa concept is an extension of Center Parcs' Aqua Sana brand, and will be used in the upcoming Longford



The pièce de résistance is a treetop sauna, built nearly 10m high

Forest – the brand's first location in Ireland – which is due to open in 2019. Elements from the concept will also be incorporated into the other four Center Parcs locations in the UK.

At the Sherwood Forest spa, six zones showcase an assortment of heat experiences, pool, foot spas, outdoor hot tubs, steamrooms, saunas, an ice cave and relaxation rooms.

Details: http://lei.sr?a=8V6w5_S

Emaar plans Middle East expansion

Dubai-based Emaar Hospitality Group, the hospitality and leisure arm of Emaar Properties, has announced plans to open six new hotels in the Middle East.

The new properties in Dubai, Abu Dhabi and Egypt will be operated under the Group's luxury brands – the premium luxury Address Hotels + Resorts and the upscale lifestyle Vida Hotels and Resorts.

Among the new hotels will be Address Marassi Beach Resort and Address Residences Marassi Beach Resort. Both properties will be part of Marassi – a huge, masterplanned beachfront development in Egypt. Emaar has already signed a contract to operate Address Marassi Golf Resort + Spa within the same master-development. Each of the Address-branded hotels will have significant spa and wellness offerings, but a spokesperson said exact details are yet to be confirmed.

Meanwhile, Emaar will strengthen its Vida Hotels and Resorts portfolio with the opening of the Vida Dubai Creek Harbour, Vida Dubai Marina and Vida Residences Dubai Marina. The sixth new property will be located in Abu Dhabi, with the opening of the Vida Beach Reem Island.

Olivier Harnisch, Emaar CEO, said: "We're marking our 10th year of operation, and have established our reputation as a hospitality group with a fast-growing international footprint.



Vida Dubai Creek Harbour in the UAE – one of Emaar's upscale lifestyle hotels

"The upcoming properties highlight our competencies in delivering guest-centric lifestyle experiences."

Emaar Hospitality Group's parent company Emaar Properties is one of the leading developers in the UAE. Its current projects include the US\$1bn (€915m, £773m) Santiago Calatrava-designed world's tallest skyscraper, which is scheduled to open in Dubai in 2020.

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Kurland's SnowBliss brings 'power of nature' to the spa

Kurland has created a custom snow shower concept, SnowBliss, for the Ye Olde Bell Hotel in Nottinghamshire, UK.

Now being released to a wider market, SnowBliss is designed to bring the 'power of nature' into the spa experience. SnowBliss is a fully customisable, sensory experience that can be integrated into any spa or wellness area.

Guests can choose between two settings: snowfall and snowstorm. Snowfall features a gentle sprinkling of snow, while Snowstorm is a literal snowstorm featuring thunder and lightening, and swirling snowflakes.

The Ye Olde Bell wanted to develop a different experience, away from the traditional ice fountain or cold room.

KEYWORD: KURLAND

GHS's HaloAir Cabin offers space-saving solution

Global Halotherapy Solutions has launched two space-saving mobile halotherapy solutions, the HaloCabin Air and the Halo Tent.

They were developed as portable solutions for spas that want to offer salt therapy treatments – also known as halotherapy – but have limited space.

The HaloCabin Air is a lightweight, inflatable cabin that can accommodate up to three people. The HaloTent is a portable tent, designed for individual use. It has a quick assembly time, and can be set up and dismantled within 10 minutes. Both the tent and cabin are made from a durable polyester that is coated with polyurethane to make it fire-proof and water-resistant.

Steve Spiro, founder and managing partner at Global Halotherapy Solutions,



said: "The HaloCabin Air and the HaloTent were designed for spas who want to quickly, easily and inexpensively begin to offer Halotherapy onsite - especially where they have multi-purpose and/or unused spaces."

KEYWORD: GLOBAL HALOTHERAPY SOLUTIONS



Dornbracht debuts new modular LifeSpa concept

Dornbracht has launched a water treatment concept for at home and professional use.

The LifeSpa concept is an innovative new modular system, that is designed to integrate adaptable 'health-enhancing' water applications into bathrooms and spas.

Applications include the Aquapressure shower and the WaterFan and WaterCurve jets. The treatments include affusions, contrast showers, horizontal showers and water massages, and are designed to improve well-being and increase energy levels over time.

KEYWORD: DORNBRACHT



Thalion's Mineral Booster gives 'shot of marine energy' to skin

Thalion has released Mineral Booster, a new liquid care facial treatment, designed to provide a 'shot of marine energy' to the skin, for a smooth, plumped and radiant complexion.

Liquid care is a water-based innovation that claims to deliver the benefits of water directly into the skin through light, meltable formulas that are designed to dissolve into the skin.

The booster is formulated with active water and mineral trace elements from the sea, to moisturise and re-energise tired skin.

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Linser working on Kemerli Park project

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Located within Latvia's Kemerli National Park, the two hotels will be linked by a strong health and wellness theme, said Franz Linser, managing director of Linser Hospitality. He expects the destination spa to draw clientele from Russia, central Europe and the UK, where they can experience treatments based around Kemerli's natural mineral waters and curative muds.

"We'll merge the natural and curative treasures of Latvia to make it a health and wellness destination," said Linser. "The location has a stunning forest surrounding it, and the nature, combined with the mud that you find there, makes it a very interesting area. Hopefully we'll add considerable value to the surroundings."

Kemerli has been a wellness destination since the 16th century. In the 19th century, as the curative properties of mineral waters and muds became well known,



The five-star hotel was originally built in 1936 as a symbol of Latvia's first independence, and is being restored by Martins Hermansons

Russia's Tsar Nikolai I opened the first state bathhouse institution in 1838, and in 1912, a direct railroad from Moscow to Kemerli was built, increasing the traffic to the town.

The five-star hotel was originally built in 1936 by Riga architect Eizens Laube as a symbol of Latvia's first independence. Riga-based architect Martins Hermansons is heading up the restoration of the Art Nouveau building.

Details: http://lei.sr?a=C8h5R_S

Global Wellness Day to reach 100 countries

Belgin Aksoy, founder of the Global Wellness Day (GWD) initiative, says that more than 100 countries and 4,000 locations will take part in the one-day event this year.

Now in its sixth year, GWD was set up to highlight the importance of wellness to a wider audience, with the motto of "one day can change your whole life."

During the day – 10 June 2017 – free wellness activities, ranging from zumba, yoga and pilates to ballet and hiking, will be organised on a huge scale across the globe.

The physical activities are supported by workshops related to wellness, covering topics such as nutrition, happiness and mindfulness.

Originating in Turkey – where the event was organised as a national scheme – Global Wellness Day has since "gone global" and secured government support in a number of countries, including India, the US, Canada, Ireland and Mexico.

"As GWD family, we are thrilled that Global Wellness Day is garnering such support



GWD founder Belgin Aksoy (right) with Sir Richard Branson

worldwide," Aksoy said. "Our ambassadors have done such an amazing job that this year we are able to expand our focus to include the goals of spreading a message of happiness, kindness, gratitude and mindfulness."

Those taking part in this year's event include hotel and resort group Mandarin Oriental, which is planning to organise "Digital Wellness" events worldwide, encouraging people to put down their phones for a period of time and focus on their personal wellness.

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