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ABU DHABI GOLF CLUB PREPARES TO HOST GOLF'S BIGGEST NAMES AT THE HSBC CHAMPIONSHIP

- As the HSBC Championship approaches, Troon managed Abu Dhabi Golf Club is preparing for another memorable year -

Abu Dhabi Golf Club, UAE, XX January 2021: Abu Dhabi Golf Club's fairways will yet again be graced with some of the world's best golfers at this year's Abu Dhabi HSBC Championship.

The attention of the golfing world turns to Abu Dhabi as the new 2021 Race to Dubai season gets underway in Abu Dhabi, with the European Tour's opening Rolex Series event. Many of the European and PGA Tour players will kick-start their competitive year in Abu Dhabi with the hope to be crowned champion at the 'Home of Champions'.

The hours of preparation that go into the course are incalculable and hosting the 15th staging of the Abu Dhabi HSBC Championship means that 365 days a year the team are dedicated to ensuring the course is at tour standard all-year round.

Commenting on the course, **Cluster Director of Agronomy at Troon Abu Dhabi, Clinton Southorn** said: "The build up to the HSBC Championship is always very exciting, even though the days are longer, and the weeks seem to roll into the next very quickly, the pride we all feel gives us the adrenaline to carry on. Working closely with the European Tour creates a special environment as we are all working towards the same goal; making this year bigger, better and unforgettable."

As the host venue, Abu Dhabi Golf Club's reputation is reflected in the fact that the top players flock time and time again to play the National course. Lee Westwood, the 2020 Race to Dubai Champion, will be heading to the UAE capital to defend his Abu Dhabi HSBC Championship title. Other former winners include Tommy Fleetwood, Martin Kaymer and Shane Lowry will also be taking on the National Course.

Also, in the star-studded field this week are three members of the Official World Golf Rankings (OWGR) top-10: Justin Thomas (3), Rory McIlroy (4), and Tyrell Hatton (10). Following an impressive win at the 2020 Abu Dhabi Amateur Championships up and coming teenager, Arjun Gupta, also secured a spot in the 2021 HSBC Championships. Gupta follows in the footsteps of fellow competitor, Josh Hill, who became the youngest player ever to play in the tournament last year at just 15-years-old.

Francisco de Lancastre David, Cluster General Manager at Troon Abu Dhabi, commented: "Much hard work and preparation has gone into getting the golf course in great shape for the tournament and we are very excited to host some of the world's very best players again this week, who will undoubtedly create more great moments for golf fans to remember.

"This is one of the most highly anticipated tournaments in the calendar year, as it really sets a precedent for the year to come for these players. The tournament is graced with such a competitive field each year and the team have done a fabulous job of setting up the best surface for them to battle it out on."

This year's event will see health and safety measures in place to mitigate the risk of spreading Covid-19, including no general admission of spectators at the championships.



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