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GL events enters into a joint venture with Yuexiu Group for a future convention centre in Guangzhou (Canton)

On 27 September 2016, GL events and Yuexiu Group, represented by their respective Chairmen, Mr Olivier Ginon and Mr Zhang Zhaoxing, signed a joint venture agreement to jointly develop a network of event sites in China. The first phase will consist in managing a 50,000 m2 convention centre in Guangzhou, targeted for opening in 2019.

Executive Vice Mayor of Guangzhou, Mr Ouyang Weimin, Vice Mayor, Mr Cai Chaolin and the Consul General of France in Guangzhou, Mr Furno, were present on this historic occasion. This signature officially inaugurates the start of cooperation between two major groups. It is also a testimony to Guangzhou's commitment to establish a position as an international destination for conventions.

This agreement represents an important project for the Guangzhou municipality and the destination's development. The future "Guangzhou Yuexiu International Congress Centre" to be established in the Yuexiu district, the historic centre, will offer the city an attractive hub that is destined to become a major venue for large conferences and international corporate events.

Guangzhou, one of China's three largest cities known as a destination for exhibitions and conventions, has for several years been investing to improve its event industry infrastructure in order to organize and attract world-class international conventions. The success of the Yuexiu International Convention Centre will bolster Guangzhou's position as the top destination in southern China for conventions and congresses.

Beyond the future management of the Convention Centre, this partnership will provide a foundation for developing joint projects in the Guangdong province, and more largely, in Mainland China. It in this way reinforces GL events' foothold in the Asia-Pacific region that began 20 years ago with event industry activities in Hong Kong and Shanghai. Guangzhou (Canton), a major international city, will host the headquarters for GL events operations in China.

About GL events

GL events, an international event industry group, is pursuing its development as a provider of integrated solutions in the three main market segments: congresses and conventions, cultural, sports and political events, trade shows / B2B and B2C exhibitions and consumer affairs.

The Group operates on behalf of a broad range of institutional and private customers in France and throughout the world, committed to reforming the missions entrusted to it in a manner that faithfully reflects the ambitions and stakes of the customers.

Present on five continents with operations in more than 20 countries, GL events has 4,000 employees had revenue of €942 million in 2015.

For more information: www.gl-events.com

About Yuexiu Group

Yuexiu Group was established in Hong Kong in 1985, and its core businesses are three major modern service industries, namely real estate, finance, and transport & infrastructure. By the end of 2015, Yuexiu Group had ranked first in asset size of all state-owned enterprise groups in Guangzhou with leading performances in overall economic benefits and total assets exceeding RMB 400 billion.

For more information: <http://www.yuexiu.com/english/>

Upcoming events:

2016 third-quarter sales: 18 October 2016 (after the close of trading)



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