“THE STARS OF ITALY” TO SHINE IN BANGKOK FOR 11TH ITALIAN CUISINE & WINES WORLD SUMMIT





Rare Treats Await Italian Food Lovers As Five Marriott International Hotels in Bangkok Welcome Five Michelin-Starred Guest Chefs

BANGKOK, September 16, 2019: Italian food lovers are in for a rare treat as five Marriott International hotels in Bangkok celebrate the 11th Italian Cuisine & Wines World Summit and hosts a constellation of five Michelin-starred chefs from October 9 – 12, 2019. The summit will kick off on Wednesday, October 9, 2019 with a Gala Dinner at Rossini’s, the signature Italian restaurant at Sheraton Grande Sukhumvit, a Luxury Collection Hotel, Bangkok. Guest will experience an elaborate 10-hands dinner by the five Michelin-starred guest chefs over a 5-course menu of their own acclaimed signatures, paired with exceptional Italian wines. Following the kick-off summit, each Michelin-starred chef will be hosted at Bangkok Marriott Hotel Sukhumvit; Renaissance Bangkok Ratchaprasong Hotel; Royal Orchid Sheraton Hotel & Towers; Sheraton Grande Sukhumvit, a Luxury Collection Hotel, Bangkok; and The Athenee Hotel, a Luxury Collection Hotel, Bangkok.

Bringing together Italy’s finest restaurants, Michelin-starred chefs, food and wine producers as well as culinary experts to celebrate, the Italian Cuisine & Wines World Summit is the world’s biggest showcase of Italian cuisine. It aims to promote and educate consumers about the beauty of Italian cuisine and ingredients.

The summit promises to be an exceptional week of fine dining that will enthrall and delight all lovers of Italian cuisine. The Michelin-starred chefs will be reflecting the diversity of Italy’s cuisine inspired from the distinctive regions such as Neapolitan, Sardinia, and Milan with authentic recipes and new generation approach with fresh and organic ingredients.

Chef Daniele Repetti will work his magic at The District Grill Room & Bar, the award-winning

steakhouse at Bangkok Marriott Hotel Sukhumvit. When Chef Daniele and his wife, Lucy, opened Nido del Picchio in Carpaneto Piacentino in northern Italy, the gifted chef quickly received a Michelin star. With more than two decades of experience, he is renowned for combining a limited selection of high-quality local ingredients to ensure each flavor, color and texture shines through. A highlight of Chef Daniele's menu will be Smoked Lamb Loin with Pepper Cream and Jerusalem Artichoke.

La Tavola, the upscale Italian restaurant and wine bar at Renaissance Bangkok Ratchaprasong Hotel, will welcome Chef Domenico Stile, a prodigious talent and the youngest Michelin-starred chef in Rome. His cuisine at the one-Michelin star Enoteca la Torre a Villa Laetitia draws inspiration from the traditions of his Neapolitan roots while continuing to experiment with modern techniques. At La Tavola, Chef Domenico's menu will include Lemon Risotto with Razor Clam, Vongole, Buffalo Milk Yogurt and Asparagus.

At Royal Orchid Sheraton Hotel & Towers, Chef Francesco Gasbarro will serve his outstanding cuisine at Giorgio's, the hotel's Italian restaurant overlooking the Chao Phraya river. Born in Florence, Chef Francesco is the chef patron at La Bottega in Geneva, which was awarded a Michelin star within five months of opening, and Osteria della Bottega, also in Geneva and the recipient of a Michelin Bib Gourmand. Chef Francesco's cuisine reinterprets classic dishes and flavors with contemporary flair. At Giorgio's, his menu will include Snapper or Hamachi fish with Bean Needle and Cacciucco Sauce.

Rossini's, the Michelin Plate-awarded restaurant at Sheraton Grande Sukhumvit will host Chef Tano Simonato from Milan. His restaurant, Tano Passami l'Olio in Milan is the recipient of a Michelin star and numerous other awards. Chef Tano is known for his love of olive oil (the restaurant name means "pass me the olive oil"), and it is the foundation of his tasteful yet light signature dishes. Chef Tano's menu will include his signature Red Prawn Carpaccio, Caramelized Fine de Claire Oyster, Black Rice Crumble, Pistachios and Potatoes with Seawater Air.

At The Allium Bangkok, the brand-new restaurant at The Athenee Hotel, Chef Felice Lo Basso will showcase a combination of delicate flavors from different regions of Italy. He opened his first restaurant in 2016 in Milan, the Felix Lo Basso Restaurant, which received a Michelin star the same year. Chef Felice's menu will include Squid Ink Potato Gnocchi with Baby Squid Ragout and Sweet Garlic Cream.

"Bangkok has long been recognized as one of the best destinations in the world for great cuisine, both local and international, we are proud to be part of the 11th Italian Cuisine & Wines World Summit under the auspices of the Italian embassy," said Carsten Siebert, Area Director of Operations – Thailand, Vietnam, Cambodia & Myanmar, Marriott International. "The summit will be a wonderful opportunity for us to align the stars of Italian cuisine with our own highly talented Marriott International chefs, and a rare occasion for the mutual exchange of insights, all aimed at providing authentic, exciting and locally-relevant experiences for all our guests."

Reservations for the Gala Dinner on October 9 are available at THB 6,500 nett. During the week of October 9 to 12, the five Michelin-starred chefs will also present signature lunch and dinner menus, wine pairings and a not-to-be-missed Italian Sunday brunch. "The Stars of Italy" menus start from THB 1,500++ for lunch and THB 2,500++ for dinner.

"Early Bird" bookings made before October 1, 2019 will receive up to 30% discount. Guests visiting more than one restaurant during the promotion period will also receive one complimentary course when they present their receipt from the previous restaurant upon arrival. Marriott Bonvoy members will enjoy exclusive Restaurants and Bars benefits, which are also available at more than

2,800 participating restaurants and bars across Asia-Pacific, where they can earn points and savor year-round dining privileges.

For more information about the event, participating hotels and to make reservations, please visit http://hotel-deals.marriott.com/italiansummitbangkok/.

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