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KAZUHIKO YASHIMA NAMED GENERAL MANAGER OF IMPERIAL HOTEL, TOKYO

March 1st, 2023; Tokyo, Japan: Japan's 132 year old Imperial Hotel, Ltd. has announced the appointment of Kazuhiko Yashima as General Manager of the Tokyo flagship Imperial Hotel, effective April 1st, 2023. Yashima is currently Deputy General Manager of the Imperial Hotel, Tokyo and Director of Hotel Operations Management.

Yashima joined Imperial Hotel, Ltd. upon his graduation from Keio University, and was named Director of Sales at the Imperial Hotel, Ltd.'s New York Sales Office from 2006 to 2011. From 2016 to 2021, he was appointed to The Tokyo Organising Committee of the Olympic and Paralympic Games, and from 2022 served as Deputy General Manager of the Imperial Hotel in Tokyo and it's Director of Hotel Operations Management.

"I am honored to have such an opportunity" says Yashima who will be responsible for the important steering in this transition period. "I will do my best and keep that in mind. With the spirit of hospitality, I constantly strive to go that extra step in order to provide guests with the best possible service."

Tokyo's Imperial was founded by Japanese aristocracy in 1890 on the same site it occupies today and opened as a venue to receive an increasing number of foreign dignitaries visiting Japan in the Meiji Period. For its range of classical Japanese hospitality, it is the traditional favorite of visiting celebrities from abroad visiting the Japanese capital.

The Imperial Hotel, Tokyo's second generation main building which was built by Frank Lloyd Wright in 1923, celebrates its 100th anniversary in 2023. In addition, the Imperial Hotel, Tokyo plans to rebuild its tower building from 2024 to 2030, and its current main building from 2031 to 2036.