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GELATO EUROPE CUP 2025 – OFFICIAL REGULATIONS

Sigep - IEG Italian Exhibition Group S.p.A. in collaboration with Gelato e Cultura srl organizes the **Gelato Europe Cup**.

The event takes place on January the 18th – 19th 2025 at SIGEP - The World Expo for Foodservice Excellence - Pavilion A7 - FIERA DI RIMINI-Via Emilia, 155 – Rimini

INTRODUCTION

FORMAT

The event called "Gelato Europe Cup" was born from the synergy between the main reference names in the gelato field and thanks to IEG Italian Exhibition Group S.p.A. hosting the Gelato World Cup. This biennial event, in its first edition, consists of a team competition (each team consists of two professionals, with at least one gelato maker, and a Team Manager) from all over Europe and will take place during the exhibition called "Sigep – The World Expo for Foodservice Excellence" 2025 edition.

The official languages of the Gelato Europe Cup are Italian and English.

MANAGEMENT

The Event Management comprises representatives from Gelato e Cultura S.r.l. and Italian Exhibition Group S.p.A.

CONTROL COMMITTEE

The Control Committee, in which each member has voting rights in case of disputes, has the role of making final judgments regarding any complaints from the teams or violations of these regulations. The committee will consist of:



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- **President of the Gelato World Cup:** Sergio Colalucci
- **Gelato e Cultura S.r.l. Delegate:** Giancarlo Timballo, Honorary President of the Gelato World Cup, acting as a guarantor.
- **Jury President:** Mr. Alfio Tarateta, who will act as a reference point and coordinator for the juries. Along with the commissioners, he will report any objections raised by the teams to the notary public.

Competition Commissioners: Responsible for overseeing the competitors during the event to ensure proper conduct and compliance with the competition rules. They will also coordinate with the teams regarding any requests or disputes before the jury.

Notary public: A legal figure responsible for guaranteeing the validity of the Event and ensuring the formal and correct application of the rules.

SELECTION APPLICATION

By September 14, 2024, the interested nation must register its team to participate in the Gelato Europe Cup by submitting its application to the Event Management, providing the documentation as described below. The Team Manager will be responsible for formalizing the registration.

TITLE

The winning team will earn the title of “European Champion,” holding the title until the next edition and automatically qualifying for the Gelato World Cup. The top four (4) teams will qualify for the Gelato World Cup (if one of the qualified teams withdraws, the fifth-placed team will be selected).

TEAMS

Each team will consist of two (2) competitors with expertise in Gelato, Pastry-Chocolatier, and one Team Manager. The three team members must either be citizens of the country they represent or have worked in that country for at least five (5) years. If no valid proof of residency or citizenship is provided, the Gelato World Cup management will review the case and make a final decision.

The nations that qualify may change all team members for the 2026 World Cup.



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REGISTRATION

Each Team Manager will receive links to the *application form*, which must be fully completed by no later than September 14, 2024.

The submitted applications will be reviewed by the organizing committee, and all teams will be notified of their application status via email by September 20, 2024.

LIST OF ADMITTED TEAMS

The list of selected teams for the 2nd edition of the Gelato Europe Cup will be published on the sigep.it website at the end of September.

CHANGES WITHIN THE TEAMS

Should one or more team members need to be replaced after December 1 due to serious and documented reasons, the Team Manager must promptly notify the competition management by email. The management reserves the right to approve or deny such replacements.

JURIES

The competition will be evaluated by three different juries, each with a specific role:

- **Artistic Jury:** Composed of Team Managers, they will evaluate the decorative and aesthetic aspects of the various trials.
- **Technical Jury:** Composed of three professional judges from the WORLD ASSOCIATION OF CHEFS SOCIETIES - WORLDCHEFS, they will assess all aspects related to the flavor of the creations.

Additionally, a **jury of food and wine journalists** will present a special award for the challenge titled “the upcycled gelato”, recovery gelato which aligns with recent guidelines on food recovery and sustainability. Their vote will not be included in the final scoring.



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COMPETITION TRAILS OF THE GELATO EUROPE CUP

1. "Upcycled Gelato" tub
2. Gelato cake
3. Single-portion in glass
4. Mystery box cream
5. Mystery box fruit
6. sticks



The list of allergens must be included at the bottom of each recipe*

The Event Management may freely use the recipes, including sharing them with third parties collaborating with the organization, without any compensation to the teams or individual members.

*The organization will provide an allergens list along with the regulations.

RECEPIES

The registered teams must submit their recipe book (in English) in Word format by December 1 at the latest, using the form provided by the organization. The form must include photos or drawings of the creations, descriptions, titles, themes, and allergens.

MANDATORY INGREDIENTS

Teams are required to use the sponsor's products where indicated in the technical guidelines. The use of competing products is strictly prohibited. The mandatory products indicated in the competition trials must be used in the gelato production.

BOXES

The allocation of competition boxes will be drawn and announced by November.



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AWARDS

- Gelato Europe Cup prize for the teams that qualify for the Gelato World Cup 2026.
- Press jury prize.

DISPUTES

Any disputes must be submitted in writing by the Team Manager to the Competition Commissioners within 30 minutes after the end of the relevant trial.

HOSPITALITY, TRAVEL, AND REIMBURSEMENTS

a) **Hospitality:**

Accommodation expenses for the team will be covered by the organization, which will arrange hotel reservations. The organization will also cover meals and lodging for the Team Manager and competitors.

b) **Travel Expenses:**

- For teams requiring travel arrangements, bookings and associated costs will be handled by the organization. The IEG Travel Office will contact each Team Manager to determine the most cost-effective travel solution.
- Flights will be booked in economy class at the best possible rate, including one checked bag per person, with departure and arrival from the same city.
- For teams opting to travel by car, they must inform the event secretariat (gelatoevents@ie-gexpo.it). The maximum reimbursement for car travel will be €500 per team.

Reimbursement requests must always be accompanied by scanned copies of all travel documents (receipts, invoices, etc.) and must be submitted to the organizational office no later than January 29, 2025. Credit card transaction receipts will not be accepted as valid documentation for reimbursement purposes. The reimbursement will be processed to the bank account provided by the Team Manager, who will be responsible for distributing the amount among the team members.

Please note that the IEG Travel Office will handle flight bookings exclusively for the team manager and team members, and not for any other individuals.



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WEARING

It is strictly forbidden to display any machinery, materials, or advertising during the competition that is not from the official sponsors. This applies to brands or logos on jackets, hats, aprons, or other clothing.