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# BRAVE CF title shot is only a matter of time, Hamza Kooheji says ahead of return

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● **Hamza Kooheji will face Aidan James in a Bantamweight bout at BRAVE CF 42 this Thursday**

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The Pride of Bahrain, Hamza Kooheji, returns to action this Thursday, September 24th, at BRAVE CF 42, when he takes on Aidan James in a Bantamweight bout. The KHK MMA fighter is confident about his chances against his Welsh counterpart and believes he will be ready for a shot at the world title, which is currently held by Filipino hero Stephen Loman.

“The Sniper” Loman is the longest-serving champion in BRAVE CF history, having won the belt back at BRAVE CF 9, in November of 2017, in the King-



Hamza Kooheji reacts after a bout (file photo)

dom of Bahrain. He has defended it four times, and has a reign of over 1,000 days in the division. However, Kooheji has the same number of wins as the champion inside the BRAVE CF

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cage, and in case he gets past Aidan James, that number will rise to seven, and Hamza will join Ikram Aliskerov and Jarrah Al-Selawe as the biggest winners in BRAVE CF history.

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A pioneer of MMA in the Kingdom, Hamza has developed into one of the best wrestlers at BRAVE CF under the tutelage of current BRAVE CF Super Lightweight champion Eldar Eldarov. Through the work done by His Highness Shaikh Khalid bin Hamad Al Khalifa at KHK MMA, he has been able to have access to a few of the best trainers and coaches on the planet, which has elevated his game tremendously on all facets of mixed martial arts. At BRAVE CF 42, he will put all that hard work to the test, with a looming title shot as a possible reward.

## Epic title contest between Fakhreddine and Gaucho earns fight of the night at BRAVE CF 41

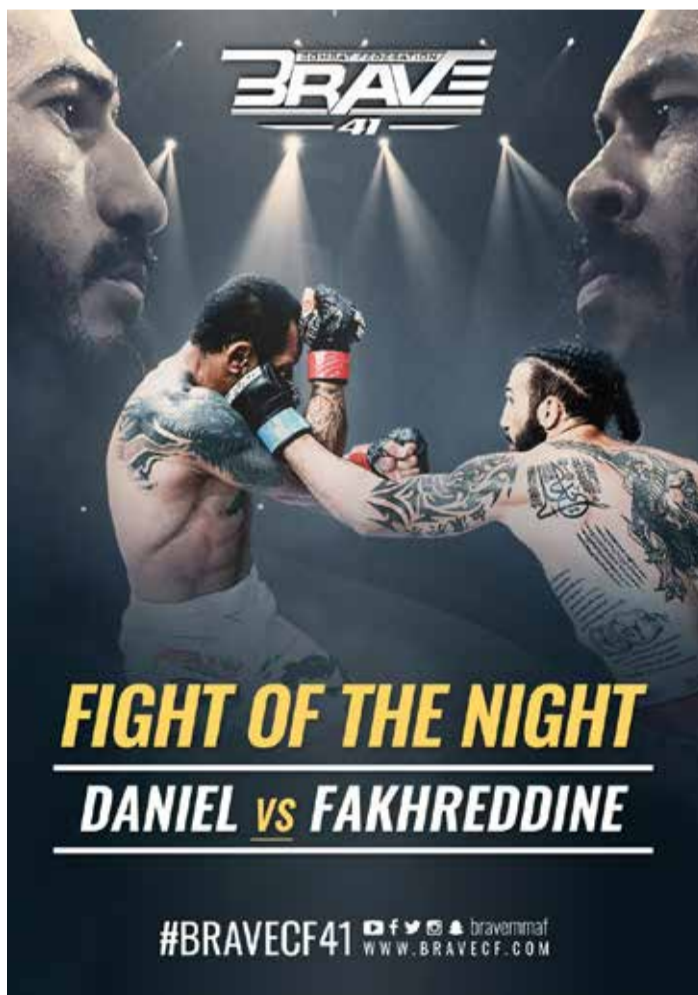
Fight of the night bonus was awarded to both Mohammad Fakhreddine and Daniel Gaucho for their efforts

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An incredible war between two of the strongest Middleweights in the world had fans around the globe on the edge of their seats during just short of 20 minutes, when the BRAVE CF world title challenger Mohammad Fakhreddine scored another incredible KO to snatch the belt from Daniel Gaucho in spectacular fashion. For their efforts in the main event of last week’s BRAVE CF 41, both men received undisclosed fight of the night bonus.

“The Latest” completed one of the greatest comebacks of the year, after battling through a fire that destroyed his home in Lebanon, and of course dealing with the covid-19 pandemic and the traumatic incident in Beirut, last August. On fight night, however, he made history and isolated himself as the biggest legend of the Arab MMA scene.

After winning the first round, Fakhreddine seemed to slow down as the then-champion Daniel grew inside the fight, landing tough shots and avoiding the ground game. During Round 4, however, a reinvigorated Mohammad, who had a cut



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above his eye, went in for the kill and connected with a perfect straight punch that sent Gaucho to the canvas and initiated a new era in the Middleweight division.

Aside from the bonus, Fakhreddine also broke a record, isolating himself as the only fighter with five knockouts under the BRAVE CF banner. Aside from Gaucho, his previous victims were Vinicius Cruz (BRAVE CF 4), Lukasz Witos (BRAVE CF 6), Christofer Silva (BRAVE CF 27), Kleber Orgulho (BRAVE CF 29).

## BRAVE CF and BTEA partner for Kombat Kingdom series



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BRAVE Combat Federation, the biggest sports-brand in Bahraini history, is partnering up with the Bahrain Tourism & Exhibitions Authority to showcase to BRAVE Nation fans around the world the best the Kingdom has to offer.

The BTEA has been established with the scope of work including all sectors related to national tourism affairs, and its partnership with BRAVE CF looks to further strengthen the Kingdom as an important tourism attraction on a regional and international level.

BRAVE CF has been an advocate of Bahrain’s tourism sector by bringing several in-

ternational competitions to the Kingdom and providing its worldwide fanbase with further information on the nation, while promoting its core messages, taking the Kingdom’s flag around the globe and promoting the messages of goodwill and hospitality across the world.

BRAVE Combat Federation is delighted to partner with the Bahrain Tourism & Exhibitions Authority for the Kombat Kingdom series where fighters from all corners of the world will descend upon the Kingdom of Bahrain for the next three weeks and their own fanbases, as well as martial artists fans from all continents, will have their eyes firmly on Bahrain.