

## **Press release**

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### **InterContinental Warszawa General Manager Appointment**

Mr. Christian Henkemeier has been appointed new General Manager of the InterContinental Warszawa. Christian is rejoining IHG – he started his career at IHG in 1981 at the InterContinental Berlin, later moving to London. A native German, his assignments brought him to destinations such as Paris, Düsseldorf, Beijing and Cologne, where he led Hilton Cologne as opening GM and from 2004 to his new assignment in Warsaw as GM at the Regal Shanghai East Asia Hotel in China. With great excitement Mr. Henkemeier is coming to Poland, and is looking very much forward to his new challenge in its thriving capital, Warsaw. Christian moved to Warsaw, with his wife Barbara, joining him in early March.

Whilst Christian considers his professional role as a "host" as more than a job, in his spare time he enjoys a game of squash, or a round of Golf, which he took up recently with his wife, travelling and just "being with friends".

Christian Henkemeier's predecessor, Karl Hala, is leaving his post as General Manager of the InterContinental Warszawa after leading it very successfully during the last 3 years. He is staying within the IHG and is not only taking over the role of General Manager for the InterContinental Nairobi in Kenya, but also the regional management for the whole Africa region.