

IHG Appoints David Tessier, Senior Vice President And CFO For The Americas Region

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Based in Atlanta, Tessier will be a member of the Americas Operating Committee, working with region president Steve Porter and his senior executive team. Tessier will report to Richard Solomons, finance director, IHG in Windsor, U.K.

Tessier will lead the Americas finance organization and is responsible for the management of financial operations for all properties in North and South America. He takes over in this role from Rick Kowaleski who moves in to a global company role as senior vice president of Global Funds for IHG.

'Dave is a very experienced financial operator, and his coming on board reflects our commitment to attract the best talent in our industry to IHG," said Solomons. "I am confident he will contribute greatly toward fulfilling our global finance objectives and, in turn, support IHG in becoming the best hotel company in the world."

Tessier brings a wealth of financial and hotel experience to IHG, most recently servicing as CFO for Kerzner International Resorts, Inc. He has also held senior executive positions at other companies such as CFO of Ian Schrager Hotels in New York, and senior vice president at Hilton Hotels Corporation responsible for all of Hilton non-gaming properties and spent 17 years at Marriott International.

Tessier, a 27-year hospitality industry veteran, earned a master's degree in business administration from Nova University in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., in 1993. He earned a bachelor's degree in Accounting from Bentley College in Waltham, Mass., in 1980.

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