

# Press Release

The **Wine Masters Challenge – World Wine Competition**, one of the oldest wine competitions in the world, founded in 1999, hereby informs that it has recently been the target of a cyberattack which resulted in the total loss of data accumulated over 25 years of activity.

Given this situation, we have been forced to adjust the registration date for the next edition of the competition. The event will now take place between **May 23 and May 27, 2026**.

We are currently working actively to restore our website and online services. Unfortunately, the company previously responsible for hosting our domains and websites, **OVH**, failed to safeguard the essential elements of the website during this incident.

For this reason, all our domains and websites have now been transferred to the Irish company **Hostinger**, which has so far demonstrated high standards of professionalism, reliability, and security.

We would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank all of our clients, partners, and participants for their trust and loyalty over these past 25 years. Your continued support means a great deal to us.

We are also pleased to announce the introduction of a **new digital edition**, which will include:

- Official announcement of the contest results
- Press releases and industry updates
- Articles from the various wine committees
- Contributions from wine producers and traders worldwide

This content will be published through **Wine Masters Magazine**, a new platform dedicated to sharing insights and updates from the global wine community.

In addition, we would like to inform you that the **Wine Summit Estoril – Portugal**, an international event of great importance to the wine sector, is scheduled to take place in **2028**.

We invite you to closely follow our future announcements and updates.

With best regards,

**Wine Masters Challenge 2026**