



Dutch hospitality manager Marcel van Aelst receives the European Hospitality Foundation award



The Hague, 6 November 2015 – Marcel van Aelst, receives today the European Hospitality Foundation (EHF) award, a prize granted by the European hospitality industry for Mr. Aelst’s exceptional contribution to the hospitality sector in the Netherlands and worldwide.

“I am glad to honour Marcel van Aelst with the symbol of prestige of the hospitality sector, for his many years of work contributing to the development of tourism in Europe and around the world.”, said Ms. Susanne Kraus-Winkler, President of Hotrec and of the EHF.

“This award aims at recognising Mr. Marcel van Aelst dedication and many achievements in the field of the tourism sector over the last decades”, added Mr. Joan Gaspart, Vice-President of EHF.

Marcel van Aelst committed his entire life to hospitality and to developing tourism in the Netherlands and other countries, such as Austria, Denmark, U.S.A or Japan. Along his professional career he continuously demonstrated his enormous commitment to the hospitality sector in a wide range of executive positions. He is also praised for his pioneering role in the gastronomy field.

The European Hospitality Foundation award is delivered twice a year to a personality who has contributed, in a remarkable manner, and for a significant number of years to the activities of the hospitality industry. The EHF award was designed by Miquel Planas, famous artist and chairman of the Sculpture Department of Fine Arts of the Fine Arts Faculty of Barcelona. The next EHF award ceremony will take place on 29 April 2016 in Bratislava.

What is EHF?

The European Hospitality Foundation (EHF) was created in 2006 and its objective is to finance non-profit projects related to HOTREC's activities. For more information: <http://www.hotrec.eu/about-us/european-hospitality-foundation.aspx>

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