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Beachcomber Tours South Africa rewards its best agents

The Top 10 Premier Awards of Beachcomber Tours South Africa were held from November 28 to December 2. This event rewards the best travel agents of the locally-based Tour Operator of Beachcomber Resorts & Hotels. The artisans of Trou aux Biches Beachcomber demonstrated tireless efforts to make the stay of the participants a memorable one. "Celebration" was the main theme of this year's event in honour of the 65th anniversary of Beachcomber Group.

During their stay, the travel professionals discovered the new products of the group including the renovation of Canonnier Beachcomber, *Victoria for 2* which was launched on December 1st and Mont Choisy Le Golf. Several themed evenings were also scheduled. "*Seaside Soirée*" or an evening by the sea, comprised of a seafood buffet dipped in a tropical ambiance. "Beauty and the Banyan Evening" - an ode to light – celebrated the ritual *Beautiful Lights.* The Mauritian flag was honoured during a Mauritian night – an opportunity for the travel agents to discover the cultural and culinary diversity of the island.

The highlight of Top 10 Awards 2017 was definitely the gala night *Desert Oasis* which was held on November 30 in presence of several representatives of the management team of Beachcomber Group. Colourful, intense, soft night light, Bedouin tent, shisha, mats and a blissful menu – everything was set for a magical evening. The Top 10 Awards rewarded the top 10 achievers of the tour operator. Kim KRAL and Yolanda SAAYMAN of Travel by Investec won the 'Top Sellers' awards.

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About Beachcomber

Beachcomber Resorts & Hotels is the pioneer and leader of the Mauritian tourism industry. Since the creation of Park Hotel in 1952, a collection of 9 resorts have emerged over the years, including the mythical Royal Palm Beachcomber Luxury Mauritius in 1985, considered by everyone as the reference in hospitality for luxury holidays in Mauritius.

The Group recently expanded its collection, with the integration of the Beachcomber French Riviera, situated on the Côte d'Azur, in France.

The collection of 9 resorts affords a choice of accommodation options ranging from rooms and apartments to suites and villas. Each hotel is imbued with a particular history and cachet, embodying an image of discrete luxury.

Social responsibility – Fondation Espoir Développement (FED), by Beachcomber

Set up and financed by Beachcomber since 1999, with the participation of hotels and employees, this foundation takes care of these main projects:

- Projet Employabilité Jeunes (PEJ): professional insertion of school drop-outs through a training programme and industrial attachments.
- Collaboration with NGOs, schools and associations
- Regional projects – youth mentoring: the "Amour et Espoir" NGO; IT initiation; youth monitoring via the "Duke of Edinburgh International Award" programme, participation of regional sports clubs in the organisation of the Beachcomber UTRB Trail 2015

Social responsibility – Local Hands

Programme launched in 2006 to support small local artisans by providing them with training and guidance as they embark upon the process of creation, production, marketing and sales.

Sustainable development – our environmental actions – EarthCheck label

Sustainable development and environmental protection constitute real considerations within the Group, which has set up, amongst other initiatives, practices that ensure energy savings and favour renewable energy sources. These initiatives in favour of sustainable development have been recognised and rewarded, with Beachcomber head Office, Dinarobin Beachcomber and Paradis Beachcomber obtaining the EarthCheck Benchmarked Silver accreditation and Trou aux Biches Beachcomber and Victoria Beachcomber which recently obtained the EarthCheck Benchmarked Bronze accreditation for their ongoing commitment to environmentally responsible practices.