​Q11 - ​Provided that the location is appropriate, are top category, ​luxury or resort hotels suitable venues for third-party or member-organised conferences attended by Healthcare Professionals?

In principle "No", such hotels are not suitable venues, however exceptions can be made if the following all criteria are met

1. The conference is a bona fide educational or scientific event.
2. The third-party or member organiser’s promotional material does not feature the on-site leisure aspects of the conference venue as a key attraction.
3. The event programme fills the working day for the duration of the conference, that is there are no gaps permitting use of the on-site leisure facilities during the conference
4. In any case delegates can not be lodged in luxury hotels even if the venue was considered compliant, however when the location involved presents genuine safety and security issues and the hotel selected for the conference is the only safe or secure venue in the area, HCPs may be lodged in the selected venue.

Under no circumstances:

* resort hotels meaning a hotel part of a complex offering significant recreational, amusement or sporting facilities will be considered as acceptable venue for either conference or lodging.
* cruise ships, golf clubs or hotels with on-site casinos be considered as acceptable venue for either conferences or lodging.