



PRESS RELEASE

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AFTA announces national relationship with DFK Australia New Zealand a national accounting and business advisory company.

AFTA is pleased to announce a new relationship with DFK, which is a national accounting firm with travel industry experience.

DFK will contribute on a monthly basis to the member's newsletter with relevant and interesting articles around accounting concepts and ideas for travel agency owners.

Furthermore they may be a good reference point for AFTA members who wish to speak to an accounting firm with relevant travel and TCF experience.

As a national firm, DFK has every state covered and will be able to provide assistance and advice to members in their home state.

"With the pending changes to the TCF structure and implementation of the AFTA Accreditation Scheme, having an accounting firm on call will be important for all agency owners" said Jayson Westbury Chief Executive.

"DFK was appointed to be the Auditor for AFTA for the 2013 year and we have built an excellent relationship with the firm, now DFK have taken this relationship national" said Westbury

While calls and enquires to DFK will be at a cost to the member, importantly DFK will be included in briefing sessions to assist members who may not have all the advice they currently need as the transitional arrangements are implemented to the way travel agencies are regulated.

"DFK Australia New Zealand has worked closely in a consulting capacity with IATA for many years. DFK is also on the list of preferred auditors of the TCF (Travel Compensation fund) , " tells Steven Heller, Partner of DFK Australia New Zealand.

"Because of our wide experience in the travel industry, a member firm of DFK has recently been appointed auditor of AFTA," says Steven Heller.

“DFK is looking forward to increasing and deepening our relationship with AFTA for other accounting and business services Australia wide,” says Chris Coulton, Chairman of DFK Australia New Zealand.

“We look forward to the monthly contribution to our members newsletter provided by DFK and no doubt members will be able to access the range of services provided by DFK should they choose to” said Westbury

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Picture of Steven Heller – Partner DFK and Jayson Westbury Ceo AFTA

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Notes to Editors:

The Australia Federation of Travel Agents (AFTA) is the peak body in Australia representing the retail travel industry. Founded in 1957, AFTA represents the majority of travel agents in Australia and includes all of the major travel agency groups.

AFTA’s role is to uphold the interests of members in matters relating to the operation of all travel agencies in Australia. In broad terms these issues are ones that are not addressed by agent chain or corporate entities on behalf of their members, and are ones that involve the industry as a whole.

Further information about AFTA can be found at www.afta.com.au