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"Tokyo lacks something like that at the moment and I believe that if such a facility was built then it would be in great demand," he added.

Morimoto believes that the newfound focus placed on Tokyo means that DMCs will "need to elevate their standards of service and their offerings".

He said: "That is the main reason why I organised a group called The DMC Club, which meets once every two months to exchange information on unique venues or services that would be welcomed by our corporate event buyers.

"We do need to elevate our standards to be ready to welcome all the corporate buyers that we expect in the year of the Olympics."