



Richard Horton
Managing Director & Co-Owner Castle Holdings s.r.o.

For the past 15 years Mr. Horton has been Managing Director of Castle Holdings s.r.o. Castle is a privately owned hospitality management and investment firm focusing on the acquisition, restructuring and management of iconic but often distressed assets. Some of Castle's activities include the acquisition and redevelopment of a derelict 15th century monastery into the luxury 5 star Mandarin Oriental Prague Hotel; conversion of 3 historic buildings into boutique hotels under the DaVinci Hotel brand; acquisition and restructuring of Black Bear Golf Club in the United States. Castle's restructuring experience also includes restructuring of several other hotel and conference assets, a hospitality technology firm and most recently the very successful restructuring of the historic Hotel Chateau Guetsch in Lucerne. In each case the firm's dedicated attention to detail and disciplined management practices have resulted in dramatic improvement in profitability and re-positioning of each asset as leading hotels in their respective markets.

Mr. Horton's previous 15 years of global private equity, investment banking and restructuring experience in multiple industries brings an outside the box approach to the rejuvenation of hospitality and specifically hotel assets.