Travelport Joins Global Travel & Tourism Partnership Supporting Global Education In Travel & Tourism Industry

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WEST CHESTER, Pa., and ATLANTA, Sept. 6, 2012 / -- Travelport, the business services provider to the global travel industry and Global Travel & Tourism Partnership (GTTP), a multi-country educational program introducing students to career opportunities within the travel and tourism industry, today announce:

- a strategic partnership to support global education in Travel and Tourism.
- the appointments of Gordon Wilson, President and CEO, Travelport and Dirk Vande Beek, senior vice president, Corporate and Government Affairs, Travelport, to the GTTP Advisory Board with immediate effect.

"Travelport is delighted to partner with GTTP to introduce students to career opportunities within the travel and tourism industry," said Gordon Wilson, Travelport.

"As a worldwide provider of travel services, we recognize that in order to support the continued growth of the travel sector and its critical role in the global economy, it is vital to expose students, their parents and their teachers to the industry. Through this partnership, we can encourage students to look at the industry as a source of worthwhile and rewarding careers."

To date, more than 1.5 million students in twelve countries have benefitted from the GTTP program, with school systems providing teachers and classrooms and companies providing financial and in-kind support.