

**THE YOUNG HOTELIER OF THE YEAR HAD A SNEAK PEEK INTO THE OPERATION OF THE INTERCONTINENTAL® BUDAPEST**



**The Hungarian Association of Hotels and Restaurants (MSZÉSZ) - which celebrates its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year - announced its professional competition again known as the 'Young Hotelier of the Year', to discover and award the most talented hotel expert under 35 for his or her outstanding performance. Next to the prominent prize, the award winner has the chance to have a sneak peek into the operation of an international hotel brand – the InterContinental® Budapest comes into picture at this point seeing that for years it has hosted the Young Hotelier and has showed him/her the secrets of a global hotel management for a week.**

In 2017 the advisory board of the association awarded Zsuzsanna Nagy this esteemed prize. Zsuzsanna, who has already gained more than 10 years of professional experience in the tourism and hotel industry, has mainly worked in smaller countryside hotels, similarly to the previous year's winner, Zsolt Galló. For that reason, it is an exceptional opportunity to have a closer look at the unique processes of an international hotel brand such as the InterContinental® Budapest, which has been awarded the title

Hungary's Leading Business Hotel in 2018 on the World Travel Awards. The Training and Development Manager of the hotel, Viktória Kloss said the following about this initiative: *“As our hotel puts great emphasis on developing our colleagues' leadership skills and it provides room for talent to grow, it is a great pleasure for us that with our help these talented young professionals can discover the most essential and characteristic features of international hotel management. This was the third time when we opened our doors to ‘the Young Hotelier of the Year’, and according to the feedbacks, this one-week professional program is an invaluable milestone in each winner's career. This makes us very proud.”* The latest winner, Zsuzsanna Nagy had a chance to learn about the work of the hotel's Human resources, Accounting, Sales and Marketing, Banqueting and Front Office, thanks to the department leaders' dedicated attitude. After acquiring valuable knowledge about the unique processes of InterContinental® Hotels & Resorts, Zsuzsanna said the following: *„Thanks to this prominent award, I had a chance to get to know how InterContinental Budapest is operated. It was great honour for me! Thanks to the logical, well-constructed program I got acquainted with every departments' tasks and responsibilities. Each colleague welcomed me warmly, and besides their friendly and willing attitude, I received professional tips and insights. I spent truly exciting days here and I saw a new world within the hotel industry. I am really grateful for this experience!*

As one of our key values is to raise future leaders within the IHG® brand and the tourism industry, it is a real honour for us that The Hungarian Association of Hotels and Restaurants partners with our hotel in this great initiative.

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