

## media release

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### **Resorts World Sentosa conferred three global and national green certifications**

*Aligned with Singapore Tourism Board and Sentosa's long-term sustainability plans, Resorts World Sentosa makes further strides in its sustainability journey by being certified according to the GSTC Destination Criteria and GSTC Industry Criteria for Hotels as well as the SACEOS MICE Sustainability Certificate, Intermediate Tier for Venue.*

**Singapore, 5 August 2021** – Resorts World Sentosa (RWS) has been conferred three internationally and nationally recognised green certifications – in accordance with the **Global Sustainable Tourism Council (GSTC) Destination Criteria** and **GSTC Industry Criteria for Hotels**, as well as the **Singapore Association of Convention and Exhibition Organisers and Suppliers' (SACEOS) Meetings, Incentives, Conferences and Exhibitions' (MICE) Sustainability Certificate, Intermediate Tier for Venue**.

This is an affirmation to its ongoing sustainability journey since the resort was first built over a decade ago. As a major player in Singapore's tourism landscape, RWS continues to align its progress with Singapore Tourism Board (STB) and Sentosa Development Corporation's (SDC) long-term sustainability plans.

RWS, which was also the winner of the inaugural Special Award for Sustainability at the Singapore Tourism Awards 2021 last month, will continue to ramp up its efforts in environmental conservation, waste and pollution reduction, biodiversity and educational outreach to position itself as a sustainable lifestyle destination.

Receiving these certifications on RWS's behalf, Ms Loh Su Kim, Vice President, Sustainability, RWS said: "As RWS embarks on its transformative journey to usher in a new wave of sustainable tourism in the next decade, these green accolades cement the foundations upon which RWS continues to pursue best in class sustainability practices as Asia's leading leisure and tourism destination."

Ms Jeannie Lim, Assistant Chief Executive, Policy and Planning Group, Singapore Tourism Board, said: "We congratulate Resorts World Sentosa on their latest achievements, which support our vision of Singapore as a vibrant and sustainable urban destination. We believe that large experiences can come with small footprints, and we encourage our local tourism industry to develop more solutions and experiences that are both innovative and sustainable."

#### **GSTC Destination Criteria and GSTC Industry Criteria for Hotels**

GSTC is an independent organisation supported by international institutions such as the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and the United Nations World Tourism Organization (UNWTO), aimed at establishing and managing global standards for sustainable travel and tourism. These standards, known as the GSTC Destination Criteria and GSTC Industry Criteria for Hotels, strive to achieve best practices in sustainable tourism. RWS is honoured to be certified according to both the **GSTC Destination Criteria** targeted at destination management, and the **GSTC Industry Criteria for Hotels** targeted at the private-sector travel industry.

As a **Certified Destination**, RWS continues to make its destination policies and management practices more sustainable, and integrate sustainable practices into its day-to-day operations by focusing on driving sustainable tourism and investing in solutions to drive decarbonisation. RWS will also continue to engage guests, team members and the wider community through various research, education and outreach programmes to promote environment and biodiversity conservation.

Meeting requirements for effective sustainability planning and execution at its hotels, RWS is also certified as a sustainable accommodation in accordance with the **GSTC Industry Criteria for Hotels**. Through its six unique luxury hotels, RWS continues to maximise social and economic benefits to the local community, preserve and enhance cultural heritage, and reduce negative impacts to the environment.

#### **SACEOS MICE Sustainability Certification, Intermediate Tier for Venue**

SACEOS MICE Sustainability Certification (MSC) was developed based on sustainability guidelines launched by the Singapore Tourism Board, aimed at aligning businesses in the MICE industry with the national sustainability agenda. As one of Singapore's largest and premium venue provider, RWS is privileged to have been awarded the SACEOS MSC **Intermediate Tier for Venue** certification. This is testament to the company's successful implementation of a high-level organised approach to adopting sustainability guidelines as well as achieving more advanced sustainability performance in its MICE operations. With increasing global and national focus on enhancing sustainable practices in the MICE industry, RWS is further encouraged to improve its green MICE offerings in order to continue organising and supporting events in a sustainable manner, as well as to give back to the community it operates in.

Ms Bitia Seow, Executive Director for SACEOS, said: "SACEOS is delighted to award Resorts World Sentosa the MICE Sustainability Certification, an independently audited programme following the Singapore Tourism Board's (STB) sustainability guidelines. This certification recognise RWS' efforts in embracing sustainable and responsible meeting practices that will bring about a greater quality of experience in MICE events. Together, RWS and SACEOS will continue to drive innovative business practices that meet the global best practices and standards, delighting our worldwide customers."

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#### **ABOUT RESORTS WORLD SENTOSA**

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 world-class attractions including Universal Studios Singapore, S.E.A. Aquarium, Dolphin Island and Adventure Cove Waterpark. Complementing the adventure and adrenaline of its theme parks and attractions are six unique luxury hotels, the world-class Resorts World Convention Centre and a casino. RWS offers award-winning dining experiences and exciting cuisines from around the world across its many renowned celebrity chef restaurants, establishing itself as a key player in Singapore's vibrant and diverse dining scene and a leading gourmet destination in Asia for epicureans. The integrated resort also offers world-class entertainment, from original resident productions to concerts and public shows. RWS has been named "Best Integrated Resort" since 2011 for nine consecutive years at the TTG Travel Awards which recognises the best of Asia-Pacific's travel industry.

RWS is wholly owned by Genting Singapore, a company of the Genting Group. For more information, please visit [www.rwsentosa.com](http://www.rwsentosa.com).

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1. High resolution photographs can be downloaded from link: <https://app.box.com/s/z1czpspmozao4uunhchzdye1ms3v5g08>
2. All photographs are to be attributed to: *Resorts World Sentosa* (圣淘沙名胜世界)



*Resorts World Sentosa, Asia's premium lifestyle destination*



*Equarius Hotel, Resorts World Sentosa*



*Resorts World Sentosa's MICE Venue at Equarius Hotel*



*Resorts World Sentosa's MICE Ballroom*



*One of Singapore's largest solar photovoltaic installations at Resorts World Sentosa*



*Resorts World Sentosa's ETFE (Ethylene tetrafluoroethylene) roof that keeps its premises cool*