

## Press Release

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# WebBeds launches interactive 'travel restrictions' tool for global travel trade.

- Tool will assist the travel trade advise travellers on origin/destination travel restrictions, quarantine and health documentation requirements
- Tool available in English, French, German, Spanish and Arabic with Japanese, Korean and Simplified Chinese coming soon

WebBeds, the world's second largest and fastest-growing B2B bedbank (comprised of Destinations of the World, FIT Ruums, Jactravel, Lots of Hotels, Sunhotels and Totalstay trading platforms) has launched a new interactive tool to help travel trade clients access the latest travel restrictions regarding COVID-19.

The tool is powered by Sherpa and consolidates information from thousands of official data sources to display international travel restrictions for over 180 countries and domestic travel restrictions for the USA, UK, Canada and Australia. The tool is available for WebBeds clients in English, French, German, Spanish and Arabic with Japanese, Korean and Simplified Chinese to be added in early July.

The user experience is very simple. By inputting the origin, destination (country, city, or airport) and departure date, the tool generates a comprehensive list of the inbound and outbound travel restrictions and requirements as well as rules for quarantine, masks/PPE, testing, and health documents. This information also includes links to official sites for governments, regional authorities, and health bodies.

Daryl Lee, WebBeds CEO, said in a statement "As part of our ongoing Transformation Strategy, that includes providing travel trade clients with an enhanced booking experience, we are pleased to offer this tool to help clients save time and reinforce their credentials as trusted travel experts. This simple tool provides a fast and easy reference point to help clients negotiate the evolving landscape of travel restrictions worldwide."

The tool is available to WebBeds clients via the trading platforms; Destinations of the World, FIT Ruums, Lots of Hotels, Sunhotels and totalstay. The <u>tool</u> is also available on webbeds.com

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#### **About WebBeds**

Launched in 2013, WebBeds is the world's fastest growing B2B travel intermediary, or 'bedbank', providing accommodation and ground product distribution services to the travel industry. We source content from travel suppliers, aggregate and merchandise that content in the WebBeds platform, then distribute it to our global network of travel trade clients, who sell to the traveling public.

**Our clients** – online travel agencies, retail travel agents, corporate travel managers, tour operators, wholesalers, tourism boards, super apps, DMC's, group providers, airlines and more – access the company's huge global inventory of more than 368,000 hotels (comprising 30,000+ direct contracts, 70+ integrated third-party providers and 60+ major hotel chains) through market-leading, trade-only booking websites or via simple and seamless API connectivity. In addition to hotel product, clients can also book over 5,500 transfer services in 1,200 destinations along with thousands of guided excursions and tickets for attractions.

**Our supplier partners** – global hotel chains, independent hotels, apartments, resorts, attractions, transfer and sightseeing companies and more – benefit from our global distribution network of over 44,000 travel companies in more than 145 source markets and are supported by a local dedicated point of contact focused on ensuring we deliver value, choice, expertise and an unrivalled level of service.

WebBeds operates global coverage through four geographic regions – Europe, Asia Pacific, MEA (Middle East and Africa) and America - with over 1,600 travel professionals working in 50 offices worldwide. WebBeds also operates specialist brands JacTravel DMC and Umrah Holidays International. JacTravel DMC provides tailormade travel arrangements for FIT and groups of all sizes covering leisure, special interest and education. Umrah Holidays International is a genuine pioneer, providing online pilgrimage travel services to travel agencies worldwide.

Find out more about the WebBeds business at <u>www.webbeds.com</u>

WebBeds is a division of Webjet Limited (ASX: WEB).

### **About Webjet Limited**

Webjet Limited (ASX: WEB) is an ASX 200 listed company operating a digital travel business spanning both wholesale markets (through B2B) and consumer (through B2C).

The B2B travel business, WebBeds, is the world's second largest and fastest growing accommodation supplier in the wholesale travel market. It operates global coverage through four regional divisions - Europe, Asia Pacific, MEA (Middle East and Africa) and America. The B2C travel business operates Webjet, the market leading OTA brand in Australia and New Zealand, and Online Republic, which specialises in the provision of online car and motorhome bookings.

Find out more about Webjet Limited at: www.webjetlimited.com

#### **About Sherpa**

Founded in 2015 by Max Tremaine and Ivan Sharko, sherpa<sup>°</sup> is the leading global provider of travel rules and documentation for the travel industry. Sherpa<sup>°</sup>s vision is to provide every traveller with the information they need and documentation they require to move confidently and securely across borders. Headquartered in Toronto, Canada, sherpa<sup>°</sup> partners with the world's leading travel providers in over 50 countries and is trusted by brands such as American Airlines, WebBeds, Expedia, TripActions, Icelandair, LATAM, Flynas and CWT. Sherpa<sup>°</sup> is backed by True Ventures, Narrative Fund, Relay Ventures, Globalive Capital, N49P, TSVC, Golden Ventures, Plug and Play Ventures, Stuart MacDonald, and LP Maurice. To learn more, visit <a href="https://www.joinsherpa.com/">https://www.joinsherpa.com/</a>

