

HILTON GARDEN INN® JACKSONVILLE/PONTE VEDRA OFFERS ALL-INCLUSIVE, PER-PERSON, SMALL MEETINGS PACKAGE

Small Meetings Package for only \$149 per person when booked before December 31, 2008

PONTE VEDRA BEACH, Fla. (July 30, 2008) – According to the Meeting Professionals International (MPI) sixth annual *FutureWatch* survey*, budget is the number one concern for meeting planners this year. In contrast to 2007 survey results, in which the financial impact of terrorism and war ranked most grave, 1,643 meeting professionals responded that inflation and state of the economy are paramount to planning in 2008. Meeting planners today want affordable sites that maintain a standard of excellence in delivering the resort experience.

About the Small Meetings Package

For meetings up to 40 people, the *Small Meetings Package* is only \$149 per person when booked before December 31, 2008 for any future meeting date**.

The *Small Meetings Package* includes:

- Deluxe guest room accommodations
- Meeting room rental including linens, tables and chairs
- Audio visual equipment including projection screen, overhead projector, TV/VCR, DVD player and flip chart
- Wireless high-speed Internet access
- Continental breakfast served in meeting room
- Afternoon refreshment break

"We're attuned to the industry's need to maximize budget and saw a way to make things easier by offering an all-inclusive small meetings package that is priced per person," said Christopher L. Hill, CHSP, director of sales for the Hilton Garden Inn® Jacksonville/Ponte Vedra.

Hilton Garden Inn® Jacksonville/Ponte Vedra is located in the Sawgrass Village, at the entrance of the world-renowned TPC Sawgrass on A1A, at 45 PGA Tour Boulevard in Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla., 32082. The recently-renovated, 127-room hotel offers the finest-quality essential services and amenities in a resort setting with more than 1,900 square feet of flexible meeting space, full-service gourmet catering and the latest in sophisticated technology.

For more information call 866-766-8382 or visit jacksonvillepontevetra.hgi.com/E-events.

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*Source: MPI *FutureWatch 2008*: A Comparative Outlook on the Global Business of Meetings

**The Small Meetings Package is based on single occupancy and availability. All taxes and gratuities are included. A minimum of ten guest rooms is required for package booking. Any audio visual equipment not listed in package is subject to other rates and availability.

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