



## Speaker CV



**Leslie Peden**  
**Chief Commercial Officer**  
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Leslie Peden is the chief commercial officer of Celestyal Cruises. He joined Celestyal in 2017 as president, North America and vice president of commercial. He was promoted in less than a year to the role of chief commercial officer with global responsibilities to reengineer the company's distribution, grow brand awareness and market share, achieving year-round cruising.

Peden has more than 30 years of experience across EMEA and North America in cruising, tour operations, air and rail travel, including senior leadership roles with Royal Caribbean International, Celebrity Cruises, Virgin Holidays Cruises, and Island Cruises.

Prior to joining Celestyal, Peden was with the luxury Canadian rail-tour operator Rocky Mountaineer, as director of EMEA and then their largest source market the USA.