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Africa and Middle East Culinary regions coming together in Abu Dhabi for 6th African Culinary Cup 2022



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The Emirates Culinary Guild would like to announce the running of the African Culinary Cup 2022 during the Worldchefs' Congress 2022 at EXPOCulinaire in Abu Dhabi National Exhibition Centre, ADNEC, from the 30th of May till the cook off on 2nd June 2022

Answering the highly acclaimed need for a Continental Culinary expression and measure of excellence Chef Stephen Billingham, Past President of the South African Chefs Association, established and held the inaugural African Culinary Cup in South Africa in 2013. This prestigious competition, endorsed by Worldchefs, brings together Young African National Culinary Teams.

With five successful competitions achieved since the launch, involving Worldchefs member countries of Africa & the Middle East region, this competition has earned the status of being the platform for young chefs to network and compete in a professional and inspiring environment, encouraging and stimulating the culinary experiences, skills and abilities of young culinarians from across the region.

The core purpose is to challenge Chefs to set and maintain the highest level of culinary excellence, food standards and professionalism. Through the African Culinary Cup these goals are set at the highest level and accomplished along with the transfer of knowledge, dedication and the development of skills.

A group of diverse teams are coming together in Abu Dhabi for the 6th competition, teams from Ghana, South Africa, Namibia, Qatar, Egypt and the United Arab Emirates will compete against each other in the culinary competition highlighting the ethnic cuisine from each country. Each team is made up of 1 senior chef and 3 young chefs to cook and prepare and serve a mail for 10 people during the competition.

Judges from the World Association of Chefs Societies, Worldchefs, shall adjudicate the competition. The teams are to serve food that is representative to their indigenous cuisine so as to show the fellow competitors food from their country to ensure learning that is part of the competitions ethos being upheld



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"Competitions are a very important part of the Culinary world and this competition will give a platform for young chefs from Africa and Middle East an opportunity to show their skills and shine," said Andy Cuthbert, Chairman of the Emirates Culinary Guild, Continental Director of the African Middle East region and Worldchefs Congress chairman for 2022.

Chef Uwe Micheel President of the Emirates Culinary Guild adds, "this is an exciting time for culinary competitions and we are proud to host this great competition in the UAE and to participate once again with our team "Chef Uwe Micheel is also the Vice President of Worldchefs.

"Industry support, added Cuthbert, is so important to us and we thank our sponsor IFFCO out of home for supporting this event with their Sunny brand of product range".

For more about the Worldchefs Congress and EXPO Culinaire visit:

www.worldchefscongress.org
www.expoculinaire.com
www.worldchefs.org
www.emiratesculinaryguild.net

About the Emirates Culinary Guild

The Emirates Culinary Guild (ECG) (www.emiratesculinaryguild.net) is the association of professional chefs of the UAE. It is a non-profit-making organisation, organised by volunteers dedicated solely to the advancement of culinary art in the UAE.

The World Association of Chefs Societies (Worldchefs) (www.worldchefs.org) is the 105-nation fellowship of the world's various professional chefs' organizations.

The ECG received its charter into Worldchefs at a ceremony in Stavanger, Norway on June 28, 1994, during the Worldchefs 26th World Congress. Worldchefs endorses the ECG as the authorized professional culinary association for the UAE. The ECG, thereby, has an international culinary focus and multi-national support for the staging of its various competitions, seminars and events.

The aims of the ECG, broadly, are:



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- To encourage and inspire young chefs through training and competition.
- To enhance internationally the culinary prestige of the UAE.
- To encourage UAE nationals to consider a career within the hospitality industry.

With Culinary Regards,



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