

CHEF APPRECIATION WEEK – CELEBRATING OUR INSPIRING CHEFS

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This week Compass Group PLC, the global leader in food and support services, marks [Chef Appreciation Week 2023](#) (10 to 16 September) with a week-long celebration of exceptional culinary talent from around the world.

Launched in 2013 and hosted by Compass Group, Chef Appreciation Week brings together the global food and hospitality industries to recognise the amazing jobs that talented chefs and culinary teams do every single day.

The theme of this year's campaign is: *"Great People Inspire Great Food"*, reflecting how Compass' 200,000 culinarians worldwide are using food as a driving force for good, in our kitchens, client venues, and the wider community.

At Compass, chefs and culinarians are integral to our success. As strategic business leaders, they're unlocking opportunities and accelerating our impact in important areas like sustainability, purchasing, talent attraction and consumer health and wellbeing.

Throughout the week, Compass teams from almost 40 countries will come together – across offices, schools, hospitals, defence sites, and sporting venues – to show their appreciation for these skilled culinarians who serve, excite and inspire them on a daily basis.

Celebratory events are planned worldwide and inspiring stories of Compass' chefs and frontline teams will be shared on social media throughout the week using the hashtags [#ChefAppreciationWeek](#) and [#LoveMyChef](#).

Dominic Blakemore, Group CEO of Compass Group PLC, said:

"At Compass, we're fortunate to have more than 200,000 chefs and brilliant culinarians who are using their talent and influence to lead the continued success of our business, the health and wellbeing of their local communities, and the professional development of their teams."

"As business leaders, they're prioritising local sourcing, fighting food waste, redistributing surplus food, pioneering social value, championing charity, promoting health and wellness, and so much more. I couldn't be prouder of the impact they make."

"During Chef Appreciation Week and beyond, join me by taking the time to say thank you and celebrate the wonderful contributions that chefs and culinary teams make day in day out, not just in our business, but around the world."

Chef Jennifer Cox, VP Culinary – Levy Restaurants at Compass Group USA and member of the Compass Group Global Culinary Council, added:

"We've recently established [Compass' Global Culinary Council](#), a group of senior chef leaders from across our business who meet regularly to share experiences and drive forward our strategic approach in some incredibly important areas. Since the Council's launch, we've presented our ideas and strategies to the Group Executive Committee and Board, and brought together almost 3,000 chefs globally through our Global Culinary Forum webinars."

"As chefs at Compass, we're empowered to drive real change – both for people and our planet – and Chef Appreciation Week is the perfect opportunity to recognise all the heroes behind the food."