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#### ELEGANT RESORTS APPOINT NEW HEAD OF PRODUCT AND PRODUCT MANAGER

Luxury Tour Operator Elegant Resorts is delighted to announce the appointment of Rebecca Turner as Head of Product and Jessica Carney as Product Manager for Asia and Australasia, as the company further expands its offering with new destinations, properties and experiences around the world.



**Rebecca Turner** will start her new Head of Product role on 26 November and will oversee the worldwide portfolio of product at Elegant Resorts. Rebecca has a wealth of experience in the travel industry having started her career at Travelbag, selling holidays to the USA and Canada. She later joined what was ITC Classics where she was Product and Purchasing Manager covering all East destinations for the Tour Operator. After eight years focusing purely on the luxury sector, Rebecca joined independently owned Gold Medal Travel as

Destination Manager responsible for Australia, New Zealand and South Pacific destinations for four years, before heading up the Asia region. While in this position, the business was sold to Thomas Cook and later on to Dnata, offering Rebecca the opportunity to manage two of the largest B2B tour operators in the UK, Gold Medal and Travel 2. Turner was then promoted to Senior Product Manager and headed up the product team for all Asia and Oceania regions combined. Rebecca is delighted to join Elegant Resorts and cannot wait to contribute to the success of the company using her wealth of knowledge and experience.



**Jessica Carney** joined the company this month as Product Manager for Asia and Australasia from Trailfinders, where she worked for over seven years. She started her career as a Worldwide Consultant and worked her way up to the position of Continental Destination Manager for Asia, Indian Ocean, Caribbean & Arabia. Jessica has in-depth knowledge of the region having not only travelled extensively across South East Asia but also through her

professional experience, having looked after the region for three years. Jessica's role is key in the development of the product portfolio at Elegant Resorts, with Asia and Australasia being key focus areas. For 2020, Jessica will work on increasing the operator's presence in Thailand, while also growing destinations such as The Philippines, Vietnam and Fiji.

Managing Director Lisa Fitzell commented: "We are delighted to welcome Rebecca and Jessica to our team. They are joining at a very exciting time and their wealth of knowledge,

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expertise and enthusiasm are going to really benefit the business, especially as we aim to grow our tailor-made offering, which will include private and escorted tours."

Photographs of Rebecca Turner and Jessica Carney are available <u>here</u> for download.

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