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## THE-ICE 16<sup>th</sup> IPOE Forum 2023 Listening Lunch Panel

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I've come a long way since I started my journey with hospitality back in 2010. My interest in this wonderfully dynamic industry was born out of my unabashed love for food and cookery, which formed the majority of my inculcation into hotels. I did my undergraduate in culinary arts at India's finest hotel school after which I worked with the Taj group of hotels (a leading Indian hospitality company) for five years.

Over the time I worked as a chef, I was fortunate to leverage crucial career opportunities and rose quickly within the organisation until I was at Sous-Chef level. This gave me a taste of leadership roles and shaped a large extent of my ability to work with teams and handle difficult situations. After my time with the Taj, I moved on to work as a chef-consultant wherein I was approached to devise recipes and products for a retail healthy nut-butter startup. After this I embarked on my own entrepreneurial journey and set up my own food delivery business run out a cloud kitchen. This was an extremely engaging time and was very rewarding in terms of the faith my clientele placed in me with several regular and repeat customers.

I then realised I would like to upskill myself and venture into areas of hotel management and rooms division, which became the driving force behind my decision to move to Australia to pursue my master's in hospitality. I currently work with the Hilton as a Front-Office all-rounder and I'm curious to see where my journey with hotels takes me next!