

Development Recap



MOROCCO Work is under way on the Qued Fes Golf Resort in the historic Moroccan city of Fes. This artist's rendering shows one of the planned resort hotels overlooking the 18th hole of the course, designed by architect Jonathan Gaunt. The course also will feature a golf academy and 300-meter driving range. It expects to open in early 2009. The overall site will include golf villas and apartments, five hotels and a retail area.

BULGARIA

June launch planned for golf-resort complex

Terra Tour Services will develop a new golf and resort complex in Pravets, about 50 kilometers from Sofia.

Work on the project will begin in June, with completion expected by 2011. Harradine Golf will design the course.

The project will include a five-star hotel, sports complex, casino, spa and apartments, single-family houses and luxury villas.

Terra Tour Services is a subsidiary of Agrohold JSC, which is owned by the head of the Bulgarian arm of Russian oil company Lukoil.

EGYPT

Sanford to design Mediterranean project

Architect John Sanford has signed on to design the new 27-hole course planned as

part of a resort at Hacienda Bay.

The project, being built by Palm Hills Development Group of Egypt on the Mediterranean coast, will include five-star hotel properties, beachfront cabanas and condominiums, along with a spa.

It will be Sanford's sixth design in Egypt.

CZECH REPUBLIC

Prague-area project to include 27 holes

Construction is scheduled to begin this fall on a 27-hole golf complex northeast of Prague.

The developer, Vinorska Spol, has brought in British architect Jonathan Gaunt to design the course at the Sekyra Golf Resort.

The project is located on 100 hectares in Vinor, about 15 kilometers from the capital city. Two scenic castles — Vinor Castle and Ctenice Castle — will be visible

from the course. Two small chapels built for medieval travelers located within the site will be renovated.

IRELAND

Hotel development in works at estate

A new 300-room luxury hotel and a 27-hole golf course will be the centerpiece of a development planned by Swinwood Ltd. in Wicklow County. The planned project is located at Roundwood Park estate, the former home of one-time Irish President Seán T. O'Kelly.

In addition to the golf, the complex will include an equestrian center and outdoor riding area and 60 vacation homes. The resort will include a conference center and spa.

The property is owned by Real Estate Opportunities, which purchased the 377-acre estate in 2005.