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## Hamza Kooheji calls out BRAVE CF champ Stephen Loman after latest win

Hamza Kooheji got the biggest victory of his career at home against Aidan James

- Kooheji challenged reigning Bantamweight champion Stephen Loman
- In a post-fight interview, Hamza spoke about wanting to fight Loman and urged BRAVE CF to make the fight happen
- Kooheji and Loman have faced each other on **BRAVE CF's first-ever** card, held four years ago

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ahrain's own Hamza Kooheji was able to persevere through a tough fight against rising contender Aidan James and got the biggest victory of his career at home during BRAVE CF 42 and is now one of the front runners to be



Hamza Kooheji reacts during a bout

times Stephen Loman has defended his title after winning it in Bahrain, at **BRAVE CF 9 in November** of 2017 making him the longest-reigning world champion in his country's history in MMA

the next challenger to reigning Bantamweight champion Stephen Loman.

Kooheji and Loman have met each other on several occasions, his fans and said he was sorry and the two have even fought he was not being able to keep on BRAVE CF's first-ever card, up with all the shows of supheld four years ago. Both men were victorious that night, but Kooheji has chosen to develop himself further and work his way between Featherweight and Bantamweight divisions, before Kooheji's victory more impressettling for a pursuit of the Bantamweight title.

world champion in his country's BRAVE CF to make the fight history in MMA. He has been the happen.

BRAVE CF champ since November of 2017, and has defended his crown four times, after winning the title in Bahrain, at BRAVE

Since then he has fought and won in Northern Ireland, Bahrain (again), his home country of the Philippines, and India. Stephen has been out of action since November of last year but maybe enticed to come back soon for a big challenge against

After beating Aidan James at BRAVE CF 42, Hamza went to social media to thank the several messages he received from port from his countrymen and beyond.

James, for his part, gave a valiant effort, and broke his hand during the bout which makes sive. In a post-fight interview, Hamza spoke about want-Loman is the longest-reigning ing to fight Loman and urged

## Welterweight champ Jarrah Al-Silawi moves up to Middleweight for BRAVE CF 43

- Jarrah Al-Silawi will face Melvin van Suijdam in the main event of BRAVE CF 43
- It will be the perfect test for Al-Silawi, who might even have a score to settle with reigning Middleweight world champion Mohammad **Fakhreddine**

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 $B^{\scriptscriptstyle \rm RAVE~Combat~Federation}_{\scriptscriptstyle \rm Welterweight~world~cham-}$ pion Jarrah Al-Silawi made it a point to be in action at the Kombat Kingdom since signing a new contract with the fastest-growing MMA organization in the world.

Set on expanding his horizons, "The Jordanian Lion" will test the waters at Middleweight when he takes on kickboxer Melvin van Suijdam in the main





Melvin van Suijdam holds a professional MMA record of 11 wins and 5 losses and his last win came by way of submission. showing his development as a mixed martial artist

event of BRAVE CF 43, the third and last show on the Kombat submission, showing his de-Kingdom series, set for October velopment as a mixed martial

Widely regarded as the Abdoul Abdouraguimov, who on Mohammad Fakhreddine. Pereira.

## **BRAVE CF 43 Confirmed bouts**

Middleweight - Jarrah Al-Silawi vs Melvin van Suijdam

Bantamweight - Muhammad Mokaev vs Jamie Kelly

Bantamweight - Bernardo Sopai vs Gerson Pereira

Lightweight - Akhmed Shervaniev vs Arman Popal

Featherweight - Mehmosh Raza vs Calum Murrie

expressed a desire to come Two iconic figures of the Midcontender.

jump up to Middleweight to decision. face the Dutch kickboxer, who holds a professional MMA re- Bahrain National Stadium on cord of 11 wins and 5 losses and October 1st and will also feawhose last win came by way of ture the return of the biggest

best-ever fighter from the Mid- Al-Silawi, who might even have an impressive debut win as he dle East, Al-Silawi wants to a score to settle with reigning takes on Bahrain-based Brazilkeep active while the likes of Middleweight world champi- ian jiu-jitsu specialist Gerson

down to Super Lightweight, dle East MMA scene, "The Jor-Kevin Ruart and Louis Glisman danian Lion" and "The Latfight it out for the right to be- est" fought twice before, with come the next Welterweight Al-Silawi winning the first fight via submission and Fakhred-With that in mind, he will dine taking the rematch by

BRAVE CF 43 goes down at the prospect in MMA, as Muhammad Mokaev takes on Jamie Kelly in a Bantamweight match-up. It will be the perfect test for Bernardo Sopai will return after



