

Gault&Millau Young Horeca Talents Project: Context

- This project brings together the ambitious goals of hotel schools, and the needs of the stakeholders involved, and the expectations of the Next Generation and their aspirations.
- The hospitality sector needs a regular inflow of new talents, and aims to be diverse and inclusive.
 This inflow is the greatest challenge of our sector in recent times



Gault&Millau Young Horeca Talents Project: Project & Goals

- A multi-year project, that will be able to grow with the support of sector partners and our mutual commitment
- With the project, we want to give more visibility to the sector, listening to next gen and their view on their career today and tomorrow



- To raise awareness for the hotel schools, we want to briefly and powerfully trigger and challenge the Young Horeca Talents
- Young talent teams (students & teachers) will be asked to elaborate on their expectations through a concise dissertation which is fun and easy to elaborate, but which will yield precious information to all stakeholders concerned
- The results of their endeavors and the award winners will be announced through multiple channels, such as:
 - Project Events, such as the Project stakeholders reception @ Horeca Expo, and Early Spring 2025: Gault&Millau Young Horeca Talents Day (selection & announcement of the winning teams
 - A digital magazine (Spring 2025)
 - The project website



Challenges Timings

- In Spring 2025, the Young Talents Day will be organized, where we will reveal the winners of the two full challenges
- Challenges timeline:
 - 15/05/2024: project kick-off event
 - 01/10/2024: last date to confirm your participation
 - 20/11/2024: project networking reception at Horeca Expo 30/11/2024: confirmation of the Challenges your team(s) will submit (Challenge C is optional)
 - 01/03/2025: submission of your Challenges
 - March 2025: Young Horeca Talents Day
- The participating hotel schools, with a team of a few students and a specialist-teacher, will submit their cases which will consist out of 2 challenges (please see next slides)



Challenge A

- In the first challenge, the teams were invited to submit a case with their thoughts on their education, the school and their future, by answering questions such as:
 - What moves our young talents and how do they look to their education and the labor market today?
 - How do they see their Hotel School tomorrow? What would they change?
 - What do our talents want to achieve and experience tomorrow? They can for instance focus on: sustainability & environment, health, client service, ...
 - Where do the Young Talents see themselves in 2030; what are the dreams they want to achieve; what has to be added to present tuition program in order to prepare them even better to the challenges of their future professional life,...



Challenge B – 2025

- In the second challenge, the students are invited to develop/propose a F&B Concept, that they would like to see implemented in their hotel school, for instance in the school restaurant
- This can be very broadly oriented. A few examples: take away or fine dining options; plant based proposals; mocktails in food pairing; ... Anything goes!
- They can support their concept with pictures, movies, and by using the social media techniques of today
- Together with our proud project partners, nice prices will be offered to the award winners & participants. Competing will be as important as winning
- Supplementary "specialty" Challenges focusing on the different branches in Horeca will be added



Challenge C – 2025: Specialty Challenges

- Optionally, the students can participate on individual basis in a Specialty Challenge (linked to one of our partners)
- There is a choice between:
 - sauces (in a broad perspective)
 - meat & deli
 - fish & seafood
 - vegetables & plant based
 - dessert & fruits
 - cocktails & mocktails
- You can find the required information about this challenges in a separate attachment.



What's in it for the students?

- Both challenges will really challenge the students to think about their education in a constructive manner, and also on the career and life lying ahead of them.
- They will be able to win lots of nice & motivating prices, especially the ones "money can't buy": participation to master sessions; presence in a restaurant kitchen; participation to a real life horeca project; visit of reference companies active in the food and beverage industry; invitation to interesting "concept restaurants"; ...
- The Students will be able to work on the Challenges from September 2024 thru March 2025



Gault&Millau Young Horeca Talents Project: Communication Tools

- The following tools will be created to gain visibility for the project, the project participants and the partners:
 - Digital "Young Horeca Talents Magazine", distributed by Gault&Millau and all Hotel Schools (Spring 2025)
 - Young Horeca Talents Day (Spring 2025), where we will award the best cases from the Hotel School Challenge
 - Integration of the project in the prestigious Gault&Millau restaurant guide, printed on 30,000 copies each year
 - Dedicated project website including sector communication & partner communication
- First (extended year): from now until Spring 2025
- This project aims to become the reference the coming years, bringing together the horeca sector, Gault&Millau and its proud partners, in the coming years up to 2030



