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Appointments ___

Smura becomes Kempinski CEO



Martin R. Smura

Germany: Martin R. Smura has been named as CEO of the Kempinski Group. Bringing a vast amount of management experience to his role, most recently as executive chairman of the board of the Dorint Hotel Group, Smura's role will include mapping a strategic vision for Kempinski's further expansion.

Wild joins Carrossa Hotel Spa Villas



Biörn Wild

Spain: Björn Wild has joined Carrossa Hotel Spa Villas as its new general manager. Wild will focus on creating an 'international welcome' for guests from all over Europe and beyond, as well as further enhancing the resort's luxury offering, including its 1,500sqm wellness centre.

www.carrossa.com

New general manager for Dermalogica



Mark Hermann

UK: Mark Hermann has become the general manager of Dermalogica UK and Ireland. With experience in general and business management from roles at various retail beauty brands, Hermann takes over from Glenn Poy, who now becomes Dermalogica's vice-president of European special projects. www.dermalogica.com

Newton heads up Aqua Sana Longford



Caroline Newton

UK: Caroline Newton has joined the Aqua Sana spa at Center Parcs Longford Forest Village in Ireland. With 15 years of spa experience, Newton will lead Longford's 40-strong opening team. Center Parcs UK's award-winning spa portfolio now totals six spas – one at each of its forest village resorts. www.aquasana.co.uk

Brian Hunter joins Kohler Waters Spa



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Scotland: Brian Hunter has become the new spa manager at Kohler Waters Spa at The Old Course Hotel in St Andrews. Hunter moved back to Scotland in 2017 to take over the Spa at The Balmoral Hotel in Edinburgh, where he worked closely with Irene Forte, wellness director for Rocco Forte Hotels.

www.oldcoursehotel.co.uk

Mario DeSousa takes world massage gold medal





DENMARK: This year's World Championship in Massage event took place in June at Copenhagen University. Created by Jeppe Tengbjerg, CEO of the International Massage Association, with an aim to develop and promote the various massage techniques practiced by therapists worldwide, the event also gave participants the opportunity to strengthen and improve their skills.

A total of 200 massage therapists from 42 countries took part, competing in six categories of Swedish massage; Asian massage; Wellness massage; Freestyle massage (western and eastern-inspired) and Chair massage. Judges evaluated the participants on aspects including flow, client contact, technique and ergonomics.

Pictured above right are Asian massage bronze medal winner Suwattana Rust, Thailand; Chair massage gold medal winner Mario DeSousa, UK; and silver medal Wellness massage winner Alexander Shcheparev, Russia. The 2020 event will take place from June 20-21 in Copenhagen. www.worldchampionship-massage.com

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