07/05/2017 Best Western is the Biggest Hotel Brand in Germany

Also in 2017, Best Western is the biggest hotel brand in Germany, as measured by both the number of rooms and hotels. That is the result of a ranking by PKF hotelexperts München, which was published in June. Best Western defends the lead with 192 hotels and 18,842 rooms followed by Mercure, Ibis and B&B Hotels.

Eschborn, 5th July 2017. Best Western defends its position as the biggest hotel brand in Germany. This is shown in the yearly hotel ranking by PKF hotelexperts München, which was published in the trade magazine Cost & Logis in June 2017. With 192 hotels and 18,842 rooms (as of March 2017) the brand reaches the first place in the ranking of the biggest hotel brands in Germany both in terms of the number of hotels and rooms. On the second and third place, measured by the number of rooms, follow the Accor brand Mercure with 14,669 rooms and Ibis with 11,771 rooms. When looking at the number of hotels, Mercure ranks second with 105 hotels, with 91 hotels B&B Hotels has displaced Ibis (88 hotels) from the third place. The ranking "Germany's biggest hotel brands" is carried out every year by PKF hotelexperts München and published by Cost & Logis. From the listed brands of the PKF analysis around 44 per cent, including Best Western, belong to the midscale segment, around one quarter (25.4 per cent) to the upscale and luxury segment. Overall, the 126 listed brands offer 1,875 hotels and 271,105 rooms.

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Caption: Best Western is the biggest hotel brand in Germany, as measured both by the number of rooms and hotels. On the picture: The Best Western loftstyle Hotel Stuttgart-Zuffenhausen has joined the brand in 2017.

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