

EXPLORATORY NOTICE

Subject: Public Notice for expression of Interest for Technical Sponsorships for the World Week of Italian Cuisine 2021

In the framework of the World Week of Italian Cuisine – VI Edition taking place from 22nd to 28th November 2021, the Embassy of Italy in New Delhi intends to acquire the expression of interest for technical sponsorships for the supply of wines and liquors and ingredients for the Gala Dinner, lighting installations for the Gala Dinner, Gift Hampers for collateral events, domestic flight tickets for Collateral Events in other Indian Cities from economic operators.

Framework of operations

In order to highlight the Italian culinary excellences, this Embassy is working on multiple activities aiming to engage media, influencers, chefs, institutions, business people and representatives from the Indian and Italian communities.

The gala dinner will kick start Gala Dinner at the Residenza d'Italia Gardens (Ambassador's Lawn) on 22nd November. Chef Adriano Baldassarre (*Michelin Star) will be curating and executing a special menu for 80 vip guests to enhance traditional recipes from the South of Italy in accordance with food sustainability. Collateral events will include a Junior Chefs MasterClass in New Delhi, a Gala Dinner in Mumbai and a Gala Dinner in Kolkata organized by the Consulates General of Italy.

Definitions:

- 1 The organisation wishing to enter into a technical sponsorship contract with the Embassy will be known as the "sponsor". Sponsors can be public or private bodies, companies or other subjects, who wish to promote their name, brand, activity, product, services or similar, through a collaboration with the Embassy.
- 2 The relationship between the Embassy and the sponsor will be governed by a contract, which will comply with applicable legislation. "Technical Sponsorship contract" refers to a bilateral contract in which the Embassy provides the sponsor with a platform during events to publicise the sponsor's business name, logo, brand or product, in return for provision of a good or service by the sponsor.
- 3 "Technical Sponsorship" refers to any unremunerated contribution in the form of goods, provisions or interventions made by the sponsor for promotional purposes. The sponsor will cover the cost of taxes, duties, fees, insurance or any other payment required by law or regulations that is incurred in executing the contract.

Conditions of selection:

The purpose of this notice is to invite proposals from potential sponsors. It is not a call for tender. It does not oblige the Embassy to enter into a contract or bind the Embassy in any other way.

Any proposals submitted will not be ranked, attributed a score or classified by merit in any other way. If the Embassy receives a proposal that it wishes to consider, it will contact the person or company submitting the proposal. The Embassy also reserves the right to seek sponsorship directly through its own contacts.

Sponsorship proposals will be assessed by the Embassy for economy, effectiveness, timeliness and appropriateness, as per the regulations in force, in a procedure based on legal, nondiscriminatory, transparent and sound administration practices and taking into account environmental protection and energy efficiency.

The Embassy reserves the right to decline proposals that, due to the nature of the sponsorship and/or the activity of the sponsor, are deemed incompatible with the Embassy's function, or that risk creating conflicts of interest, or that risk compromising the Embassy's image or activities, or that do not comply with Italian law.

Specific contractual clauses: The sponsorship contract will include a clause that specifically allows the Embassy to withdraw from the contract for reasons dictated by foreign policy, upon request by the Embassy, without conditions or limitations, at no charge. In the event of such a withdrawal, the Embassy will return any advance payments made by the sponsor but will not liable to pay for services already provided or debt incurred by the sponsor. The Embassy will not be held liable for any exceptional circumstances or force majeure that entail the cancellation of any sponsored events.

The Embassy may appoint more than one sponsor for a single initiative. No sponsor may claim exclusivity.

Modality for the Submission of the expression of interest:

Expressions of interest should be sent to **commerciale.ambnewdelhi@esteri.it** with the subject EXPRESSION OF INTEREST IN SPONSORSHIP FOR THE WWIC 2021 and should include the following:

- a) Name, legal and tax details of the person/company submitting the proposal;
- b) Details of the products/services supplied with quantities and description and approximate value.

Submission of the offer deadline

21st October 2021

New Delhi, 12th October 2021

Vincenzo de Luca
Ambassador