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**Hilton Worldwide to Host AAHOA Young Professionals' Day at Hilton**

ATLANTA, Oct. 24, 2016 - Hilton Worldwide will host a brand workshop Monday for 50 young hoteliers from the Asian American Hotel Owners Association (AAHOA).

Participants will enjoy a full day of professional development led by Hilton executives and discussions on Hilton's history and future, hotel construction and development, and brand management.

AAHOA Young Professional (YP) Director at Large (Western Division) Neal Patel praised both Hilton and AAHOA leadership for their commitment to the continued development of hospitality up-and-comers.

"The incredible value of this opportunity for AAHOA's young hoteliers cannot be overstated," he said. "The AAHOA-Hilton relationship has grown by leaps and bounds in the past year and both parties are excited to see their efforts come to fruition in the form of a shared day of learning and networking."

Binita Patel, AAHOA YP Director at Large (Eastern Division), echoed his thoughts and added, "This workshop is absolutely can't-miss chance for young hoteliers not only to beef up their industry knowledge, but also to interact with top-level executives at one of the most famous and successful hotel brands in the world."

Hilton and AAHOA have been partnering on industry initiatives since 1996.

"Hilton is committed to helping young people develop their lives and professional skills with mentorships, apprenticeships and partnering with universities to prepare the next generation of leaders," said Bill Fortier, Hilton's SVP of Development, Americas. "Our partnership with AAHOA and support of the Young Professionals group is another important way we are working to train and develop the talent that will lead the future of the hospitality industry."

The workshop will take place at Hilton Worldwide headquarters in McLean, Va., and is closed to the public.

*Founded in 1989, AAHOA is the largest hotel owner's association in the world, with more than 16,000 small business owner-members. AAHOA members own almost one in every two hotels in the United States.*