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## Autogrill Group wins 10 prizes at the FAB Conference & Awards 2021

After a year's interruption, the event on airport catering is back, in the name of LEAD, INSPIRE, TRANSFORM.

Milan, 18<sup>th</sup> October 2021– This year Autogrill - world's leading provider of food & beverage services for travellers - was again the main sponsor of the **FAB CONFERENCE & AWARDS** (Food&Beverage Awards), the international event about the airport F&B world organised by the magazine "The Moodie Davitt Report", now back online after the stop in 2020.

The day's speeches were inspired by the main theme of the event, "LEAD. INSPIRE. TRANSFORM.", to reflect the dramatic changes that the whole industry went through because of the pandemic and to find new, challenging solutions for the F&B world on a global scale.

New this year, the **FAB Superstars Awards** put the limelight on the thousands of everyday "heroes" and "heroines" who, with dedication and resilience, have helped keep the Travel Food & Beverage industry up and running during the public health emergency.

The excellence, hard work and team spirit of the people and teams in the industry have been rewarded by recognizing the FAB Superstars in 5 categories:

Star team, Star Individual, Star Story (team or individual), Innovation (team or individual), Humanity, Leadership & Inspiration (team or individual).

**Gianmario Tondato Da Ruos**, Autogrill Group Chief Executive Officer, said: «We are very proud that the Teams, the people at Autogrill Group have won so many awards at such a prestigious event as the FAB CONFERENCE & AWARDS 2021, which we attended for many years. Despite the fact that the Covid-19 pandemic was and still is an unprecedented crisis, Autogrill, thanks to the efforts of its employees, who despite this extremely challenging situation have continued to work with commitment and dedication to the customer, is optimistic about the future»



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For each category, Autogrill nominated people or teams who hold different roles, such as front-of-house, kitchen or store administration, and received these prestigious awards:

### **CATEGORY STAR TEAM**

- \*Star Team Americas: Front of House
   Starbucks Airside E Team, TPA Airport, USA, HMSHost North America Autogrill/HMSHost
- \*Star Team Europe: Stores / Admin / Logistics
   Maria Markach & Vladimir Rybakov, Shift Leaders, Pulkovo Airport, Russia, HMSHost
   International Autogrill/HMSHost
- \*Star Team Middle East & Africa: Front of House
   Middle East Team, UAE & Qatar, HMSHost International Autogrill/HMSHost

## **CATEGORY STAR INDIVIDUAL**

• \*Star Individual Americas: Front of House

Freddie Maldonado, Server, Cigar City Brewing, TPA Airport, USA, HMSHost North America - Autogrill/HMSHost

\*Star Individual Europe: Front of House

Erdal Sarı, Food & Beverage Associate, Sabiha Gökçen Airport, Turkey, HMSHost International - Autogrill/HMSHost

\*Star Individual Europe: Stores / Admin / Logistics

Sonja Hohle, HR Manager Shared Services, The Netherlands, HMSHost International - Autogrill/HMSHost

### **CATEGORY STAR STORY**

• \*Star Story Asia Pacific: Stores / Admin / Logistics

Ho Thi Anh Guong, Accounting Officer, Phu Quoc Airport, Vietnam, HMSHost International - Autogrill/HMSHost



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• \*Star Story Europe: Front of House
Lisa Uranie, Shift Manager, Amsterdam Airport Schiphol, The Netherlands, HMSHost
International - Autogrill/HMSHost

# **HUMANITY, LEADERSHIP & INSPIRATION**

- \*Humanity, Leadership & Inspiration Asia Pacific: Front of House
   Bangalore Team, Bangalore Airport, India, HMSHost International Autogrill/HMSHost
- \*Humanity, Leadership & Inspiration Asia Pacific: Logistics / Warehouse
   David Mackay, Regional Managing Director for Asia Pacific, Vietnam, HMSHost International
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