

Dusit International marks strong start to the year with accolades for its restaurant and hospitality education operations



Dusit International, one of Thailand's foremost hotel and property development companies, has got off to a strong start this year with success stories at both Dusit Thani Manila hotel in the Philippines, as well as Dusit Thani College in Thailand.

Just one month after re-opening after extensive renovations, including a vibrant new look by Manila-based designer Manny Samson, the signature Benjarong restaurant at Dusit Thani Manila was named one of the 14 Hot New Global Restaurants by CNN Travel, placing in a respectable third place.

"The combination of Thai cuisine with renowned Filipino hospitality looks set to keep Manileños coming back for more," wrote CNN correspondent Chris Dwyer for the renowned media outlet.

Meanwhile, in Thailand, Dusit Thani College has been recognised for its international standards of hospitality education by being the first and only hospitality college in Thailand to receive WORLDCHEFS Global Culinary Certification.

The college, which offers International Bachelor's Degree programmes certified by Ecole hôtelière de Lausanne (EHL) at campuses in Bangkok and Pattaya, as well as courses developed in conjunction with renowned international partners such as Institut Paul Bocuse, was recognised by WORLDCHEFS not only for its international standards of hospitality education and training, but also its active contribution to improving culinary standards worldwide.

"Dusit International is dedicated to excellence in all aspects of its operations, and we are delighted to be recognised for the quality of our services and our vision to uniquely deliver Thai-inspired, gracious hospitality to the world," said Ms Suphajee Suthumpun, Group CEO, Dusit International. "As we continue to expand the scale and reach of our hotel and hospitality education operations worldwide, we look forward to having a positive impact through our mission to exceed expectations - always - as exemplified by our management, staff, instructors, students, and graduates."

Dusit International currently operates 27 hotels and resorts with over 60 properties in the pipeline in key destinations worldwide.

At least eight new hotels are slated to open this year across Bahrain, Bhutan, China, Philippines, Singapore, and Vietnam. In August, Dusit will also open the pioneering Dusit Hospitality Management College, a unique fully integrated hospitality school and hotel in Manila, Philippines.

About Dusit International

Dusit International was founded in 1948 by Honorary Chairperson Thanpuying Chanut Piyaoui, whose first hotel was the Princess on Bangkok's Charoenkrung Road. Today the company is a leader in hotel management and education and comprises a unique international portfolio of distinctive hotels and resorts operating under four brands: Dusit Thani, dusitD2, Dusit Princess and Dusit

Devarana.

The company currently operates 27 properties worldwide and has over 50 confirmed projects in the pipeline in key destinations such as Australia, Bhutan, China, Indonesia, Kenya, Myanmar, Oman, Philippines, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, Thailand, Turkey, and UAE.

Dusit International also operates the signature Devarana Spa and has a fast-growing Education Division. The latter, established in 1993, comprises Dusit Thani College, which offers vocational and postgraduate hospitality degrees at campuses in Bangkok and Pattaya; and Le Cordon Bleu Dusit Culinary School.

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