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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE Salvatore Pisani named Area General Manager of the Year 2026

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Salvatore Pisani has been named Area General Manager of the Year 2026 at the European Hotel Awards, recognising executive leadership across Starhotels' Venetian properties, including Splendid Venice and Hotel Gabrielli.

Leadership across distinctive hotel identities

Area management requires the ability to protect the individual identity of each property while maintaining coherent standards, commercial discipline and a shared service culture. In Venice, this responsibility is exercised within one of Europe's most demanding and internationally visible hospitality destinations.

Pisani's recognition reflects an approach in which operational leadership, team engagement and the character of each hotel are considered together. The role extends beyond the management of a single property: it requires perspective across different guest journeys, teams and operational priorities while preserving the authenticity expected of landmark Venetian hotels.

The logic behind Area General Manager of the Year 2026

The European Hotel Awards follow a qualitative and editorial selection approach rather than public voting or automated ranking. The distinction recognises leadership, consistency, service culture and the capacity to coordinate several hotel environments while respecting their individual positioning and identity.

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