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**CMI-Leisure Management announced two promotions and two new hires as the company's fleet expands.**

The changes are to support existing clients and new customers of the **Infinity-class expedition ships**, according to **Dietmar Wertanzl**, president & CEO of CMI-Leisure Management.

### **Anne Marie Tompkins**

Anne Marie Tompkins, after serving CMI for almost 13 years, was promoted from director to VP human resources. She has vast experience implementing and managing shipboard and corporate HR operations for major cruise lines and ship management companies.

Her responsibilities include international recruitment, crew scheduling, succession planning, international regulatory compliance, HR policy and procedure implementation, employee relations, payroll administration and more.

Before CMI, Tomkins spent many years at Royal Caribbean Group in shipboard HR functions. She rose to manager of safety and quality management, responsible for preserving the effectiveness of the SQM policy and procedure manuals for fleet operations of 21 vessels.

### **Albert Kopp**

Albert Kopp, who joined CMI in March 2020, was promoted from director of shipboard administration to VP hotel operations. He will be responsible for the day-to-day hotel operation.

Kopp's career spans nearly 30 years with shipboard and shoreside experience. From 2016 to 2019, he worked with CTI Group, a cruise ship staffing company, where he streamlined their global recruitment and placement procedures. From 2005 to 2016, Kopp was with the Apollo Group, an award-winning cruise hospitality management company. His ultimate role there was senior director of shipboard administration and finance.

Starting his oceangoing career in 1993, Kopp worked in various roles, from sous chef up to hotel director and special project manager at such lines as Deilmann and Royal Caribbean.

### **Taylor Smith**

Taylor Smith, who joined CMI as VP finance, is a global finance leader with a history of building high-performing teams and driving financial and operational excellence in high-growth environments worldwide. He will oversee all functions of the company's finance, accounting and administration.

From 2016 to 2021, Smith served as VP finance and administration at CTI Group Worldwide Services. He led the global finance function for talent acquisition for all major cruise lines in CTI Group's Southeast Asia offices. Before that, Smith spent 12 years at the Accenture/Microsoft joint venture Avanade, where he helped build the global finance function in their digital and cloud services business.

## **Bertrand Petyt**

Bertrand Petyt joined in a newly created position: fleet director of hotel operations. He will oversee all hotel directors on the ships, reporting to Kopp. Petyt brings 20 years of experience in hotel operations management in both cruise and land-based hotel environments, including cruise ship start-ups and opening North American luxury hotels.

Petyt has held operational senior management positions for the Sofitel Hotels brand in the US and was corporate fleet HR manager for Regent Seven Seas Cruises before becoming business manager for V.Ships where he oversaw the recruitment, training and consulting services of V.Ships Leisure, working closely with hotels and cruise lines. Petyt also worked as hotel director on Silversea Cruises ships before rejoining V.Ships Leisure as business manager.

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