

Press release

**SJM Presents 2024 IMG Academy Junior World Championships
China Qualifier – Macau**

Fostering the Next Generation of Golf Talent and enhancing Macau's stature of "City of Sports"

(Macau, 3 May 2024) Sponsored by SJM Resorts, S.A., the "2024 IMG Academy Junior World Championships China Qualifier – Macau" concluded successfully on 3 May at the Macau Golf and Country Club. This event is part of a series of qualifiers held across Greater China, with 3 May's event in Macau serving as the final round of selections. A total of 20 talented young golfers have been chosen to join 40 winners from earlier rounds to form the Chinese National Team. This team will compete in July at the "Junior World Championship Finals" in San Diego, USA, against top international players, representing our nation on a global stage.

SJM has a longstanding relationship with the golf community, maintaining close ties with international golf associations over the years. In 2023, SJM revitalised the "Macao Open," title sponsoring the tournament for three consecutive years and reintegrating Macau into the Asian Tour calendar. As Official Sponsor and Exclusive Venue Sponsor for Macau, SJM supports the "Junior Championship Qualifier" to be hosted in Macau, aiming to cultivate the next generation of Chinese golf elites and provide young athletes with opportunities to engage internationally, using sport as a means of building connections. For the first time, the Macau Golf & Country Club has hosted a junior-level event, providing young players with a high-level golfing experience and helping them gain valuable international tournament experience. This initiative is part of SJM's commitment to the sustained development of golf in China and supports the nation's goal of becoming a leading sports powerhouse.

Ms. Daisy Ho, Managing Director of SJM, commented: "SJM and the Macau Golf & Country Club which is under the management of SJM's parent company Sociedade de Turismo e Diversões de Macau, S.A. (STDM), have developed a deep and enduring partnership with the international golf community, supporting a variety of golf events in Macau with our extensive organisational experience in the past. Many of the world's top golfers have begun significant new phases of their careers here, contributing to Macau's reputation as a breeding ground for professional golfers. Hence, we are eager to contribute to the development of golf both locally and regionally, showcase Macau's vital role as a sports city on the global stage, and promote the integrated development of 'Sports + Tourism' in Macau."

SJM will continue to actively engage in, sponsor, and organise various national and international sports events beyond the Macao Open, including martial arts, tennis, dragon boating, indoor skydiving, and football, enriching Macau's tourism offerings. Leveraging the upcoming 15th National Games in the Greater Bay Area in 2025, SJM aims to enhance Macau's international stature as a 'City of Sport' by linking these sports events with our state-of-the-art facilities and exceptional services. This effort aims to attract more top global athletes, their teams, families, supporters, and tourists to participate, while experiencing Macau's distinctive East-meets-West charm and its

diverse allure, furthering the city’s development as a “World Centre of Tourism and Leisure.”

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Group photo of Mr. Benjamin Toh, Chief Operating Officer of SJM, attended guests, SJM’s mascot “Sam the Rooster”, and 20 wild card winners of the Greater China Qualifier.



Sponsored by SJM, the “Junior Championship Qualifier – Macau” concludes successfully at the Macau Golf and Country Club.