



HMSHost's Food Village, the future of food courts, opens at Dubai International (DXB)

Schiphol, 13 February 2020 - Dubai International (DXB), the world's busiest international airport with some 87m passengers travelling through each year, is now home to an exciting 1720m2 Food Village by HMSHost International – a welcome addition for the many travellers. HMSHost International, a global market leader in the travel industry, is supporting the growth of DXB with these exciting new openings.

With a focus on innovation, underlining their global approach, Dubai International Airport has partnered with HMSHost International to bring the food court of the future to the airport. Food Village combines the best of design, brands and engagement to create a truly future-focused food court experience for passengers. From an eclectic dining setting reminiscent of a Middle Eastern sense of place, and intelligent lighting design to direct passenger flow, through to live cooking elements and the first truly mobile food cart, Food Village can take passengers around the world in ten plates.

Combining franchise brands with home grown heroes, Food Village is an expression of HMSHost's ability to select the best performers from across the globe and bring them together in a cohesive setting. The new location at DXB's Concourse C (Terminal 3) features strong international brands like **KFC**, **McDonalds**, and American Chinese Restaurant, **Panda**. The oh-so-delicious and ready-to-go wraps of **Qfta** appeal to the needs of local customers, while **Taste of India** brings the hustle and bustle of Indian street food culture to DXB. **Flour & Stone** has the best flat breads, tarts and other sweets, while **Pop-top** provides exquisite home-made gelato and Italian coffee. The Food Village is further complimented by a bar and fully integrated refreshment station as well as fully-mobile food-cart style outlets to serve during peaks.

Since 2012 HMSHost International has partnered with the operator Dubai Airports, working together to realise the Airport's vision for their food and beverage offering. This newest opening represents the next phase in the journey together as partners. Walter Seib, CEO of HMSHost International, is grateful that Dubai Airports has chosen to expand on their partnership; "It's a great achievement for us that we are rewarded for our brand offer, consumer insights and operational excellence. We are proud of the cooperation, the trust and the performance of our partnership, and are looking forward to an even longer and more successful cooperation for many years to come. Together we make our guests feel good on the move."





Eugene Barry, Dubai Airports' EVP Commercial commented; "Dubai Airports has enjoyed a successful partnership with HMSHost for a number of years, and our partnership has evolved as customer expectations and travel behaviour has developed. The addition of these 14 new food concepts supports our strategy to not only be the world's busiest international airport, but also the world's best for customer experience."

About HMSHost

HMSHost is a world leader in creating dining experiences for travel venues, operating international and proprietary brands in more than 120 airports around the globe. Through its HMSHost International division, the company has F&B operations at 43 airports, 35 train stations and 7 shopping malls in Europe, the Middle East, Asia and the Pacific. HMSHost is part of Autogrill Group – the world's leading provider of food & beverage services for people on the move. Visit www.hmshost.international for more information and connect with HMSHost International on LinkedIn and Twitter.