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MODE SUISSE EDITION 15

Mode Suisse Edition 15 launched at Migros Museum of Contemporary Art, Zurich on Monday evening 4 February, 2019. The popular concept of shows, showroom and direct sales also featured the added highlight of a special publication produced in collaboration with ECAL/University of Art and Design Lausanne; with thanks to Mode Suisse' new edition partner, Made Visible.

<u>COLLECTIVE SWALLOW</u> (Basel, Berlin) kicked off the show sending their signature gastronomic-themed übercool streetwear down the runway. Designers Anaïs Marti and Ugo Pecoraio's collection was influenced by the specific meat-based dishes prepared from the Swiss tradition of 'Metzgete'.

<u>HEAD – Genève</u> featured two of their strongest alumni: <u>Quynh Bui</u> (Winner of the Master Mercedes-Benz Prize 2018) and <u>Bryan Colò</u>. Giancarlo Bello's collection for his label <u>Amorphose</u> (Lugano) centred on the exquisitely handcrafted sculptural showpieces that define his work; <u>Garnison</u> (Porrentruy) contrasted his classic tailoring expertise with modern streetwear elements; and <u>Nina Yuun</u> (Basel, Seoul) presented a refinded contemporary collection firmly reinforcing the talent that propelled her initial success.

Karin Wüthrich and Matthias Fürst, the duo behind <u>After Work Studio</u> (Basel) wowed the audience with their vision of the modern woman, staying true to their aesthetic of combining a sporty approach with feminine elegance. Mode Suisse newcomer, the award-winning Mikael Vilchez, boosted the schedule by showing his <u>Forbidden Denimeries</u> collection offering his unique questioning vision of the modern man. <u>Mourijan</u> (Zurich, Mykonos), exhibited the luxuriously vibrant and fluid aesthetic that has attracted considerable commercial success to the label following <u>Mode Suisse Edition 14</u>; while <u>Jacqueline Loekito</u> (Basel) placed her emphasis on the liberation of the sexes and combatting heteronormative prejudices.

A powerful finale was guaranteed with an upcycled colour-fusion of Africa and the West by <u>Rafael Kouto</u> (Losone, Zurich); who recently won support from <u>Pro</u> Helvetiain the development and production of his collection.

Guests in attendance included: Hedy Graber (Engagement Migros), Sabina

Hanselmann-Diethelm (<u>Style</u>, <u>Bolero</u>), Katrina Ryback (<u>STUDIO183</u> Berlin), the singer <u>Anna Rossinelli</u>, the actor <u>Benito Bause</u>, Claudia Desax (<u>Opia</u>), Jeroen van Rooijen (<u>NZZ</u>) and Alessandro Roccia (<u>Italian Vogue</u>). The models featuring on the Mode Suisse catwalk included: <u>Noah Brown</u>, <u>Toni Dreher-Adenuga</u>, <u>Anthony Thornburg</u>, <u>Nadine Poncé</u> and <u>Rodrigo de Almeida Braz</u>.

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The forthcoming <u>DACH Showroom Paris</u> will take place on 1-5 March, 2019; Mode Suisse Edition 16 main events will take place on 2-3 September, 2019 in Zurich.

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