

Shangri-La appoints New CEO and COO

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Shangri-La Asia has appointed Madhu Rao managing director and chief executive officer of Shangri-La International Hotel Management Limited (commonly referred to as Shangri-La Hotels and Resorts) and Greg Dogan as chief operating officer.

Mr. Rao replaces Mr. Giovanni Angelini, former managing director and chief executive officer of the company, who has relinquished his responsibilities on medical grounds. Mr. Angelini remains an executive director of Shangri-La Asia Limited and a member of the executive committee of its board of directors.

Mr. Rao has more than 20 years experience with Shangri-La Hotels and Resorts, which he joined in 1988 as group financial controller. He was appointed chief financial officer of Shangri-La Asia Limited in 1997 and continues to concurrently hold that position.

Previously, he was 17 years at a leading chartered accountancy practice in Mumbai, India, responsible for the management consultancy practice of the firm, including 12 years as partner. He is a graduate in Commerce from the University of Mumbai and a fellow member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India.

In his new position, Mr. Dogan will report directly to Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer Madhu Rao. Mr. Dogan was previously regional vice president and general manager of Makati Shangri-La, Manila following a position as regional vice president based in Dalian, China.

He has held senior management posts at Shangri-La Hotel, Dalian, Shangri-La Hotel Jakarta, and Shangri-La's Mactan Resort and Spa, Cebu. Prior to joining Shangri-La in 1997, Mr. Dogan held senior managerial positions at luxury hotels in Spain, Dubai and China.

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