

Exclusive Authority: Why International Culinary and Gastronomy Judging Titles Are the Sole Property of the International Union of Arab Master Chefs and Its ICGA Authority

A Global Legal Framework Ending Title Abuse and Establishing a Single Arbitration Reference

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From Chaos to Authority:

How IUOAMC and ICGA Restored Legitimacy to International Culinary Judging

In a world where professional titles are increasingly distributed without regulation, and where amateurs are often confused with professionals, the **International Union of Arab Master Chefs (International Union of Arab Master Chefs - IUOAMC)** and its official arbitration authority, the **International Culinary & Gastronomy Arbitration**

(International Culinary & Gastronomy Arbitration - ICGA), have successfully imposed **law, legitimacy, and global reference** on a profession that for decades had been open to anyone wishing to place the title *“International Judge”* before their name.

Today, the equation has fundamentally changed.

The world now understands that **a title is not an ornament — it is a responsibility**, and that **only one legally authorized body has the right to grant it**.

1. From Disorder to Structure:

A Profession in Need of a Supreme Authority

For many years, the title *“International Judge”* was widely used without:

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- Accredited training
 - Unified professional standards
 - A legally responsible authority
 - An official international registry
 - Governance frameworks or ethical codes

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This regulatory vacuum allowed numerous organizations — both Arab and international — to distribute titles arbitrarily, causing serious harm to the credibility of professional culinary competitions.

Even long-established organizations such as **WorldChefs** granted judging titles **without a registered arbitration system or a legally recognized judicial framework**.

That era is now over.

2. ICGA:

The World's First Officially Registered International Culinary Arbitration Authority

International Culinary & Gastronomy Arbitration Ltd (UK) is the only entity **worldwide** that:

- Is **legally registered in the United Kingdom**
- Is **explicitly specialized in culinary and gastronomy arbitration**
- Holds exclusive authority to **issue international judging titles and grades**
- Possesses **executive powers to regulate and monitor the profession**
- Provides **standardized, accredited arbitration and judging programs**
- Operates under the **international executive charter issued by IUOAMC**

ICGA is **not a symbolic body**, but a fully constituted **international arbitration institution** with legal personality and multi-jurisdictional recognition.

3. Protected Titles and Prohibition of Unauthorized Use

IUOAMC and ICGA hereby affirm that the following titles are **exclusive and protected**, and may not be used without **explicit written authorization**:

- International Culinary Judge
- International Gastronomy Judge

- Global Culinary Arbitrator
- Certified International Judge – ICGA
- International Culinary & Gastronomy Judge

These titles constitute:

- ✓ Protected professional designations
- ✓ Official accreditation marks
- ✓ Legal intellectual and professional rights of IUOAMC
- ✓ Titles whose misuse is strictly prohibited

4. Even WorldChefs Has No Right to Use These Titles Without Authorization

Pursuant to the **International Executive Instrument for Entity Unification (EX-01-2025)** and the governing legal framework of IUOAMC and ICGA:

Even WorldChefs — or any other global organization — has no legal right to use the title “International Judge” or any similar designation related to international culinary or gastronomy arbitration without explicit written authorization issued by IUOAMC and ICGA.

The reasons are clear and unequivocal:

- WorldChefs is **not a legally registered arbitration authority**
- It is a culinary association, **not a judicial or arbitral body**
- It holds **no registered international arbitration system**

- Therefore, it has **no legal competence** to grant international arbitration titles

All arbitration-related titles now fall **exclusively under the legal jurisdiction of ICGA**.

No entity — regardless of its name, age, or reputation — may lawfully use these titles without official authorization.

5. Why This Exclusivity Is Necessary

Because international culinary arbitration requires:

- A single authority to unify standards
- A credible and enforceable ethical system
- Verifiable certifications and licenses
- Protection against impersonation and fraud
- A global reference body with disciplinary authority

Such objectives **cannot be achieved** if titles remain open to uncontrolled use.

This exclusivity is **not about dominance** —

It is about **protecting the profession**.

6. Official Declaration

The **International Union of Arab Master Chefs (IUOAMC)** and the **International Culinary & Gastronomy Arbitration (ICGA)** hereby declare:

Any individual or entity — including WorldChefs or any other organization —

that uses international culinary arbitration titles **without official written authorization** is considered to be in **international violation** and in **direct breach of the legal rights and regulatory framework** of IUOAMC and ICGA.

Final Statement:

International Judging Is Not a Name — It Is a Global Responsibility

From this point forward:

- Titles are **not granted arbitrarily**
- Titles are **not used without authorization**
- Titles are **recognized only through ICGA**

The dignity of international culinary arbitration has been restored.
The era of impersonation and uncontrolled title distribution has ended.

Today, the **International Union of Arab Master Chefs** stands as
the world's primary and supreme reference authority
for international culinary and gastronomy arbitration.