**2018 ENTRY FORM**

**(Note: word limit is 1,500)**

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| **Entry ID:** |  |
| **Entry Title:** |  |
| **Client:** |  |
| **Product:** |  |
| **First Media Appearance Date:** |  |
| **Category:** | Q - Best Communications Strategy |
| **Category Description:** | This category celebrates strategic excellence. Judges are looking for a cohesive communications strategy with a central idea at its heart. It should show a carefully researched and well thought-out action plan designed to meet a clearly defined challenge. This should include novel ways in which media channels have been used, each with a clear link to the strategic idea. The winning entry will also have clearly articulated the insights used to inspire the communications strategy. The strategy section of the entry will account for 40% of the judges’ score. |

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**In reviewing these entries judges are to look for media practice that has contributed significantly to the success/results of a campaign in the context of this entry category.**

**Please share the details of your campaign as indicated below:**

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| **ENTRY SUMMARY (MANDATORY). Why should this win a Beacon award? (0%)**  Provide a short entry summary ensuring the media thinking at the core of the entry is clear. This summary should draw judges’ attention to the use of media or media thinking that you believe is worthy of recognition in this category. The word limit for this section is 150. |
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The remaining entry should be no more than 1500 words.

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| **1. INSIGHT. What was the marketing challenge and insight? (20%)**  Outline the challenge that emerged from the brief and the core insight. In this section judges are looking for a clear, concise definition of the problem, the objectives to be met and a sharp insight that inspired the strategy. |
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| **2. STRATEGY. What was the communications strategy? (40%)**  Explain the communication strategy. The judges are looking for a strategy that addresses the challenge, drives execution and clearly outlines the role for media. |
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| **4. EXECUTION.  How was the strategy brought to life? (20%)**  The judges are looking to understand how the implementation of the campaign enhanced the communication strategy, the role of individual channels utilised and the degree of difficulty involved in executing. What were the key innovation components that helped move the implementation plan from good to great? |
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| **5. RESULTS. What results did the campaign deliver? (20%)**  Demonstrate how the results relate to the challenge and objectives set. Judges will be looking for a demonstrated relationship between the outcomes, the strategy and the impact of the media campaign. Please list what other marketing efforts/activities may have influenced the results. The judges will be looking to understand the following things:   * + Overall achievement against objectives   + Convincing proof that the results were a direct consequence of your campaign   + Return on investment |
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**TOTAL WORD COUNT (count only words you insert in answer boxes 1 - 4):**

**SUPPORTING MATERIALS**

Media Schedule: Please remember to include the media schedule (compulsory). Please include ALL media utilised in the campaign with % value of each.

Examples of Advertising: You may include a maximum of 2 x A4 pages of images only with your entry.