

Press Release

<u>The Asian Development Tour to Make a Stop in Morocco</u> <u>for the "Morocco Rising Stars – Marrakech"</u>

Rabat, June 5th, 2025 – Under the effective presidency of **His Royal Highness Prince Moulay Rachid,** the Royal Moroccan Golf Federation (RMGF) has signed a three-year partnership with the Asian Development Tour (ADT), the satellite tour of the Asian Tour, to host two professional competitions annually in Morocco.

Co-sanctioned by the Arab Golf Federation (AGF) and named the "Morocco Rising Stars – Marrakech," the two events will take place in Marrakech in 2025, from June 19 to 22 at Samanah Golf Club, and from June 26 to 29 at Al Maaden Golf Resort.

On this occasion, Mr. Mustapha Zine, Vice President of the RMGF, stated: "Hosting the Asian Development Tour for the first time marks a new milestone for professional golf in Morocco. Through the Morocco Rising Stars – Marrakech, we are not only offering an international competition platform but also a real opportunity for growth for our talents. Moreover, the inclusion of two of our courses in the tour calendar illustrates the recognition of the quality of our infrastructure and golfing ecosystem." He added: "This new initiative is fully aligned with the High Directives of our President, His Royal Highness Prince Moulay Rachid, who aims to make Morocco a true global golf hub, capable of hosting major professional tournaments while supporting the rise of a new generation of Moroccan golfers."

These events will provide Moroccan golf hopefuls with privileged access to highlevel professional competitions and will serve as a gateway to the International Series Morocco, scheduled from July 3 to 6, 2025, at Royal Golf Dar Es Salam in Rabat.

Cho Minn Thant, CEO of the Asian Tour, said: "In recent years, the Asian Tour has made regular visits to Morocco, and the time has come for the Asian Development Tour to make its first appearance. This is a landmark moment, the result of collaboration with key partners such as the Royal Moroccan Golf Federation, the Hassan II Golf Trophy Association, and the Arab Golf Federation. We share their vision of strengthening golf in the region to help shape the next generation of professional golfers." He continued: "We would also like to thank Samanah Golf Club and Al Maaden Golf Resort – two wonderful new venues our members will enjoy in one of the world's most inspiring cities. The Morocco Rising Stars – Marrakech events mark the beginning of an



exciting new chapter for the Asian Development Tour, one that will open the door to incredible new opportunities."

With players expected from over 25 nations across Asia, Europe, Africa, North America, and Oceania, these two summer events promise to be calendar highlights and will further enhance Morocco's reputation as a premier destination for international golf, while boosting the local economy, tourism, and sporting life.

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About the Royal Moroccan Golf Federation (RMGF):

Chaired by His **Royal Highness Prince Moulay Rachid** since January 2018, the Royal Moroccan Golf Federation (RMGF), founded on March 12, 1960, is a sports association whose mission is to promote access to golf for all, in all its forms. It ensures compliance with the ethical rules established by the international sports movement, particularly the International Golf Federation and the African Golf Confederation.

Its key missions include:

- Promotion and development of golf practice
- Organization and management of competitions
- Regulation of golf practice
- Training and professionalization of golf-related professions
- Support for professional players
- Management of elite golfers