



## NEWS RELEASE

### **Kerzner CapitaLand's Proposed Sentosa IR Atlantis Sentosa - total investment of S\$5.28 billion**

*World's first resort to incorporate 21<sup>st</sup> century technologies and edutainment for families*

Singapore, 16 October 2006 – Kerzner CapitaLand Integrated Resorts Pte Ltd (Kerzner CapitaLand) today presented their proposal to the Singapore Government for an integrated resort with a total investment of S\$5.28 billion.

The proposed integrated resort will be named *Atlantis Sentosa*. The resort is based on unique, world-leading technologies and will incorporate many world-firsts, including utilising robotics and the next generation of interactive technologies which take the established family entertainment rides and the aquarium experience into a dimension never before created.

*Atlantis Sentosa* will leverage the great strength of the Atlantis brand, combining the unique, award-winning family entertainment concepts that Kerzner has successfully developed for its integrated resorts in The Bahamas and Dubai, and revolutionised with next-generation technology and new paradigms in edutainment.

The presentation to the Singapore Government was led by Chairman of Kerzner International Holdings Limited (Kerzner) Mr Sol Kerzner and President and CEO of CapitaLand Group (CapitaLand) Mr Liew Mun Leong. Others in the team included Kerzner executives Mr Tobin Prior, President, International Division, and Mr Paul O'Neil, Acting CEO.

#### **Architecture and Design Team**

The architecture and design team is led by principal architect and designer Mr Frank O. Gehry, named by Forbes Magazine as the world's greatest living architect. The team includes Mr Greg Lynn of Greg Lynn FORM, named by Forbes Magazine in 2005 as one of the ten most influential living architects globally and by Time Magazine as one of the 100 most innovative people in the world for the 21st century.

The team also includes Mr Peter Arnell of the Arnell Group, one of the world's most admired specialists in brand creation and holistic marketing; HKS, one of the top five architectural firms in the US; RSP Architects Planners & Engineers, one of the largest and most established practices in Singapore and South East Asia; and Schlaich Bergermann und Partner, considered world masters in structural engineering.



Also attending the meeting with the Singapore Government were Mr Jonathan Langer, Managing Director of Goldman Sachs & Co, and Mr Thomas J. Barrack Jr., Founder, Chairman and CEO of Colony Capital, LLC. Both companies are part of an investor group which includes Istithmar PJSC, Baron Capital, and The Related Companies. The Kerzner family, together with the investor group, acquired Kerzner International earlier this year resulting in the privatisation of the company.

### **About Atlantis Sentosa**

There will be a blurring of reality and the virtual, and the experience will be created by a cutting-edge technology specialist team including Professor Rodney Brooks of Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) Computer Science and Artificial Intelligence Laboratory (CSAIL), Mr Walt Conti of Edge Innovations and Ms Flavia Sparacino of Sensing Places.

Professor Brooks is one of the world's leading roboticists and is also the co-founder of iRobot, the global leader in the design and manufacture of millions of intelligent robots. He was also part of the team that built Genghis, an insect-like walking robot that became the prototype both for Sony's AIBO dog-like robot, and for NASA's Sojourner that landed on Mars in 1997.

Mr Walt Conti is the Founder of Edge Innovations, the undisputed leader in animatronics. He creates some of the world's most successful and sophisticated animatronic characters, for example, the killer whale in the movie *Free Willy*. Ms Sparacino is head of Sensing Places, a technologically advanced design firm that builds interactive narrative spaces, body-driven information spaces, and interactive art installations.

Mr Kerzner said, "This will be one of the great wonders of the world. It represents what Atlantis will be like - perhaps in the year 3000. This is what we do best – creating unique family experiences that provide continual entertainment engaging all the senses, regardless of whether this is your first or tenth visit. We have assembled the ideal team to accomplish this, leveraging complementary strengths, creativity and know-how."

"We are fully committed to the Sentosa Integrated Resort, and our commitment is underscored by our proposed investment of S\$5.28 billion. The Singapore Government has offered an exceptional opportunity to be part of a transformation that will further build tourism in Singapore and draw family visitors from around the world," he added.

Mr Liew said, "Asia is projected to be the fastest growing tourism market in the next decade. The Government's decision to develop an iconic and distinctive tourist destination at Sentosa demonstrates its foresight to differentiate Singapore from its competitors and to ensure that the country is well-positioned to benefit from this tourism boom. The Kerzner CapitaLand proposal pushes the boundaries of technology and the family leisure experience. It has been conceptualised to complement the Singapore of today and of the future.



“As Singapore’s leading international real estate company, and a partner to Kerzner, we want to contribute to Singapore’s tourism success by developing a must-see, family-oriented Asian destination. It will be a magnet for tourists globally.”

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**Gehry Partners, LLP**

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Gehry Partners, LLP is a full service architecture firm with broad international experience in museum, theatre, performance, academic and commercial projects. Founded in 1962 and located in Los Angeles, California, Gehry Partners currently has a staff of over 160 people. Every project undertaken by Gehry Partners is designed personally and directly by Frank Gehry.

The staff of Gehry Partners includes a large number of senior architects who have extensive experience in the technical development of building systems and construction documents, and who are highly qualified in the management of complex construction projects. This development and management process is aided by Digital Project, a sophisticated 3-dimensional computer modelling programme adapted from French aerospace engineering software, developed by Gehry Partners.

The work of Gehry Partners has been featured widely in national and international newspapers and magazines, and has been exhibited in major museums throughout the world. Recent and current projects include:

- Guggenheim Museum Bilbao in Bilbao, Spain
- Walt Disney Concert Hall in Los Angeles, California
- Experience Music Project in Seattle, Washington
- Millennium Park Music Pavilion and Great Lawn in Chicago, Illinois
- Team Disneyland Administration Building in Anaheim, California
- Nationale-Nederlanden Building in Prague, Czech Republic



### **Greg Lynn FORM**

*www.glform.com*

Greg Lynn FORM was established in 1994 in the US. It is at the cutting edge of design in the field of architecture when it comes to the use of computer-aided design. The projects, publications, teachings and writings associated with the office have been influential in the acceptance and use of advanced technology for design and fabrication.

Its founder, Greg Lynn, was named by Forbes magazine in 2005 as one of the 10 most influential living architects and Time Magazine named him one of 100 of the most innovative people in the world for the 21st century. He received the American Academy of Arts & Letters Architecture Award in 2003. Greg Lynn has taught and lectured around the world as the Professor of Spatial Conception and Exploration at the ETH (Swiss Federal Institute of Technology) in Zurich and as an Adjunct Assistant Professor at Columbia University. In the fall of 2002, he became a Master Professor at the "Angewandte" in Vienna, Austria. In addition, he is presently a Studio Professor at UCLA in Los Angeles and the Davenport Professor at Yale University. His architectural designs have received numerous awards and have been exhibited in both architecture and art museums, including the 2000 Venice Biennale of Architecture where his work was represented in the U.S., Austrian and Italian Pavilions.

His Korean Presbyterian Church of New York was officially listed by the NYC Landmarks Commission as one of the thirty most important buildings built in the city in the last 30 years. It was also named by the National Building Museum in Washington as one of four civic buildings that "shaped the public realm" in America along with the Getty Center, Milwaukee Art Museum and Walt Disney Concert Hall.

### **Arnell Group**

*www.arnellgroup.com*

Arnell Group is a multidisciplinary marketing and branding firm that specialises in devising innovative and distinctive solutions for branding and design challenges. Its Founder, Chairman and Chief Creative Officer is Peter Arnell, an architect and designer whose education and work in architecture and design led him into the corporate identity, graphic arts and communications field where he created the omni marks and image identity for such noted global companies as Donna Karan, DKNY, ConEdison and Samsung. He has been published extensively as an accomplished photographer and has written and directed over 300 commercial films for such clients as Chanel, Reebok and Chrysler.

Mr. Arnell has played a significant role in establishing brand platforms and marketing strategies for many leading global brands including: creating and developing the DKNY brand for Donna Karan/DKNY; repositioning Banana Republic from a niche retail boutique to the ubiquitous chain; and conceptualising, creating and launching the Rbk brand for Reebok, which spearheaded the turnaround of the company. The development of the critical "Simply Samsung" and "Everyone's Invited" platforms and campaign spearheaded the turnaround of Samsung from a little-known Korean company into the consumer electronics giant it is today.



## **HKS**

[www.hksinc.com](http://www.hksinc.com)

HKS has a 65-year history and is one of the top five architectural firms in the US. It is a leader among US architectural design firms, and is recognised for its unique ability to both create and deliver buildings of distinction through award-winning architectural, planning, structural engineering, and interior and graphic design services.

The firm, headquartered in Dallas, has offices in Atlanta, Fort Worth, Las Vegas, Los Angeles, Orange County, Orlando, Phoenix, Richmond, Salt Lake City, San Francisco, Tampa, Washington DC, Mexico City and London. Its project experience includes corporate headquarters, office buildings, healthcare facilities, sports facilities, hotels and resorts, banks, justice and aviation facilities, religious, public buildings, multi-family housing, educational facilities, retail, and industrial projects located in 650 cities located in 45 states, the District of Columbia, and 36 foreign countries.

## **RSP Architects Planners & Engineers**

[www.rsp.com.sg](http://www.rsp.com.sg)

RSP Architects Planners & Engineers (Pte) Ltd is one of the largest and most established practices in Singapore and South East Asia. Together with its own mechanical and electrical engineering and interior design subsidiaries, Squire Mech Pte Ltd and RSP Interiors Pte Ltd, it has combined staff strength of close to 800.

The RSP Group of consulting firms offers multi-disciplinary professional service in architecture, city planning, urban design, civil and structural engineering, mechanical and electrical engineering and interior design. The scope of these services includes planning, design, supervision and administration of building contracts and construction management.

RSP has offices in 10 overseas cities, namely, Kuala Lumpur, Bangalore, Hyderabad, Mumbai, Chennai, Dubai, Abu Dhabi, Beijing, Shanghai and Ho Chi Minh City. The RSP Group has worked on projects in 15 countries including Malaysia, Brunei, Indonesia, Myanmar, Philippines, Vietnam, China, India, Sri Lanka, Taiwan, Bahrain, United Arab Emirates, Saudi Arabia, Portugal, and the United Kingdom.

## **Schlaich Bergermann und Partner**

[www.sbp.de/en/fla/mittig.html](http://www.sbp.de/en/fla/mittig.html)

Founded by Jörg Schlaich and Rudolf Bergermann in 1980, Schlaich Bergermann und Partner is an independent consulting civil and structural engineering firm and a world leader in structural engineering. Many of its innovations have paved the way for future methods of design. In fact, Schlaich is credited with inventing the strut-and-tie model for reinforced concrete.

Schlaich Bergermann und Partner's work is renowned for its sophisticated engineering, individuality and attention to aesthetics, and ranges from wide-span lightweight roofs, bridges and slender towers to innovative solar energy power plants. Some of the significant projects that the company has done include the roof of the Munich Olympics Stadium and the Tin Kau Bridge in Hong Kong. They are also involved in the construction of the Freedom Tower at Ground Zero in New York as planners of the supporting framework for the 125-metre high needle.



Schlaich Bergemann und Partners are not just leaders in their field, but strong believers in social responsibility. The Hooghly Bridge in Calcutta, completed in 1992 and at that time the longest cable-stayed bridge in Asia with a span of 457 metres, was built using local materials and workforce. In addition, the company used the traditional riveting method instead of welding. Schlaich also invented the solar tower (or solar chimney).

### **Dr. Rodney Brooks**

Rodney Brooks is one of the world's leading roboticist and currently serves as Director of MIT's Computer Science & Artificial Intelligence Laboratory ([www.csail.mit.edu](http://www.csail.mit.edu)) and the Panasonic Professor of Robotics. Dr. Brooks is also the Co-founder and Chief Technology Officer and Executive Board Member of iRobot Corporation the world's only pure-play and publicly traded robotics company (NASDAQ: IRBT, [www.irobot.com](http://www.irobot.com)). Earlier this decade, he was a General Partner in Robotics Ventures, a successful robotics venture capital fund.

Dr. Brooks has devoted his life to building intelligent robots and his ultimate goal is to build a living machine. Along with Colin Angle, now CEO of iRobot, he built Genghis, an insect-like walking robot that became the prototype both for Sony's AIBO dog-like robot, and for NASA's Sojourner that landed on Mars in 1997.

Dr Brooks is a member of the steering committee of the World Wide Web Consortium, a group of over 300 companies that together with the staff of CSAIL set the standards (such as HTML) under which the Web operates. The inventor of the World Wide Web, Sir Timothy Berners-Lee is a member of CSAIL and reports directly to Dr. Brooks.

Dr Brooks is also a member of the National Academy of Engineering and a founding fellow of the American Association of Artificial Intelligence. He is also a fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science and of the Association for Computing Machinery, as well as a corresponding member of the Australian Academy of Science. He was the recipient of a Computers and Thought Award at the 1991 International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence.

In his role as the Co-founder and Chief Technology Officer of iRobot Corporation, Dr. Brooks is one of the main architects of innovative robots, including the development of the iRobot PackBot® Tactical Mobile Robots for military use in the US. It is a tier one participant in the US Army's Future Combat System programme - currently budgeted at US\$165 billion over the next decade. It is the only tier one company that is not already a large-scale defence contractor.

### **Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) Computer Science and Artificial Intelligence Laboratory (CSAIL)** *[www.csail.mit.edu](http://www.csail.mit.edu)*

The MIT Computer Science and Artificial Intelligence Laboratory is one of the world's top research centres for computer science, electrical engineering, and artificial intelligence. Its research activities span robotics, hardware and software computational systems, computer language, learning, and vision, as well as computational models of physical, biological, and social systems. The CSAIL has 93 Principal Investigators and over 400 ongoing research projects



### **Walt Conti / Edge Innovations**

*www.edgefx.com*

Edge Innovations is the undisputed world leader in creating hyper-realistic, aquatic-based robotic characters, and has worked extensively in the Film, Television, and Theme Park industries.

Its founder, Walt Conti, has inspired and led his talented team in the design and creation of some of the world's most successful and sophisticated animatronic characters ever built. From its inception in 1991, Edge has been combining world-class engineering, design, artistry, and the study of animal behaviour to create characters that have entertained millions of people throughout the world.

Over the past 15 years, Edge Innovations has developed unique and proprietary technologies that have enabled the company to create complex, yet reliable, robotic systems that can operate in harsh environments and in close proximity to guests. Some of these systems have been operating continuously 12hours/day over tens of millions of cycles.

Walt and Edge Innovations have been featured numerous times in both the print and television media, including NBC Dateline, CNET, Entertainment Tonight, Time Magazine, Fortune, Der Spiegel, Wired, Premiere, LA and NY Times, and National Public Radio. Walt was named one of the top 100 people in entertainment (Entertainment Weekly 1998), and was selected "CEO of the week" by Silicon Valley Business.

### **Sensing Places**

*www.sensingplaces.com*

Founded in 2002 by Ms Flavia Sparacino, Ph.D., this company is a spin-off from the prestigious Massachusetts Institute of Technology, where Sparacino conducted research in real-time body tracking and interactive cinema for seven years and also licensed 13 inventions for various interactive entertainment devices and technologies.

Sensing Places is a technologically advanced design firm that builds interactive narrative spaces, body-driven information spaces, and interactive art installations. These spaces are orchestrated so that the physical presence/motion of people drives the presentation of digital media projected on large screens and innovative media displays and/or streamed to portable devices such as phones and PDAs. The company has also developed in-house state-of-the-art dedicated authoring techniques for sensor-driven multimedia.

### **Kerzner International Holdings Limited**

*www.kerzner.com*

Kerzner International Holdings Limited ("KIHL"), through its subsidiaries, is a leading international developer and operator of destination resorts, casinos and luxury hotels. KIHL's flagship brand is Atlantis, which includes Atlantis, Paradise Island, a 2,317-room, ocean-themed destination resort located on Paradise Island, The Bahamas - a unique property featuring three interconnected hotel towers built around a seven-acre lagoon and a 34-acre marine environment that includes the world's largest open-air marine habitat. The resort is also home to the largest casino in the Caribbean.



Development of a major expansion on Paradise Island is currently underway and will include a 600-room, all-suite luxury hotel and a significant enhancement of Atlantis, Paradise Island's water-based attractions. Certain parts of this expansion have already opened, including the Marina Village at Atlantis, with the remaining elements expected to open by the second quarter of 2007. Visit the Atlantis, Paradise Island website at [www.atlantis.com](http://www.atlantis.com)

KIHL is extending its Atlantis brand globally with the development of Atlantis, The Palm, Dubai, an approximately 1,500-room, water-themed resort expected to open in late 2008, currently being constructed on The Palm, Jumeirah, a multi-billion dollar leisure and residential development in Dubai.

In its gaming segment, KIHL developed and receives certain income derived from Mohegan Sun in Uncasville, Connecticut, which has become one of the premier casino destinations in the United States. KIHL is also a 37.5% owner of BLB Investors, L.L.C., which owns Lincoln Park in Rhode Island and pari-mutuel racing facilities in Colorado. In the U.K., KIHL is currently developing a casino in Northampton and received a Certificate of Consent from the U.K. Gaming Board in 2004.

In its luxury resort hotel business, KIHL manages ten resort hotels primarily under the One&Only brand. The resorts, featuring some of the top-rated properties in the world, are located in The Bahamas, Mexico, Mauritius, the Maldives and Dubai. An additional One&Only property is currently in the planning stages in South Africa.

#### **CapitaLand**

*[www.capitaland.com](http://www.capitaland.com)*

CapitaLand is one of the largest listed real estate companies in Asia. Headquartered in Singapore, the multinational company's core businesses in property, hospitality and real estate financial services are focused in gateway cities in Asia Pacific, Europe and the Middle East.

The company's property and hospitality portfolio spans more than 80 cities in nearly 20 countries. CapitaLand also leverages on its significant real estate asset base and market knowledge to develop real estate financial products and services in Singapore and the region.

The listed subsidiaries and associates of CapitaLand include The Ascott Group, Raffles Holdings, CapitaMall Trust, CapitaCommercial Trust, Ascott Residence Trust and Australand, which is listed both in Singapore and Australia.