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Rome – 20<sup>th</sup> September 2018 - Bvlgari Hotels & Resorts is extremely proud to announce that **Il Ristorante Niko Romito at the Bvlgari Hotel Shanghai** has been **awarded a Michelin Star** during the Michelin Guide presentation ceremony held in Shanghai yesterday, September 19<sup>th</sup> 2018.

Il Ristorante Niko Romito at the Bvlgari Hotel Shanghai opened only 3 months ago, on the 20<sup>th</sup> of June 2018, together with the inauguration of the hotel, and followed the recent openings in the Bvlgari properties of Beijing and Dubai.

Niko Romito, chef patron of 3 Michelin starred restaurant Reale in Abruzzo ranked 36<sup>th</sup> amongst the World's 50 Best list, is now one of the very few Michelin awarded chefs in Italy to receive this prestigious acknowledgement also abroad.



Silvio Ursini, Bvlgari Group Executive Vice President, commented as follows: *'We are delighted by this recognition by the revered Michelin Guide, which has awarded not only the skills of our team in Shanghai, but also the innovative partnership between the Bvlgari brand and Niko Romito, with whom we share the same philosophy and approach to luxury hospitality.'*

Chef Niko Romito, echoing the excitement for this prestigious result said: *"It's amazing to receive this acknowledgement after only three months from the opening, on the other side of the world. Together with a great group and after two years of study and research we developed a new model of Italian cuisine for the luxury world that speaks 100% Italian. This is the strength of this project"*.

The collaboration between Bvlgari Hotels and Resorts and Niko Romito started 1 year ago in occasion of the opening of the Bvlgari Hotel Beijing on the 27<sup>th</sup> of September 2017. Currently, Il Ristorante Niko Romito is also present in the Bvlgari properties of Dubai, Shanghai and Milan and features **a new gastronomic concept** that the chef specially designed for Bvlgari Hotels & Resorts, result of nearly **two years of study**.

This menu, based on the chef's philosophy of **simplicity, synthesis**, and a quest for the **quintessence of flavor**, establishes a **true "canon" of contemporary Italian cuisine** that expresses the culture, elegance and vitality of 'Made in Italy' to the maximum. Starting from traditional recipes, the ending point of the menu is a punctual yet updated philological reinterpretation of Italian heritage that is streamlined and essential.

The resident chef at the Bvlgari Hotel Shanghai is Davide Capucchio.

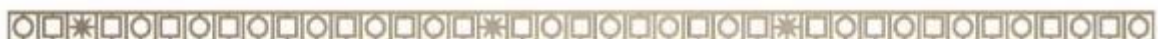
After a long experience in Michelin-starred restaurants between Italy and France, in 2017 **Davide joined the Accademia Niko Romito for 1 year** and worked closely with chef Romito to develop the new gastronomic concept for Bvlgari Hotels & Resorts. Thereafter he moved to China and took the helm of the Il Ristorante Niko Romito at the Bvlgari Hotel Shanghai.

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*Unique locations in harmony with the surrounding area, the blend of traditional design with dramatic contemporary Italian architecture by the architectural firm Antonio Citterio Patricia Viel and superior service crafted with the same attention to quality that has always distinguished Bvlgari creations. These are the key elements that characterize The Bvlgari Hotels & Resorts collection.*

*For all the hotels the approach is the same: the design of the interiors is strongly rooted in the traditions of the location, and careful attention is paid to every detail in a tribute to absolute luxury.*



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*Having grown from a collection of three iconic Hotels & Resorts in Milan, London and Bali, Bvlgari Hotels & Resorts has recently been enriched with the Beijing and the Dubai properties. The Bvlgari Hotel Shanghai is the sixth jewel of the collection opened in 2018, while three new Bvlgari Hotels are due to open from 2020 to 2022 in Moscow, Paris and Tokyo.*

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