

press release

Resorts World Sentosa Invites All Aspiring Pokémon Trainers To Real-Life Pokémon Research Exhibition

New interactive exhibition – a first outside Japan – opens 22 October at S.E.A. Aquarium in Resorts World Sentosa; Visitors to take on role as scientific researchers to study Pokémon



From 22 October, visitors can go on a mission to deduce the critter in their PokéBalls from clues at various observation machines (left), marvel at the unique characteristics of more than 700 Pokémon at a larger-than-life Pokédex wall and meet Pikachu (right) - all at the Pokémon Research Exhibition at S.E.A. Aquarium in Resorts World Sentosa. PHOTO CREDITS: RESORTS WORLD SENTOSA

SINGAPORE, 17 October 2016 – Attention all aspiring Pokémon trainers! Get ready to put on your lab coats and discover hundreds of different Pokémon in the region's first-ever Pokémon Research Exhibition at S.E.A. Aquarium in Resorts World Sentosa. Held for the first time outside Japan, the exhibition welcomes everyone to become scientific researchers for a day to discover the mysterious and colourful world of Pokémon.

To be opened to the public on 22 October, the Pokémon Research Exhibition provides visitors with opportunities to carry out the scientific processes of observation, investigation and data collection, and learn more about species classification with Pokémon as the subjects. All Pokémon trainer hopefuls will each choose a real-life PokéBall to accomplish one mission: to deduce the critter contained within their PokéBalls from clues gathered at various fun and interactive stations.

Mr Jason Horkin, Senior Vice President of Attractions at Resorts World Sentosa, said: "As Asia's premium lifestyle destination resort, we continuously seek to create new events and experiences for visitors, and are thrilled to launch the first-ever Pokémon Research Exhibition outside Japan. Pokémon fans will get a healthy dose of science and, of course, fun during their mission; it is edu-tainment for visitors which is the heart of what we do here at S.E.A. Aquarium in Resorts World Sentosa."



The exhibition features eight areas spanning a total of 1,000 square metres. Visitors begin by choosing their preferred difficulty levels from three PokéBalls – a regular Pokéball (easy), a Great Ball (medium), or an Ultra Ball (hard) – before embarking on their mission. Each visitor has to choose four observation machines and place the PokéBall into these machines that will generate clues such as the Pokémon's distinctive characteristics and silhouettes. Using the collected evidence, visitors will attempt to guess which Pokémon is contained within the PokéBall.

The Pokémon Research Exhibition opens daily from 10am to 7pm and will be available till 2 January 2017. All tickets to the exhibition are bundled with admission to S.E.A. Aquarium. Visitors get to enjoy savings with online ticket bundles at S\$35 (U.P. \$42 for adult) and S\$23 (U.P. \$32 for child/senior) inclusive of admission to S.E.A. Aquarium. Visitors who wish to enjoy unlimited entries to the exhibition and S.E.A. Aquarium all year round can take up the RWS Invites S.E.A. Aquarium annual pass with a top-up from S\$40.

As part of the exhibition, visitors can look forward to meeting the iconic Pikachu mascot, all decked out in a lab coat, and marvel at the unique characteristics of more than 700 Pokémon at a larger-than-life Pokédex wall. The exhibition is located at the exit gallery of S.E.A. Aquarium. As part of the learning experience, visitors can also immerse themselves in an underwater journey by continuing their day at S.E.A. Aquarium to meet over 800 species of marine animals.

More information can be found on <u>www.rwsentosa.com/pokemon</u>

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Resorts World Sentosa (RWS), Asia's premium lifestyle destination resort, is located on Singapore's resort island of Sentosa. Spanning 49 hectares, RWS is home to four world-class attractions including Universal Studios Singapore, S.E.A. Aquarium, Dolphin Island and Adventure Cove Waterpark. Other attractions include the Asian flagship of a world-renowned destination spa, a casino, six unique hotels and the Resorts World Convention Centre. With the most number of Michelin stars in one destination, RWS offers award-winning dining experiences at renowned celebrity chef restaurants, establishing itself as a key player in Singapore's vibrant and diverse dining scene. The integrated resort also offers world-class entertainment, from original resident productions to concerts and public shows such as the Crane Dance and the Lake of Dreams. RWS has been named "Best Integrated Resort" since 2011 for six consecutive years at the TTG Travel Awards which recognises the best of Asia-Pacific's travel industry.

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Note to Editors

- 1. Photos can be downloaded from https://app.box.com/v/RWSPokemon
- 2. All photos are to be attributed to Resorts World Sentosa