

## **Position Description**

Job Tile:	Regional Manager Northeast and Canada
Reporting to:	Regional Director East Coast and Canada
Department:	Contracting
Location (primary):	Home Based

## **Job Purpose**

The Regional Manager Northeast and Canada will be responsible for coordinating a team of Contracting Managers in Canada and Northeast USA, ensuring the accomplishment of the KPI targets set by the company for the regions allocated. To achieve the target number and mix of hotels, with the correct prices and availability, as defined by the Director of Purchasing. Experience working with Canada and Northeast USA is essential.

Key Responsibilities.

- **Key responsibility:** Responsible of leading and developing the team of Contracting Managers to help them reach the targets across key business objective.
- **Key responsibilities:** Assisting and coaching Contacting and Product Managers to develop their individual strategies to assist them to grow their skills, abilities, and competencies.
- **Key responsibilities**: Having a clear understanding of the initiatives and targets by developing clear guidance to drive and effectively implement our key strategic partnership programs.
- **Key responsibilities:** Participate and attend key hotelier meetings that require Area leadership representation to negotiate together with the Contracting Manager.
- **Key responsibilities:** Understand the systems and the processes to guide the team in the daily work.
- **Key responsibilities:** Help to solve any operational issues, competitiveness problems or any other tool related issues, to reach goals.
- **Key responsibilities:** Lead interdepartmental relationships across the business.
- **Key responsibility:** Generate revenue by achieving contracting targets and exploring new business opportunities in accordance with guidelines, standards, and strategies of the company in the assigned area.
- **Key responsibility:** Work closely with the Regional Director, Contracting to ensure that revenue from the designated territory meets or exceeds the planned budget
- **Key responsibility:** Propose & implement contracting strategy within the territory in conjunction with management & in line with overall company goals

- **Key responsibility:** Generate business from direct contracts
- **Key responsibility:** Conclusion of new hotel contracts in the Area and ensuring that existing and new contracts targets are met and maintains/grows production
- **Key responsibility:** Perform frequent contracting trips to all areas within the territory and resolve all contracting-related issues (including sales, pricing, operations, IT and credit control), internally with other departments (customer service, reservations, the financial department...), and externally with suppliers.
- Key responsibility: Analyse market trends and identify new streams of business for revenue generation
- Key responsibility: Representing territory at internal meetings and company at trade shows as required
- **Key responsibility:** Extended business travel as required.
- **Key responsibility:** Reporting to senior management as required.
- **Key responsibility:** Introduction to the company's computer system of the contracts signed and the control and verification of these as correct in the database.
- **Key responsibility:** Help facilitate contracts with suppliers.
- **Key responsibility:** Communicate both internally and externally in a professional manner in keeping with corporate guidelines

## Required Experience and Knowledge.

Essential		
Qualifications & Knowledge	Strong negotiation skills, pro-active, dynamic, passionate, and a team leader.	
	<ul> <li>Solid experience in negotiating agreements and closing terms and conditions with suppliers.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Able to develop and maintain strong and trusting relationships with hoteliers.</li> </ul>	
	Stakeholder management skills	
	<ul> <li>Contracting experience with the tourism industry; established relationships in the specific market.</li> </ul>	
	A solid working knowledge of Microsoft Word, Excel, and Outlook.	
Experience, Skills, and Behavioural Requirements	Highly accurate with excellent attention to detail.	
	Strong Commercial awareness	
	Excellent interpersonal skills and strong cultural versatility and empathy.	
	Well-developed verbal, and written communication and presentation skills.	
	Able to work well under pressure and meet strict deadlines.	
	A solid working knowledge of Microsoft Word, Excel and Outlook.	

Desirable	
Qualifications & Knowledge	
	Business Strategy
	Previous experience of CRM Tools
	Language: English and French (ideally)
Experience, Skills and Behavioural Requirements	<ul> <li>Commercial understanding of extranets, channel managers, and XML connectivity</li> </ul>
	Strong commercial acumen
	Previous management experience.
	Highly accurate with excellent attention to detail.
	Strategic thinker with strong analytical skills
	<ul> <li>Good communication, presentation, and negotiation skills</li> </ul>
	Strong business relationship skills
	<ul> <li>Self-motivated, flexible, adaptable, and proactive individual who knows how to think out of the box</li> </ul>

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