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MCI EXPANDS GLOBAL REACH, BY OPENING AMSTERDAM, BUENOS AIRES AND TOKYO OFFICES.

Geneva, Switzerland - MCI, the leading global association, communications and event management company announced today the opening of 3 new offices in 3 countries on 3 continents, bringing the total number of MCI offices to 25 offices in 18 countries.

The opening of the Amsterdam and Buenos Aires offices are the result of a merger with International Conference Services BV in Amsterdam and Congresos Internacionales in Buenos Aires with two other offices throughout Argentina. Jorge and Mariano Castex, who run these two companies, will remain active partners after the merger. These new offices will bring 44 new staff members to MCI, taking the total number of staff to 750.

‘We are very proud to welcome Jorge and Mariano Castex as partners of MCI’, says Roger Tondeur, MCI President. ‘Together with our new offices in Buenos Aires and Tokyo, we will be able to serve clients around the world.’

In 2008, both the Argentinean and Dutch operations will be fully integrated and re-branded into MCI. Jerry Gaspersz from International Conference Services BV will stay managing director of the MCI Amsterdam office and work closely with the MCI Brussels office to form the Benelux region.

‘With our headquarters in Buenos Aires it is critical for our company to have a strong international network. Becoming part of MCI is a natural step for us as we have been friends and worked together for a long time’, says Jorge Castex, ‘We believe that becoming part of the leading company in our industry offers excellent opportunities to our staff and clients.’

MCI also announced the opening of its Tokyo office, in a joint-venture with Japan Convention Services, Inc. (JCS). This office will be fully operational in July of this year, with the official opening foreseen in September.

‘Several of our clients are interested in increasing their activities in Japan and have asked MCI to establish an office. We expect to announce a major contract with a global IT company and several associations, who want to establish a presence in Japan’, says Robin Lokerman, President MCI Asia Pacific, ‘We have chosen the joint-venture approach in Japan, as we believe the strong national presence of JCS, coupled with the global brand and reach of MCI, brings the best value to our clients.’

JCS is the leading PCO company in Japan with 200 staff in 12 offices throughout the country. The MCI Tokyo Office will be based at the JCS offices and benefit from shared resources and infrastructure.

MCI's business plan calls to become the leading association, communications & event management company in the world with offices in all major markets. MCI's development in Asia started with the opening of the Singapore office in 2005, followed by Dubai and Shanghai in 2006 and Abu Dhabi and Mumbai in 2007. Together with these new offices in Amsterdam, Buenos Aires, and Tokyo, means that MCI is now able to support our clients around the world.

About MCI

Founded in 1987 and with offices in Abu Dhabi, Amsterdam, Barcelona, Belfast, Berlin, Brussels, Buenos Aires, Dublin, Dubai, Geneva, Gothenburg, Lyon, Madrid, Mumbai, Paris, Petersfield/London, Prague, Rome, Shanghai, Singapore, Stockholm, Stuttgart, Tokyo, Vienna and Zurich, MCI is the foremost global association, communications and event management company. MCI are thought-leaders in building community around brands, products and services for companies and institutions. MCI employs close to 750 people and its budget under management by year-end 2007, was 181 M€
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