

CWT Names Todd Kramer Vice President CWT Events EMEA

May 18, 2006 -- Carlson Wagonlit Travel (CWT), a world leader in business travel management, today announced the appointment of Todd Kramer as vice president CWT Events EMEA (Europe, Middle East and Africa).

In his new position, Kramer is responsible for developing and coordinating CWT's events business in the region. Based at CWT's global headquarters in Paris, he reports to Marino Faccini, who is both executive vice president of CWT's Mediterranean zone and responsible for the company's Meetings, Incentives, Conventions and Exhibitions (MICE) strategy for EMEA.

Commenting on Kramer's appointment, Faccini said, "Todd brings a wealth of industry knowledge and technological know-how to CWT. His experience will be a great asset to us as the events business becomes increasingly complex with procurement and technology playing an essential role."

Kramer has worked in the technology industry for more than 20 years. Before joining CWT, he was president of Kramer Consultants, where he helped travel-related companies research, define, build and execute sales and marketing strategies and global expansion plans. His clients included hotel management companies selling their services via the Internet, meetings management organizations, and meeting technology companies.

Kramer, who is an American national, started working in Europe in 1987 as customer service and marketing manager for Data General. After rising to sales and marketing director Europe, he moved to Compaq as general manager for the Middle East and Africa. In 1996, he joined Mega International (a Gemini Consulting subsidiary) as president and member of the board of directors. In 1999, he became vice president of international business development at e-Travel (a division of Amadeus), where he was responsible for both the SAP and Oracle global partnerships.

Kramer has a Bachelor of Arts degree in philosophy from the University of Colorado and an MBA from Thunderbird – The Garvin School of International Management.

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