



## SWISSÔTEL NANKAI OSAKA FIRST TO OFFER GUESTS COMPLIMENTARY “handy” SMARTPHONE SERVICES IN THE KANSAI REGION.

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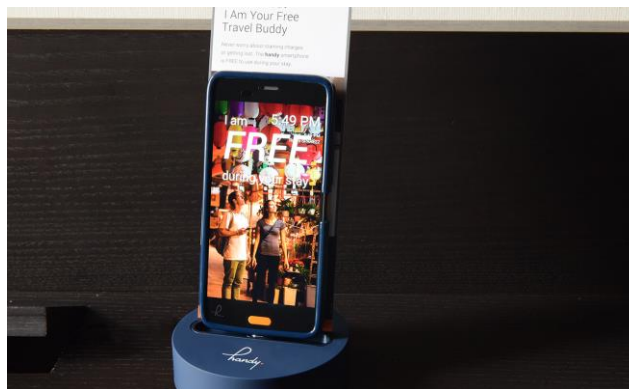
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**Osaka, 1 August, 2017** - Swissôtel Nankai Osaka introduces a new complimentary smartphone services to in-house guests starting August 1st, 2017. “handy”, smartphones will allow hotel guests to enjoy, inside and outside of the hotel, unlimited internet access, free local & IDD calls, a comprehensive city guide and latest offers of the hotel.



Swissôtel Nankai Osaka is the first hotel to offer this service in the Kansai Region. Hotel guests will enjoy the convenience and connectivity on the move. Unlimited data access allows the guests to easily share updates of their trip on social media at anytime, and get around the city using Google’s map app. For privacy and security, all personal information and usage record are permanently deleted upon check-out, and a new IP address will be set for the next use.

Moreover, guests can have easy access to Hotel’s website from the Home screen, enabling them to stay up-to-date with exclusive offers and travel news. In case of emergency, the smartphone allows the guests to immediately connect to the hotel. The built-in city guide offers information on entertainment, dining, lifestyle, business, transportation, weather, shopping and much more.

“We are delighted to introduce ‘handy’ to our guests on the Swiss National Day, August 1st. With Swiss hospitality in mind, we are continuously seeking ways to elevate our guest experience. With all the features ‘handy’ has to offer, convenience and security is at their fingertips. Our guests can enjoy worry-free travel experience while staying connected with their friends and families. This is our gift to our guests”, comments Christian Schaufelbühl, General Manager of Swissôtel Nankai Osaka.





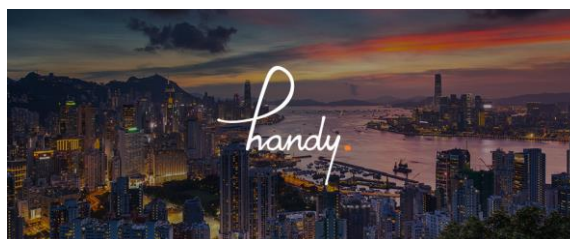
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### **About "handy"**

"handy" is a free smartphone service for hotel guests provided by handyJapan Co. (Chief Executive Officer Hironori Katsuse, Tokyo). With "handy", users can enjoy unlimited Internet access and free domestic and international calls, along with array of services that connect the users and the Hotel. To date, over 110,000 rooms across 17 countries have implemented this service. Handy is present in more than 50 percent of the hotel rooms in Hong Kong and Singapore.

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### **Swissôtel Nankai Osaka**

Swissôtel Nankai Osaka is part of the Swissôtel Hotels & Resorts group.

Nestled in the heart of "Minami", Osaka's most stimulating centre for business, culture, shopping, food, fashion, and entertainment, Swissôtel Nankai Osaka provides unmatched convenience and urban getaway for travellers. It is the only hotel that offers direct railway access from Kansai International Airport. The hotel is situated right above Namba station, a major transportation hub in Osaka city, offering an easy access to various popular tourist destinations, including historic city of Kyoto, UNESCO World Heritage gems of Nara and cosmopolitan port city of Kobe. Hotel provides a wide range of amenities, seven restaurants & bar and Fitness & Spa, and has been featured in/received awards for Trip Advisor Certificate of Excellence, World Luxury Hotel Award, World Travel Awards, and Wine Spectator. For more information or reservations, please call +81-6-6646-1111, visit <http://www.swissotel.com/hotels/nankai-osaka/> or contact your local travel professional.

### **About Swissôtel**

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