

The Global Restaurant Awards announces judging panel

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DUBAI, BRITISH COLUMBIA, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES , January 25, 2016 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The inaugural [Global Restaurant Awards](#) have unveiled the judges that will be evaluating the nominations submitted for the awards. Simon Lazarus, Vice President Food & Beverage, Europe, Middle East & Africa, Hilton Worldwide; Angela Hartnett, Michelin Chef; Ufi Ibrahim, Chief Executive, British Hospitality Association; Aaron Noveshen, President and Founder, The Culinary Edge and Richard Vines, Chief Food Critic, Bloomberg are just some of the experts judging these awards.

Mark Lewis, Managing Director, The Caterer will be chairing the judging panel. These awards mark the first international awards event for The Caterer who operate the leading awards events in hospitality and catering in the UK. Mark commented, "We are thrilled with the support we have received from our international community, our judges have been carefully selected from all different aspects of the global industry from executive Chefs, innovative entrepreneurs, food critics, business leaders and associations all working in our thriving industry"

Award Categories include recognition for Sustainability, Technology, Design, New Concepts, International Growth, Hotel F&B and Marketing Excellence. Darren Tristano, President, Technomic Inc and a member of the awards judging panel commented, "These awards will recognise the innovation, talent and growth our industry has". Jennifer Pettinger, Managing Director Middle East at Bench Events said, "the Global Restaurant Awards will provide exposure to those operators, franchisors and entrepreneurs that have strived for success in this industry. It will provide a global platform for recognition on a business level."

The Global Restaurant Awards will take place on 16 March at the prestigious Burj Al Arab, Dubai and is being hosted by the Jumeirah Group. Pascal Aussignac, Executive Chef & Co-Owner, Gascon Connection, will be creating a signature dish for the awards and will also be having a residency with the Jumeirah Group. Robert Swade, Group Chief Operating Officer, Jumeirah Group commented,



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GLOBAL RESTAURANT INVESTMENT FORUM

14-16 March 2016
The Address Dubai Mall, Dubai

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“We are delighted to be hosting the Global Restaurant Awards and collaborating with Chef Pascal for this prestigious event. Jumeirah proudly champions high quality, innovative concepts and creative cuisine, and we are excited to share our culinary excellence with the industry“.

The awards take place in conjunction with the [Global Restaurant Investment Forum](#) (GRIF) 14 – 16 March at The Address Dubai Mall. The forum brings together the global restaurant investment community for a 2-day conference, with topical sessions which discuss global trends, investment opportunities, new concepts, franchising and internationalising. The programme encompasses culinary tours, masterclasses, roundtable discussions and spectacular networking receptions.

Nominations for the awards:

<http://www.restaurant-invest.com/awards/nominate>-a-business and registration for GRIF:
<http://www.restaurant-invest.com/> are still open

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The Global Restaurant Awards has been developed through partnership with Connecting Travel whose sister business, The Caterer, is responsible for the renowned Cateys awards for UK hospitality. The Global Restaurant Awards will take place during the Global Restaurant Investment Forum (GRIF) and offer an opportunity for industry leaders to come together and celebrate those businesses that have shown innovation, vision and leadership in their concepts and operations. They will recognise the brands that have best engaged with their consumers through social media, technology, design or sustainability.

The Global Restaurant Awards will provide a platform to acknowledge the brands and concepts that have revolutionised the culinary landscape, bringing a new vibrancy to the industry and above all pushing boundaries to achieve perfection.

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