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GOLDEN SANDS RESORT, PENANG APPOINTS NEW EXECUTIVE CHEF

Golden Sands Resort, Penang has appointed Frederick Kho as executive chef of the resort.

Chef Kho has over 16 years of experience in the food and beverage division of hotel operations, and in his new position he will head a team of 60 kitchen personnel. His management duties will cover planning, directing, co-ordinating, supervising, training and controlling food costs. He will collaborate with the food and beverage service team to create memorable dining experiences for resort guests. He will develop and implement innovative menus and events, drive for effective operational cost control, ensure the highest level of food quality and hygiene, maintain efficient administrative practices within the department and inspire the team towards success with internal talent development.

A native of Kuala Lumpur, Chef Kho's most recent posting was at Shangri-La Hotel, Singapore as executive sous chef, having returned to the Shangri-La family in 2010. He first joined Shangri-La Hotels and Resorts as a commis chef at Shangri-La Hotel, Kuala Lumpur, moving to other properties within the group as well as being a member of the opening team for a new hotel.

Chef Kho holds a Diploma in Hotel and Catering Management from Stamford College and has certificates in cookery, essential food hygiene, tourism and hotel and catering management from both City and Guilds and Stamford College.

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Chef Kho has been involved in cooking competitions since the mid-1990s and has participated in competitions in Malaysia and Germany, where he won the bronze award during the 2004 *Internationale Kochkunst Ausstellung* (Culinary Olympics) in Erfurt.

For more information, please call Malaysia toll-free on 1300 88 7388 or Singapore toll-free on 001 800 8388 8388. Alternatively, call Golden Sands Resort, Penang directly on (60 4) 886 1911 or e-mail <u>reservations.gsh@shangri-la.com</u>.

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