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Speaker Profile

John Kent

Job Title: Founder and CEO of youtravel.com and the founder of Aquis Hotels and Resorts

Speaking at the following event/s:

- [The Get Funded Show@World Travel Market](#)
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John Kent is the Founder and CEO of youtravel.com and the founder of Aquis Hotels and Resorts. He has a strong track record in the tourism and travel industry, mostly as a serial entrepreneur within the online and dynamic packaging sector. He has managed to build value both as an executive and as an entrepreneur in six major companies, four of which were involved in acquisitions in a period shorter than 24 months from establishment.

He founded MedHotels.com and TravelBargains.com revolutionising the package holiday market by introducing dynamic packaging for holidays in the UK market. Both companies were then acquired by Lastminute.com, after two very successful years of operations. John was then appointed Managing Director of Lastminute.com with global responsibility for the procurement of hotels, leaving Lastminute.com he has generated a range of dynamic projects.

He is currently the founder & CEO of Youtravel.com, the online resort accommodation company that he set up in 2006 and has achieved expected turnover of Euro 115 million in its second year (ended October 31 2008). Recently John invested in Aquis Hotels and Resorts, www.aquisresorts.com which aims to build a portfolio of wholly owned hotels and hotel management in the Mediterranean area. This venture has attracted substantial financing from Abu Dhabi. John is a Visiting Senior Fellow at the University of Surrey, UK and a member of the UK Institute of Directors.

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