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Forty-nine star Jeunes Restaurateurs chefs bring their culinary art to the enchanting tropical location of Diamonds Hotels & Resorts. Now the Diamonds Athuruga and Diamonds Thudufushi in the Maldives are joined by the Diamonds Star of the East in Zanzibar.

Ernesto Lavastro, President of Jeunes Restaurateurs d’Europe, gives an enthusiastic welcome to an initiative that brings prestige to the entire association.
The third edition of "Dining with the Stars", the gourmet event that brings together the star chefs of the Jeunes Restaurateurs in the most exclusive kitchens of the Planhotel Hospitality Group’s Diamonds Hotels & Resorts, promises to introduce a wealth of new features. After the success of 2015 and 2016, the group has renewed and widened its partnership with the association of talented young individuals, all of whom share a passion for their work and a philosophy that combines creativity and skillful preparation based on tradition and local products. This time guests’ palates will be pampered not only by Italian chefs - members of the JRE from all over Europe will be coming to present their unique dishes in this enchanting location, creating a unique sensory experience.

The growing reach of Dining with the Stars has also extended the list of resorts involved to include the Diamonds Athuruga and Diamonds Thudufushi in the Maldives. Now they are joined by the Diamonds Star of the East, one of the most exclusive resorts
on the island of Zanzibar and the pride of the Diamonds Hotels & Resorts, a brand owned by Planhotel Hospitality Group, affiliated to the prestigious Small Luxury Hotels of The World chain. Ernesto Iacovino, President of Jeunes Restaurateurs d’Europe, says that “everyone in the association has greeted the initiative with great enthusiasm. Being able to present yourself in Diamonds Hotels & Resorts’ dream destinations in the Maldives and on Zanzibar is a wonderful opportunity. Every week from the beginning of January to the end of April, forty-nine chefs from the JRE will create the à la carte menu at the three resorts, tempting guests with a variety of signature dishes. On arrival each chef will feature in a cookery demonstration held in the laid-back atmosphere of the Buffet Restaurants, giving a foretaste of their skills. The real culinary spectacle takes place with the “gala dinner”, an exclusive six-course gourmet dinner served in the setting of the lovely Over Water Restaurants of Athuruga and Thudufushi, and Ocean Blue Restaurant of Zanzibar. Finally, committed foodies will be given the chance to join the weekly cookery classes, where the JRE chefs will reveal recipes and secrets from their own kitchens. “The Dining with the Stars initiative is inspired by the Planhotel philosophy, which seeks to make every holiday an exciting journey packed with unique, memorable experiences”, says Sara Ross, president and CEO of the Planhotel Hospitality Group. “We are pleased and honoured to continue our collaboration with the young talents of the JRE and see it grow, thanks to the great success of the first two editions”.