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**RADISSON HOTEL TO OPEN IN TIANJIN'S NEW FINANCIAL DISTRICT**

**TIANJIN, CHINA – 2 April, 2009** – Radisson® Hotels & Resorts, one of the world's leading upscale, full-service hotel brands, will open its doors for business in China's third largest city, Tianjin this month. The 270-room Radisson Plaza Hotel Tianjin, a premium extension of the Radisson brand, is a joint investment between Tianjin Urban Construction Group and First Eastern Investment Group (Hong Kong). The hotel is operated by Carlson Hotels Worldwide, one of the world's leading hotel companies.

Situated on Xinkai Road, to the West of Tianjin Railway Station and East of Tianjin Airport, Radisson Plaza Hotel Tianjin is located in the new financial hub of Hedong District, close to Tianjin's Central Business District, the Tianjin Economic Development Area, the Binhai New Area, as well as many tourist sites and shopping malls. The city of Tianjin is also 29 minutes from Beijing by bullet train.

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“There are currently five Radisson properties in China, and as we continue to expand our presence in the China market, we are pleased to introduce the premium Radisson Plaza brand to Tianjin. Radisson Plaza Hotel Tianjin will be the first of six new Radisson properties in China,” said Jean-Marc Busato, managing director – Asia Pacific, Carlson Hotels Worldwide.

“The 23-storey high-rise building, with its unique, iconic design and architectural style, is expected to become a landmark destination for visitors and a symbol of Tianjin’s transformation into a thriving financial centre for business travellers from around the world,” he added.

Radisson Plaza Hotel Tianjin will be the latest addition to Tianjin’s rapidly developing hotel industry and will offer high-quality urban living and facilities to guests. These include a spa, a health club, an indoor heated swimming pool, complimentary high speed internet access in guest rooms and function rooms, as well as extensive conference and meeting facilities.

“An increasing number of foreign companies are moving into the Hedong District, as part of the city’s strategy to shift its economic centre further east. This hotel will provide Tianjin with a fresh, modern design and give a boost to the city’s new financial hub,” said Kjell Rognoy, general manager, Radisson Plaza Hotel Tianjin.

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The hotel will have panoramic views of downtown Tianjin, three executive floors, as well as an executive lounge occupying the entire 23<sup>rd</sup> floor of the hotel. Its signature restaurant, Kushi, is an Asian Grill inspired by a Japanese Robatayaki, and will offer a mix of Western and Asian meat and seafood dishes. The hotel will also have an all day dining restaurant, Cafe@66, which offers European Brasserie style buffet and à la carte service. The China Station Chinese restaurant specialises in Northern Chinese cuisine, while 'Purple' one of the city's trendiest cocktail bars will be the place to be, and the place to be seen at. Set beside the hotel lobby, Lounge@66 will be the perfect place for a relaxing afternoon tea, or an aperitif before dinner, with Happy Hour promotions a popular daily feature at the lounge.

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