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NHI, Baisin sign deal for hospitality mgmt course

MUSCAT — Oman's hospitality industry has been given a major boost this week after a new franchise deal was signed to provide Hospitality Management Training at diploma level.

The agreement was signed by the National Hospitality Institute (NHI) and the Baisin Institute of Hospitality Management of Bahrain.

A spokesman for the NHI said: "This new qualification provides us with a layer of education and training that we have not had before. We feel that with the growth of the tourism industry there are many young people both Omani and expatriate who are now ready for a qualification like this."

By A Staff Reporter

The diploma, certified by the Educational Institute of the American and Hotel Lodging Association (EI AHLA), is currently delivered in 30 different countries and is well recognised by the international hospitality industry.

The programme at NHI will be carried out over a period of two years and can be taken part-time or full-time depending on the need of the student.

Following a market survey carried out by the NHI, this new innovation is being seen by the local hospitality industry as a very positive development in the training of people for the growing tourism indus-

try and many hotels have shown interest in assisting some of their staff on to the programme.

This is another innovation from the NHI who have been pioneers in the development of people for the hospitality and travel industry in the Gulf region.

With their real live 'Classroom Restaurant' open to the public five days a week and their good value guest rooms alongside innovative cooking programmes for adults and children NHI is well known to the public in Muscat.

NHI, a publicly listed company on the Muscat Securities Market, is a subsidiary of Renaissance Services SAOG.