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# Maria Ignacia Latorre (Chile)

Working at Mödinger Hermanos - Puerto Montt (Chile) / Manager of the company restaurant



## Additional information

- **Nationality:** Chilean
- **Alliance Promotion:** 2011

### Why did you choose to learn and study cuisine, pastry, bakery ?

*When I came out of school, I went to the university to become a doctor. When I was half career, I decided to change because I wasn't happy. Honestly, I don't know why I chose this. It was quickly and radical. But in the kitchen I found peace, joy and really good friends, perfection, beauty, stress and emotion. Many years later, I could say maybe I got this from my family. They were always cooking and trying new things. I think that it is hereditary.*

### What did the Culinary Arts Program of the Alliance bring and give you ?

*The Summer Program was amazing. A dream came true. I never thought I was going to travel around Europe so young (25). Plus, it was not just travelling and being a tourist. I lived there and I learnt manners and tradition. I met different people, I discovered many cultures and made friends from many countries. It was the summer to learn about diversity ! This experience was also useful for my future since I was hired to work with the most famous chef of our country before to be graduated.*

### In few words, how would you summarize this experience ?

*I learnt perfection, organization and the perfect mise en place, especially in pastry.*

### In one word, how would you define the Alliance by Institut Paul Bocuse ?

*Open-Minded.*

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### [2 days at Institut Paul Bocuse for the winners of the International Pastry Contest](#)

From June 19th to June 22nd 2017, the two winners of the International Pastry Contest held as part of the Chef Paul Bocuse Week 2016 came to Institut Paul Bocuse, Lyon, France.

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