

## Hilton Garden Inn Arrives in Zambia

Hilton Garden Inn Lusaka Society Business Park Opens as the First Hilton Branded Property in the Country

### **PRESS RELEASE**

**LUSAKA, ZAMBIA and MCLEAN, Va. – 7 August 2018 –** Lusaka, the capital of Zambia, has officially welcomed Hilton Garden Inn, the award-winning midscale brand by <u>Hilton</u> (NYSE: HLT). The hotel is the second Hilton Garden Inn property to open in Sub-Saharan Africa this year, and joins 42 existing Hilton properties in Africa.

Hilton Garden Inn Lusaka Society Business Park is the latest addition in the recently refurbished mixed-use development Society Business Park (SBP), offering leisure and business traveller alike access to Hilton's renowned hospitality in the capital. The hotel is located in the heart of the city with up to four shopping malls within a five-kilometre radius and is just a 30-minute drive away from Kenneth Kaunda International Airport.

Zambia is one of southern Africa's hidden gems and has long been favoured for its beautiful views, friendly locals and diversity. This is testament to the positive effects travel and tourism has had on the country's economy, which is forecasted to increase by 6.5% to ZMW7.9bn in 2018, up from ZMW7.4bn in 2017.

Hilton Garden Inn Lusaka Society Business Park offers guests access to 148 guest rooms with panoramic city views, including four junior suites with kitchenettes located on the 18<sup>th</sup> floor. The hotel also has an all-day dining restaurant – Garden Grille – for those looking to start their day with a hearty breakfast or indulge in various international cuisines in the evening. After a day exploring the city, guests can head over to the hotel's bar and lounge, which is perfect for relaxing, catching up on emails or having a quick bite to eat.

"We are delighted to be opening the first Hilton Garden Inn property in Zambia," said Kudzayi Nheweyembwa, general manager. "We are in close proximity to numerous restaurants, shops and offices so both leisure and business travellers will be met with a stay tailored to their needs and we look forward to welcoming them with our bright and happy service."

The hotel also boasts contemporary indoor and outdoor spaces, including 150 square metres of banqueting space and pre-function areas, making it the ideal space to host events and special occasions. Business travellers can also take advantage of the hotel's meeting spaces, with state of the art 12 seater board rooms with built in flat screen TVs. Guests can unwind at the outdoor pool, whilst soaking in sunset views of the city's skyline or re-energise at the 24-hour fitness centre.

In order to receive instant benefits including lowest price available online, digital check in, Digital Key, free Wi-Fi and Hilton Honors points towards free nights, guests are encouraged to book direct and join <u>Hilton Honors</u>®.

For further information about the hotel contact Kudzayi Nheweyembwa at <u>Kudzayi.Nheweyembwa@hilton.com</u>. To download images and videos, and for more information, visit the <u>Hilton Garden Inn Media Center.</u>

# HILTON GARDEN INN LUSAKA SOCIETY BUSINESS PARK HIGHLIGHTS

- Conveniently located a 30-minute drive away from Kenneth Kaunda International Airport
- Located in the heart of the city and near four shopping malls, Lusaka National Museum and Kabwata Cultural Village, Lusaka National Park and Lilayi Elephant Nursery
- Large indoor and outdoor banquet space, offering stunning views and modern facilities across five segmented areas
- Leisure facilities, including outdoor swimming pool



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Zambia Tourism (2018). Retrieved from <a href="https://www.zambiatourism.com/">https://www.zambiatourism.com/</a>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> World Travel & Tourism Council (2017). *Travel and Tourism Economic Impact 2017 Zambia* <a href="https://www.wttc.org/-/media/files/reports/economic-impact-research/countries-2017/zambia2017.pdf">https://www.wttc.org/-/media/files/reports/economic-impact-research/countries-2017/zambia2017.pdf</a>



- Guest laundry facilities
- o 24/7 business centre, gym, and lobby convenience store
- Complimentary Wi-Fi throughout the hotel







#### **GUESTROOMS**

- O 148 comfortable rooms, including 17 premium rooms with floor to ceiling windows, 48 twin rooms, 16 interconnecting rooms and four junior suites
- O Panoramic city view rooms
- Modern facilities including complimentary guest laundry facility, purified tap water and an ergonomic desk chair
- 40-inch LCD TV and ergonomic furnishings

#### **DINING & LEISURE**

- Garden Grille all day dining restaurant, offering a delicious breakfast buffet
- Bar and lounge offering a range of alcoholic beverages and quick bites
- The Convenience Shop offers guests a range of beverages and snacks
- Swimming pool and a 24/7 gym

#### **BUSINESS & EVENTS**

- O Over 150 square meters of banquet space, with the capacity to hold more than 70 people
- O State of the art 24/7 business centre offering a wide range of services and facilities
- Complimentary Wi-Fi, printing facilities, copier and fax

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#### **About Hilton Garden Inn**

The award-winning Hilton Garden Inn brand provides business and leisure guests upscale, yet affordable accommodations and modern amenities for a comfortable stay. The Hilton Garden Inn Promise affirms the brand's goal to make each Guest's stay better and brighter. Guaranteed. Team Members at nearly 790 hotels in 38 countries around the world ensure today's busy travelers have a bright and satisfying experience, starting with the first hello. As a recognized F&B leader, Hilton Garden Inn serves locally sourced food and beverage at its full-service restaurants and bars, featuring everything from cooked-to-order breakfast, handcrafted cocktails, and on-trend small plates. Hilton Honors members who book directly through preferred Hilton channels have access information instant benefits. For more about Hilton Garden Inn. visit www.hgi.com or newsroom.hilton.com/hgi, and connect on Facebook, Twitter, YouTube. and Instagram.

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