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MEDIA RELEASE

Sheraton Grande Laguna Phuket Tops the Travel Polls Awarded as a Top Conference Hotel for Asia by Smart Travel Asia

Phuket, Thailand –1st September 2009 – Sheraton Grande Laguna, a Luxury Collection Resort, Phuket has been awarded a Top Conference Hotel for Asia by Smart Travel Asia Poll.

"We are delighted to have received this award for the third year running. Maintaining this level of recognition within the conference and meetings industry is an exceptional achievement for the resort", Jan Kirstein, General Manager, Sheraton Grande Laguna commented.

The only hotel in Phuket to receive this award, Sheraton Grande Laguna Phuket distinguishes itself by creating unforgettable experiences, tailored to individual requirements on the sparkling beachfront, captivating lagoon, tropical gardens or imaginative off site locations.

Surrounded by tranquil lagoons and facing the Andaman Sea, the resort offers 423 luxuriously-appointed rooms and villas, 8 dining and entertainment outlets, an award-winning 18 hole golf course, on-site corporate teambuilding, exciting water sports and a luxurious spa. A 20-minute drive from Phuket's International Airport, the resort is part of Laguna Phuket, Asia's finest destination resort.

For successful conferences and meetings, Sheraton Grande Laguna Phuket has a total of 6 private rooms with capacities ranging from 60 to 400 guests, while an air-conditioned marquee offers seating for up to 1,000. All events are directed by a dedicated team of on-site professionals.

For the perfect event please contact Event Sales on eventsales.phuket@luxurycollection.com, call the hotel directly on +66 76 324 101 or visit luxurycollection.com/phuket

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