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**WORLD GOURMET SUMMIT 2019 –
DISCOVER THE BEST IN THE CULINARY WORLD WITH
ASIA'S PREMIER HAUTE CUISINE FESTIVAL**

23rd edition of World Gourmet Summit spotlights theme of Sustainability



Singapore, 5 March 2019 – The discovery of the best in the culinary world continues with the highly anticipated **World Gourmet Summit (WGS) 2019**, with a diverse curation of epicurean experiences awaiting discerning gastronomes here. The culinary festival will run from **1 April 2019** until **12 May 2019** across various restaurants and venues in Singapore.





WGS is Asia's premier haute cuisine festival that celebrates fine cuisines, excellent wines, and wonderful dining experiences. The festival presents a unique opportunity to relish gourmet dishes sporting a multitude of culinary influences.

"The World Gourmet Summit was conceptualised from the passion and desire to connect and inspire talents in the culinary industry. We remain steadfast in our commitment to empower, enrich, and advance both homegrown and regional culinary talents since inception in 1997. As we celebrate our 23rd run as Asia's premier culinary festival, we continue to acknowledge the efforts of key players and also motivate aspiring talents in the culinary industry towards success", says **Peter Knipp, Founder, World Gourmet Summit.**

Looking to make this year's edition yet another stunning showcase of gastronomic excellence, WGS 2019 will accentuate on the movement towards food-waste management, and plastic-free environment via the expansive theme of *Sustainability in the Gastronomy World*, and will feature a diversified line up of culinary stars, from young, up-and-coming chefs, to renowned culinary influencers from across Asia, Eastern and Central Europe, as well as North and South America, each presenting the best of the world's exciting cuisines.

Diners are in for even more unique and exciting dining experiences as local and international gourmet partners showcase their fresh and premium products during masterclasses and a host of curated brunches and dinners.

Mr. Knipp highlights, "The movement for sustainability has witnessed growing efforts from water conservation, greater adoption of recycled and recyclable products, to minimizing consumption of single-use plastics in our daily lives. The culinary world is no exception and this calls for action. We need to spread this important message and explore innovative approaches to reinvent additional resilient culinary practices. First and



foremost, issues surrounding waste reduction, food preparation, and sourcing must be addressed in order to sustain and bolster our environment. Food should not impede sustainability. Instead, it should contribute towards sustainable development by placing sustainable culinary ethics at the forefront.”

World Gourmet Summit 2019 – Masterchefs and Personalities

WGS 2019 is honoured to welcome an illustrious group of international masterchefs and culinary maestros who will contribute greatly to Singapore’s growing gastronomic landscape. They will be demonstrating their culinary prowess across a masterfully curated gastronomic programme, hosted at some of the city’s most notable dining establishments at the **World Gourmet Summit Masterchef Dining Delights** dinners from 24 – 27 April 2019.

Among the masterchefs joining WGS 2019 in Singapore are Romanian chef, **Adi Hadean**, a TV and radio personality, and former judge on the Romanian edition of MasterChef cooking show series; **Soma Oroszki**, head chef of *Enjoy! by La Parrilla*, at the Iberostar Grand Hotel Budapest; and **Martin Rebaudino**, Executive Chef of *Roux*, which was awarded No. 27 in the "Best 50 Restaurants in Latin America" by the San Pellegrino Guide and No. 4 within the Argentina Republic in 2013.

Also joining the exciting line-up of masterchefs from the world over is man of many talents, **Mykhailo Sosnovskyh**, Brand Chef of the restaurant *Muhtalif* and guest judge at the Ukrainian Cup on Cooking for 2016 and 2017 and the International Cooking Cup; as well as **Jaroslav Uscinski**, Vice President of OSSKiC (Polish Kitchen & Pastry Chef’s Association) since 2009.

Strategic Partnership and Social Giving





WGS 2019 is supported by premium partners **Marine Stewardship Council**, **U.S. Dairy Export Council**, and **Speciality & Fine Food Asia**.

“The culinary world loves to celebrate seafood, and the demand for fish and other marine species continues to rise, globally. We strongly support any effort that aims to protect our oceans and seafood supply, hence it is very encouraging to see sustainability take centre stage at this year’s edition of the World Gourmet Summit,” said **Sheryl Torres-Wu**, **Programme Director, Southeast Asia and Hong Kong, Marine Stewardship Council**.

The festival this year also proudly continues its partnership with award-winning **Turkish Airlines**, taking chefs from around the world to Singapore for Asia’s premier annual gourmet festival. In line with its commitment towards the community, WGS has adopted **Singapore Children’s Society** as the charitable beneficiary this year, where part of the proceeds from the UNGA: Gastro-Market Place will be channelled towards the beneficiary.

World Gourmet Summit 2019 Highlights

WGS 2019 promises over a month-long of exciting dining experiences as well as industry-driven events to discuss some of the most pertinent issues concerning the gastronomic world today – sustainability. The annual gourmet festival also presents the opportunity for the industry to honour and recognise some of the most respected culinary talents from around the world; and introduce young and aspiring chefs to the diners through the World Gourmet Awards (WGA).

WGS Sustainability Forum

Topic: Sustainability in the Gastronomy World





Date: Tuesday, 2 April 2019
Time: 3.00pm – 5.00pm
Venue: SIM Management House, 41 Namly Avenue, Singapore 267616

The inaugural WGS Sustainability Forum in partnership with SIM Professional Development brings together a panel of distinguished speakers and industry experts from the culinary world to discuss the various topics concerning issues on sustainability; from ethical and responsible sourcing, to the role each industry stakeholder plays in the mission to introduce and implement effective measures in a bid to implement sustainable practices industry-wide. The forum constructs a knowledge sharing platform and interactive conversation about environmentally-responsible cuisine with the help of the partner in Singapore Institute of Management. The WGS Sustainability Forum is open to special guests. Please visit www.worldgourmetsummit.com to find out more and to secure an invitation.

WGS Celebratory Menus

Date: Monday, 1 April 2019 – Sunday, 14 April 2019
Venue: Various, visit www.worldgourmetsummit.com for more information and reservations

Indulge in a variety of gastronomic experiences during World Gourmet Summit with a selection of curated WGS Celebratory Menus, in partnership with some of the most progressive and innovative restaurants in Singapore. Be prepared to savour chefs' creations across a myriad of the world's most exciting and exquisite cuisines, artfully created using fresh and premium ingredients to tantalise even the most discerning palate. For full list of partner restaurants and menus, and for reservations, visit www.worldgourmetsummit.com.



World Gourmet Awards

Date: Monday, 22 April 2019

Time: 5.00pm – 7.00pm

Venue: One Farrer Hotel, 1 Farrer Park Station Road, Singapore 217562

Widely regarded as one of the most respected accolades in Singapore and around the region, the 19th edition of the World Gourmet Awards (formerly the Awards of Excellence), will continue to recognise hardworking F&B and hospitality professionals, as well as establishments, in Singapore and around the region; all who have played a pivotal role in promoting exemplary service, innovations, and the evolution of the F&B and hospitality scene in Asia. With a marked increase in new restaurants and bars across the island in recent years, World Gourmet Awards 2019 looks to discover and celebrate new outstanding talents from the industry. For more information about the awards, visit www.wgsawards.com.

UNGA: Gastro-Market Place

Date: Tuesday, 23 April 2019

Time: 6.00pm – 10.00pm

Venue: Chijmes Lawn, 30 Victoria Street, Singapore 187996

World Gourmet Summit celebrates more than just dining experiences. The Gastro-Market Place, in its third instalment offers a platform for farmers and growers to showcase their ingredients and harvests, and to educate diners on the many aspects within the food industry. Head down to the Gastro-Market Place to sample produce from some Singapore's farmers and growers. Expect to find delicious grubs and refreshing tipples, as well as home-grown brands showcasing various culinary products and ingredients. The



Gastro-Market Place is open to the public and is priced at S\$10 per entry. For more information and updates, visit www.worldgourmetsummit.com.

World Gourmet Summit Masterchef Dining Delights

Date: Wednesday, 24 April 2019 – Saturday, 27 April 2019

Venue: Various, visit www.worldgourmetsummit.com for more information and reservations.

Some of the city's most notable and award-winning establishments will be hosting luxurious and specially crafted dinners during the festival. Embark on an international culinary journey featuring a stellar line up of culinary stars, from young, up-and-coming chefs, to renowned culinary maestros from across Asia, Eastern and Central Europe, as well as North and South America; each presenting the best of the world's exciting cuisines. Join them as they put together an eclectic selection of epicurean creations, in collaboration with local chefs and restaurants. For full details of dinners and partner restaurants, visit www.worldgourmetsummit.com.

WGS Gastro-Brunch

Date: Sunday, 28 April 2019

Time: 11.00am – 3.00pm

Venue: Tamarind Hill, 30 Labrador Villa Road, Singapore 119189

The WGS Gastro-Brunch offers diners a gastronomic escape away from the city. Relax and savour a wide selection of gourmet brunch offerings within a historic colonial bungalow perched atop the forested Labrador Nature Reserve. For more information and reservations, visit www.worldgourmetsummit.com.





Discover the best in the culinary world and for latest updates on WGS 2019, follow us on Instagram *@WorldGourmetSummit* and Facebook *@WorldGourmetSeries*.

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Please refer to appended annex for more information.

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About World Gourmet Summit (www.worldgourmetsummit.com)

World Gourmet Summit (WGS), Asia's premier haute cuisine festival to celebrate fine cuisines, excellent wines, and wonderful dining experiences presents a unique opportunity to relish gourmet dishes sporting a multitude of culinary influences. At the 23rd outing of this month-long food festival, expect another line-up of international masterchefs, along with our brightest culinary talents, serving up dinners, brunches, masterclasses, and more in an event not to be missed.

Inaugurated in 1997, the World Gourmet Summit is widely regarded as Asia's foremost gastronomic event. The WGS epitomises the cuisine, wine, and dining elements of gastronomy. Internationally recognised, the WGS has been conferred 55 awards in the annual International Festivals and Exhibitions Association (IFEA) ceremony in the United States of America since 2000. The World Gourmet Summit is organised by Peter Knipp Holdings Pte Ltd (PKH) and is supported by the Singapore Tourism Board (STB).

About World Gourmet Awards (www.wgsawards.com)

Inaugurated in 2001, the World Gourmet Summit's World Gourmet Awards (formerly the Awards of Excellence) is an accolade to acknowledge the efforts of key players in the hospitality industry who deliver the best dining experiences and products to their guests.

Supported by the Singapore Tourism Board (STB), the awards aims to motivate talents in the culinary industry to excel in their profession and promote the appreciation of fine dining in Singapore, as well as in the region.

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About Peter Knipp Holdings Pte Ltd

Peter Knipp Holdings Pte Ltd (PKH) offers a multi-faceted range of services for the hospitality industry. It includes an events management arm which provides events planning, conceptualisation and execution services including the World Gourmet Awards (www.wgsawards.com), and the World Gourmet Summit (www.worldgourmetsummit.com).

It also encompasses a publishing arm that produces the bi-monthly Cuisine & Wine Asia magazine, a weekly e-newsletter since 1996 (www.asiacuisine.com) and provides marketing communications consultancy services. Its final arm is the Foodservice Consultants Singapore Pte Ltd, an F&B consultancy and kitchen design (www.fscs.com.sg)

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ANNEX A: WGS CELEBRATORY MENUS – PARTNER RESTAURANTS

1. Arbora Restaurant
2. Ashino
3. Bakalaki Greek Tavern
4. Bedrock Bar & Grill
5. Blue Lotus Chinese Eating House at Sentosa
6. Ding Dong
7. El Mero Mero
8. Fat Cow
9. Frieda
10. Grissini at Grand Copthorne Waterfront Hotel
11. HRVST Bistro
12. Hua Ting Restaurant at Orchard hotel Singapore
13. Il Cielo at Hilton Singapore
14. La Barca Ristorante & Wine Bar
15. Le Bistrot du Sommelier
16. Mitzo Restaurant & Bar at Grand Park Orchard
17. Morsels
18. NAMI Restaurant and Bar at Shangri-La Hotel Singapore
19. Nouri
20. Open Farm Community
21. Origin Grill at Shangri-La Hotel Singapore
22. OSO Ristorante at Oasia Hotel Downtown
23. Peach Blossoms at Marina Mandarin Hotel
24. Punjab Grill
25. Shisen Hanten at Mandarin Orchard Singapore
26. Summer Palace at Regent Singapore

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27. Tamarind Hill Singapore
28. Tatsu
29. The Modern Izakaya
30. The Ottomani
31. The Sampan
32. The Wine & Gourmet Friends
33. Tien Court Restaurant at Copthorne Kings Hotel
34. Whitegrass

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ANNEX B: HOSTING ESTABLISHMENT OF WGS MASTERCHEF DINING DELIGHTS

1. Akira Back at JW Marriott Hotel Singapore South Beach
2. ANDAZ Singapore
3. Blue Lotus Chinese Grill House at Tanjong Pagar
4. Blue Lotus Kitchen + Bar at Alexandra
5. Dolce Vita at Mandarin Oriental Singapore
6. El Mero Mero
7. Forlino
8. Grissini at Grand Copthorne Waterfront Hotel
9. Mezza9 at Grand Hyatt Singapore
10. Morsels
11. SKAI at Swissôtel The Stamford
12. V Dining

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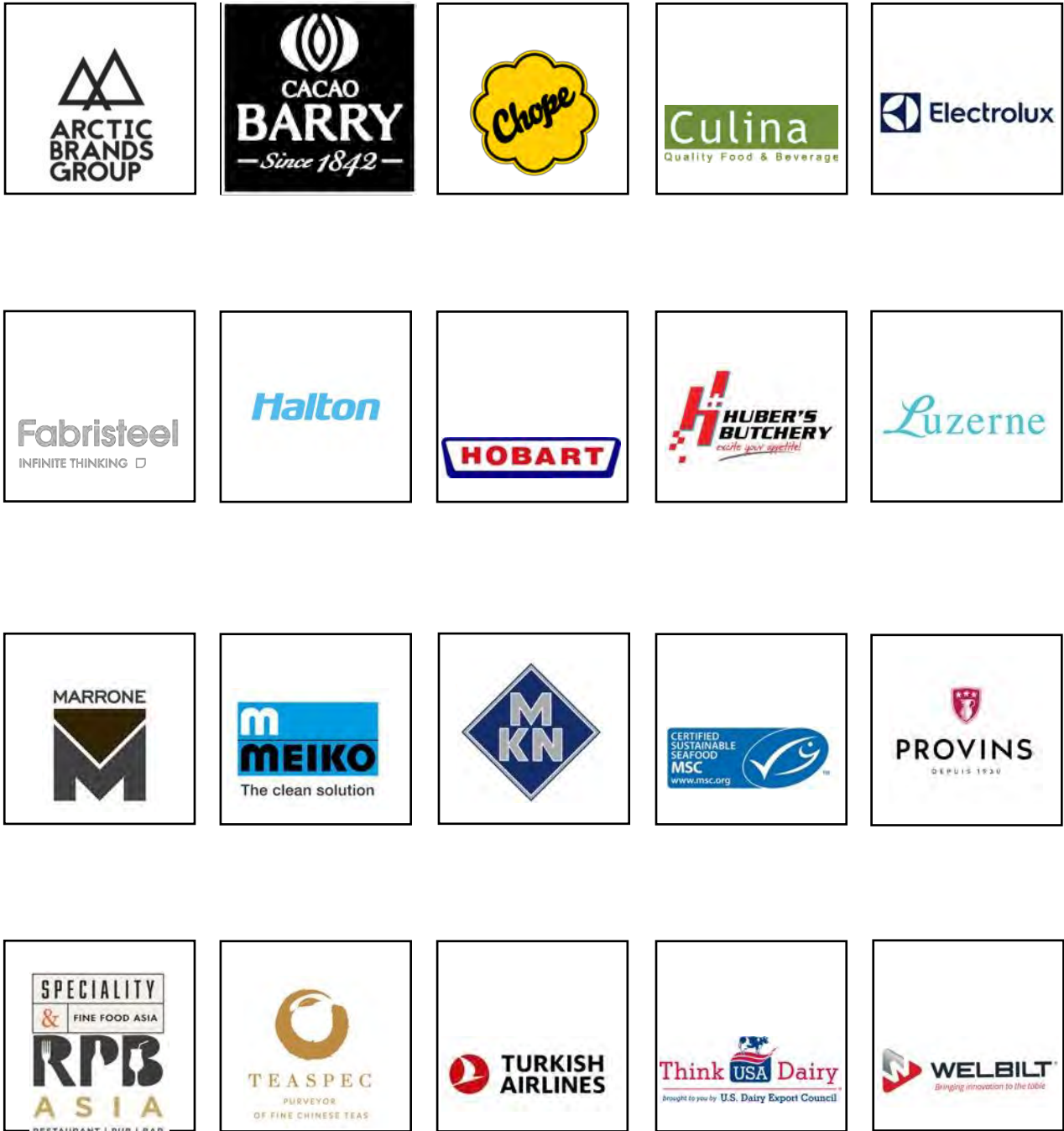
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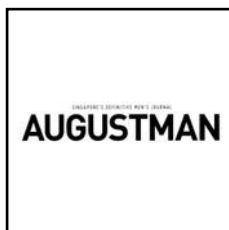
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