

## **Striving for excellence, Travelport's Galileo introduces 'Student of the Year' contest to encourage GDS students**

- *Associated with over 90 travel academies for imparting training on Travelport's Galileo platform*
- *Program encourages students to reach high standards of excellence*

**New Delhi, 25<sup>th</sup> May 2015** – Travelport Galileo, a world-leading travel commerce platform providing distribution, technology, payment and other solutions for the global travel and tourism industry, today organized its second '*Student of the Year*' contest. The contest aimed at creating talent for the travel industry and encouraging academy students to reach standards of high excellence in the Travel and Tourism space. Targeted at for students from travel institutes, the selection process was started on 01 March, while the final round took place at the Ibis Hotel at Aerocity, New Delhi this morning.

The contest is aimed at testing the travel quotient of students, striving for excellence and targeting at creating a talent pool for the industry. Benefiting students who were keen to pursue a career in the travel and tourism space, the selection process for the Student of the Year program was open to all travel institutes associated with ITQ the selection process beginning on 01 March 2015 had over 80 students participating. In an online evaluation. Selected candidates from each institute underwent numerous elimination rounds, thus permitting the panel of experts to shortlist the top 5 students for the final round. Each of the 5 finalists underwent a presentation and Personal Interaction session with the respected panel of judges', after which one student finally claimed the 'Student of the Year' title.

**Applauding the winner, on the occasion, Mr. Anil Parashar, President & CEO, InterGlobe Technology Quotient Pvt. Ltd.** said, "We are very pleased to have this event for the second year running. We wish to create a platform for these students wherein they can showcase their mettle. We would like to expand this for travel industry by creating a talent pool which can benefit all. The travel industry is growing and so is the enthusiasm of travelers at being more educated about their travel, therefore the need of the hour is to have well qualified professionals serving them."

**Mr. Sandeep Dwivedi, Chief Commercial Officer, InterGlobe Technology Quotient** said, "We are extremely delighted that we had more than 80 students who participated in this year's student of the year program. The objective of this program is to provide skill sets and knowledge base to students who are keen to be part of the travel industry. By undertaking this venture we are enabling them to be a part of travel industry and broaden their horizon."

In association with over 90 travel academies, Travelport Galileo imparts training through theory cum interactive modules, such as *Galileo Basic GDS course* and *Automated Ticketing course* which consists of text data, examples, case studies and practical exercises for students.

### **About InterGlobe Technology Quotient ([www.itq.in](http://www.itq.in))**

InterGlobe Technology Quotient (ITQ), is a strategic business unit of InterGlobe Enterprises, a leader in aviation, hospitality and travel related services. InterGlobe Technology Quotient (ITQ), is the official distributor of Travelport in India & Sri Lanka and Worldspan platform, through Calleo Distribution Technologies Pvt. Ltd. in 5 markets across the Asia Pacific region. With its corporate headquarters in Gurgaon, ITQ provides cutting edge travel technology solutions with unmatched inventory options to its customers helping them increase their productivity and business efficiency. With an extended network over 500 cities with 23 dedicated offices InterGlobe Technology Quotient reaches out to over 12,500 agency locations, has a nationalised service centre and 13 training centres with state-of-the-art infrastructure and facilities matching international standards.

### **About Travelport**

Travelport is a Travel Commerce Platform providing distribution, technology, payment and other solutions for the \$8 trillion global travel and tourism industry. With a presence in over 170 countries, approximately 3,400 employees and 2014 net revenue of over \$2.1 billion, Travelport is comprised of:

- A Travel Commerce Platform through which it facilitates travel commerce by connecting the world's leading travel providers with online and offline travel buyers in a proprietary business to business ("B2B") travel marketplace. In addition, Travelport has leveraged its domain expertise in the travel industry to design a pioneering B2B payment solution that addresses the needs of travel intermediaries to efficiently and securely settle travel transactions.
- Technology Services through which it provides critical IT services to airlines, such as shopping, ticketing, departure control and other solutions, enabling them to focus on their core business competencies and reduce costs.

Travelport is headquartered in Langley, UK. The company recently completed its initial public offering on the New York Stock Exchange and trades under the symbol "TVPT".

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