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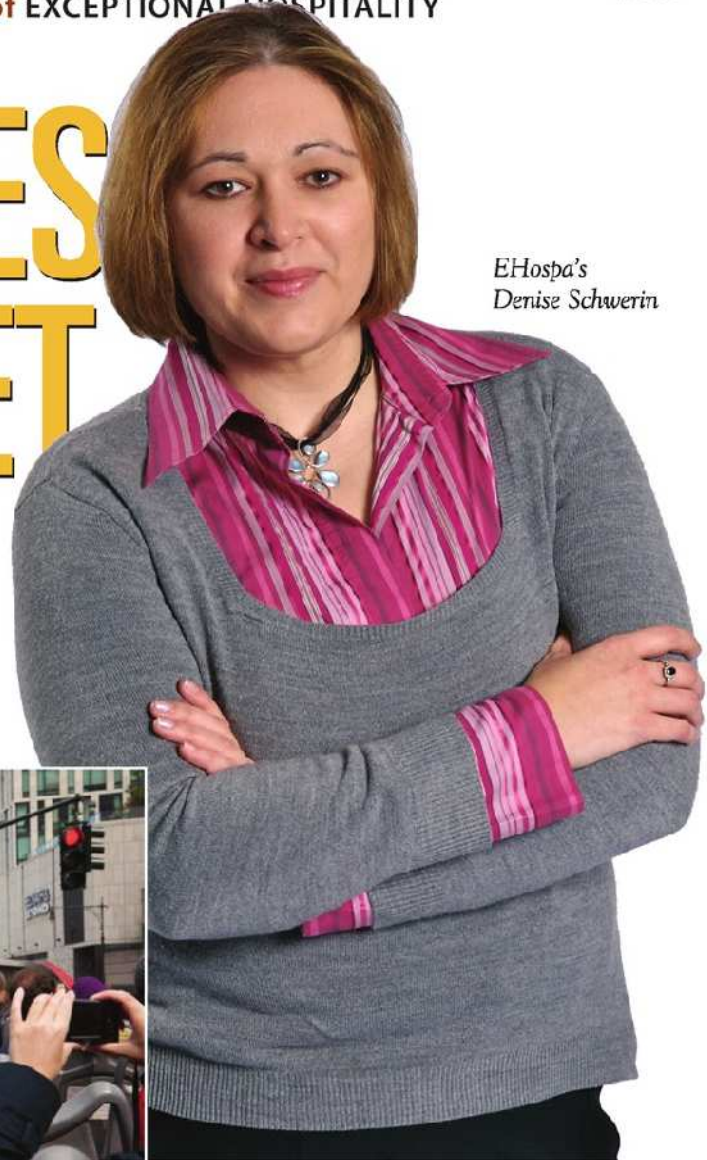
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Selcuk Success

Turkey waterpark plans Polin water ride additions

Having celebrated its 10-year anniversary in 2010 by adding two unique water rides that year, Aquafantasy Waterpark (Izmir, Turkey) has ridden a wave of popularity. It's part of the Aqua Fantasy Hotel & Spa complex on 45 acres of land in the city of Selcuk and has become the No. 1 destination in the area.

Aquafantasy worked with Polin Systems in 2010 to develop a family rafting slide and wave slide, both of which have proven so popular as to exceed expectations, according to Askin Altiparmak, general manager at Aqua Fantasy Hotel & Spa. "The new slides really enhanced the experience

for our guests, providing a rush of adrenaline," he says. "Guests are as thrilled with the rides as we are with the increased business."

After adding a double-tube slide rising nearly 50 feet in the air in 2011, Aquafantasy is planning on expanding again in 2013. Muharrem Atilla, Aquafantasy's waterpark manager, says the need for adding new features is driven by lines that currently are exceedingly long. The amount of new business generated by the recent Polin waterslide additions demands action to keep guests active and satisfied with their experience.

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