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MICHAEL KOTH, GENERAL MANAGER OF EMIRATES PALACE, ABU DHABI

Michael Koth, a veteran in the hospitality industry, is the General Manager of the iconic Emirates Palace, Abu Dhabi and Area Vice President of Operations of Mandarin Oriental.

A German Swiss national, Koth brings a wealth of experience and knowledge spanning over 35 years making him perfectly equipped to manage all aspects around the rebranding.

Prior to his appointment with Mandarin Oriental, Koth has held a number of senior leadership positions at the InterContinental Hotel Group, including General Manager of the InterContinental, Doha and Cairo. He then moved to IHG's corporate office in Dubai as General Manager, Operations Support and subsequently took on the role of Director of Operations, Levant overseeing 13 hotels by three brands.

Koth's hospitality journey then brought him to Asia where he spent two years as Director of IHG's Luxury and Lifestyle Resorts for Southeast Asia, responsible for overseeing pre-opening hotels, repositioning of luxury resorts and leading the full refurbishment of InterContinental Bali Resort.

Commenting on his appointment, Koth said "My goal at Emirates Palace, Abu Dhabi, is to continue to build upon the legacy of this iconic property. It is a great honour to lead the vision of the owners and Mandarin Oriental Hotel Group in achieving a successful rebranding and delivering exemplary service standards and an unparalleled sense of place."

Koth is fluent in English, French and German and was awarded General Manager of the year – Middle East in 2016 by World Luxury Hotel Awards. He is a fan of contemporary art, culture and opera and in his leisure time, he enjoys playing cricket, badminton and travelling with his family.



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