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# LuLu acquires Mena franchise of Galito's for TFC

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**DUBAI:** Tablez Food Company (TFC), the F&B arm of LuLu International Group, has announced a franchise agreement with Galito's, a South African casual dining restaurant chain.

Galito's offers authentic flame-grilled chicken cooked to perfection using fresh and natural ingredients. Since its inception in 1996 in South Africa, Galito's has rapidly expanded its operations to develop a strong

market presence in the rest of Africa and Canada.

The exclusive franchise agreement mandates Tablez Food Company (TFC) to develop the Galito's brand across the Middle East, India and Sri Lanka.

TFC aims to invest over Dhs55 million towards the launch of 15 outlets in the UAE within next four years. In India, TFC plans to invest \$10 million to launch 10 outlets within the next five years.

Shafeena Yusuffali, CEO, Tablez Food Company, said: "Tablez Food

Company is continuously seeking to expand its portfolio by introducing world-class F&B brands that cater to the region's diverse culinary preferences. Our choice of partners is backed by a profound understanding of customer preferences, and we are confident that Galito's, an exceptional brand known for its healthy and delicious food options, will find a high uptake in the region."

Mpetjane Kgaogelo Lekgoro, South African Ambassador to the UAE; Tane Bailey, Financial Direc-

tor, Galito's; Vinay Lall, COO, Tablez Food Company and Sajan Alex, General Manager, Tablez were present during the occasion.

Louis Germishuys, CEO, Galito's, said: "We are excited to partner with Tablez, which has in-depth knowledge and experience of the region's F&B scene and enjoys a significant international market presence. In our bid to provide customers with fresh made-to-order meals, we use the healthiest natural ingredients in our marinade and basting at Galito's."