

ST. REGIS MALDIVES WINS CONTINENTAL TITLE AT PRIX VERSAILLES GLOBAL ARCHITECTURE AWARDS

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St. Regis Maldives Vommuli Resort has been named the hotel in Africa and West Asia with the best exterior design, at [Prix Versailles 2017](#).

The continental Special Prize for Exterior – Africa and West Asia in the Hotels category was presented at the grand finale of Prix Versailles held on May 12 at the UNESCO headquarters in French capital Paris.

St. Regis Maldives Vommuli Resort was amongst 70 continental winners. Properties from six major regions around the globe — Africa and West Asia, North America, Central America, the South and the Caribbean, Central Asia and the Northeast, South Asia and the Pacific, and Europe — competed for the continental titles.



In addition, world titles were awarded to 12 projects in four categories: Shops and Stores, Shopping Malls, Hotels and Restaurants. They are:

- **Shops and Stores:** Dior Miami in Florida, United States (Prix Versailles 2017); Hangzhou Zhongshuge in Hangzhou, China (Special Prize Interior); and Chanel – temporary store in Amsterdam, the Netherlands (Special Prize Exterior).
- **Shopping Malls:** Tokyu Plaza Ginza in Tokyo, Japan (Prix Versailles 2017); ARG Shopping Mall in Tehran, Iran (Special Prize Interior); and Lideta Mercato in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia (Special Prize Exterior).
- **Hotels:** Chablé – Yucatan Peninsula in Chocholá, Mexico (Prix Versailles 2017); Spedition in Thun, Switzerland (Special Prize Interior); and Mar Adentro in San José del Cabo, Mexico (Special Prize Exterior).
- **Restaurants:** Illusion in Doha, Qatar (Prix Versailles 2017); Shukufuku Japanese Bento in Melbourne, Australia (Special Prize Interior); and The Dancing Pavilion in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil (Special Prize Exterior).

Actively promoted by UNESCO and International Union of Architects, the Prix Versailles has become the World Architecture Award for stores, hotels and restaurants. It is an original initiative launched in 2015 to foster better interaction between the economy and culture.



The St. Regis Maldives Vommuli Resort, which was included in the [Condé Nast Traveler 2017 Hot List](#), is nestled on a private island in a secluded Maldivian atoll, amidst thriving marine life. Just 40 minutes from the main Velana International Airport by seaplane, guests are transported into a newfound paradise in the Dhaalu Atoll. The all-villa resort's unique design, inspired by the marine setting, has been created to evoke a sense of tropical island village living. Each of the 77 villas embody the perfect combination between privacy and luxury.