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Suntec Singapore Honoured with Visit from His Royal Highness Crown Prince Willem-Alexander of the Netherlands

Singapore, 24 June 2009 - Suntec Singapore was delighted to welcome H.R.H Crown Prince Willem-Alexander of the Netherlands on a visit to Asia's leading convention centre last week.

Arriving at the Centre, H.R.H Crown Prince Willem-Alexander was greeted and met by Dr Yaacob Ibrahim, Singapore's Minister for the Environment and Water Resource and Pieter Idenburg, CEO of Suntec Singapore. He visited the Singapore International Water Week at the Centre in his capacity as Chairman of the United Nations Secretary-General's Advisory Board on Water and Sanitation. The Water Week is a global platform for solutions to water and addresses challenges, showcases technologies, discovers opportunities and celebrates achievements in the water world.

H.R.H Crown Prince Willem-Alexander also addressed the Ministerial Forum for "Leadership and Opportunities" at the Singapore International Water Week and detailed the importance of proper sanitation, particularly in Asia where its rapidly expanding economies are expected to push the demands for water, energy and raw materials a notch further.

H.R.H Crown Prince Willem-Alexander is an Honorary Member of the World Commission on Water for the 21st Century and Patron of the Global Water Partnership, a body established by the World Bank, the UN, and the Swedish Ministry of Development.

During his visit, Pieter Idenburg, CEO of Suntec Singapore escorted and accompanied the Crown Prince to his various meetings and on a tour of the exhibition where H.R.H visited the Dutch/European Pavilion and Dutch companies' stands.

“It was a tremendous honour to welcome His Royal Highness Crown Prince Willem-Alexander to Singapore and to Suntec Singapore. We are delighted to have had the Prince as one of the speakers for the highly successful Singapore International Water Week, an event that highlights new water technologies and solutions. Suntec Singapore was proud to have been involved in this highly anticipated event - a global platform for water solutions that brings together leaders, experts and practitioners to address water challenges, technologies and opportunities”, said Pieter Idenburg, CEO of Suntec Singapore.

The highlight of the week-long event was the conferment of the prestigious Lee Kuan Yew Water Prize to Professor Gatze Lettinga for his breakthrough research in environmentally sustainable solutions for the treatment of used water.

The second edition of the Singapore International Water Week, held from 22 to 25 June 2009, also featured the Water Convention and Water Expo. The event was attended by 10,000 delegates, and drew more than 160 exhibitors, as well as 8 Business Forums and a new Finance Forum, offering delegates and visitors a platform to explore new business opportunities.

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About Suntec Singapore

Suntec Singapore is a world-class venue located at the heart of Asia's most integrated meetings, conventions and exhibitions hub. With 100,000sqm of versatile floor space over six levels, this award-winning facility can cater to events from 10 to 20,000 persons. In addition, Suntec Singapore - Asia's Convention City offers direct access to 5,200 hotel rooms, 1,000 retail outlets, 300 restaurants, 6 museums and the region's newest centre for the performing arts, Esplanade - Theatres on the Bay. While only 20 minutes from Changi International Airport, Suntec Singapore is conveniently located adjacent to the Central Business District and just minutes from the city's entertainment and cultural attractions.

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