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## **FOUR POINTS BY SHERATON, MELBOURNE DOCKLANDS NOW OPEN FOR BUSINESS**

**Melbourne, Australia – 28 March, 2017** – Four Points by Sheraton Melbourne Docklands, part of Four Points by Sheraton and Marriott International, has opened to guests, offering uncomplicated comfort, smart styling and the height of modern convenience at the business end of Australia’s most cultural and creative city.

Four Points by Sheraton Melbourne Docklands forms part of the new Marina Tower development and is the first international hotel in the busy Docklands area, offering the largest inventory of guest rooms and meeting space in the precinct.

Set amongst Docklands growing business district and famous sporting and family attractions including Etihad Stadium and Melbourne Star Observation Wheel, Melbourne City’s free tram network stops right outside the hotel’s front door - placing dining, nightlight culture as well as the iconic laneways, markets, boutiques, theatres and galleries within easy reach.

Designed by Melbourne-based DKO Architecture, the contemporary aesthetic fuses a dark charcoal palette with blonde timber, bleached grey-wood panelling, abundant marble and glass, fresh greenery and deeper notes of black and bronze. The resulting ambience is sleek, solid and welcoming.

City or river views are on offer from each of the 273 modern and comfortable guest rooms, including 16 larger studio rooms. Guests will enjoy all of Four Points’ defining touches, including free bottled water in all rooms, the refreshing Rainforest shower, a 42” flat screen TV with comprehensive selection of cable channels, the Four Points signature bed and fast and free Internet access throughout the property.

With over 500sqm of function space, the hotel can welcome up to 200 guests for conferences and meetings, weddings and social functions. All function rooms are equipped with Wi-Fi and professional AV facilities, allow flexible configurations and diverse catering or business support services. The room options span between private, first-floor meeting rooms and banquet function space to the impressive 7<sup>th</sup> floor Sky Lounge - which includes a spacious bar and lounge area, breakout boardrooms and outdoor decking perfect for event drinks and cocktail parties with a dynamic city view.

The Sky Lounge flanks the hotel’s 25-metre heated outdoor pool and jacuzzi, a sparkling centrepiece that provides an azure backdrop for functions and equally amenable for guests wishing to take a dip overlooking the Docklands. Sky Lounge amenities also feature a 24-hour fitness centre and steam room. With floor-to-ceiling windows and accompanying views, the gym offers guests a flood of natural light for their workouts.

Complimentary, energising breakfast with fresh coffee is served to guests each morning, while Dock 18 - the relaxed all-day dining restaurant – extends a menu that heralds grain and grass fed beef, pork and lamb sourced from nearby farms for an ever changing line up of BBQ'd, braised, cured, smoked and grilled dishes that are flavourful, fresh and seasonal.

The Best Brews lounge bar is the perfect spot for colleagues, friends or family to gather over a local beer as part of the Four Points Best Brews program, which offers a selection of local and international wines, boutique ciders and brews. The Melbourne range features a range of craft beers from Mountain Goat brewery in nearby Richmond through to Japan's famous Asahi brewery.

"We're excited to open the doors on our new property that's been very carefully planned, designed and built to create a warm welcome to both business and leisure guests and bring Four Points hospitality to this part of the city," says Stephen Ferrigno, General Manager of Four Points by Sheraton, Melbourne Docklands.

To celebrate its opening Four Points by Sheraton, Melbourne Docklands is offering a special rate starting from **\$199 per night for stays between 28 March and 28 September, 2017**, subject to availability. Buffet breakfast for two, High Speed Internet Access, complimentary access to the fitness centre, pool and spa and double SPG Starpoints are included.

For more information visit [www.fourpointsmelbournedocklands.com](http://www.fourpointsmelbournedocklands.com).

#### **EDITOR'S NOTE**

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