

## THE CHALLENGE

Since 2008, the Hotel Romance has implemented internally a self made reservation software, but in 2013 the system, outdated and unable to connect to the channel manager, could not withstand the fast-paced demands of online customers and adapt to the new scenario would involve travel a cost too high for the hotel. To quickly solve the problem for about a year, the Romance Hotel has decided to **rely on the booking engine** offered by an **OTA**, but in

this case the solution was not the most suitable to increase revenue and direct bookings. **Alexandr Stanka**, Sales Manager of the Hotel Romance, says: "Relying on an OTA has many contraindications: you cannot do any promotion for our direct customers; when there are no rooms available, the system suggests other hotel nearby; The biggest problem is that when the regulars note that the booking engine belongs to OTA, then go directly to the portal site to book.



# HOTEL ROMANCE PUŠKIN: INCREASING +20% ON LINE REVENUES

**Hotel Romance Puškin**, 4 stars, is a delightful boutique hotel with 30 rooms and suites in the heart of the SPA town of Karlovy Vary in the Czech Republic. It is located in a building totally renovated and offers a very select clientele exclusive SPA treatments and a sought restaurant with summer terrace.

## THE SOLUTION

Alexandr was impressed by the graphical interface simple and clear Simple Booking. The first aim of the Hotel Romance was in fact to offer its customers a reservation system simple and fast. More he needed to be able to connect seamlessly to the channel manager used by the property.

## THE RESULTS

A few months after the adoption of the new system, the revenue grew by 21% over the same period last year and this has allowed the hotel to reach an ADR higher by 2.5%. There is still much work to do to exploit the potential of the system and therefore we expect a further improvement in performance in the coming months.