

## **DIA Instructions for Participants**

### **1. Protection of Intellectual Property Rights**

1.1 All participants must be the owner of the intellectual property or the designer with no dispute over the entry. For entries having not been licensed, participants need to submit an application (records) materials while the registration for the competition. For entries still without any related intellectual property certification after winning an award, DIA Committee has the right to require written promise to guarantee the originality of those entries.

1.2 DIA Committee has the right to invalidate the award-winning qualification of the entry in intellectual property disputes, including the certificate, trophy and prize etc. If economic or reputational losses are caused by the defective entries, the host and the organizers have the right including but not limited to demanding economic and reputational compensations, litigation costs, attorneys' fees, insurance fees, appraisal fees, etc.

1.3 The intellectual property of all entries is owned by the participants.

### **2. Publicity and Confidentiality**

DIA Committee has the right to use the registration information for award promotions, including but not limited to shooting, exhibiting, news

reporting, publishing of entries. All entries shall be deemed to be non-confidential, except participants applying for a Confidential Evaluation by email within 5 working days after registration. DIA Committee will not bear the loss caused by the use of the entries in publicity.

### **3. Registration Information**

Once the registration information is submitted, modification is not allowed. DIA Committee shall have the right to refuse any request of modification. The participants shall ensure the correctness and truthfulness of the registration information. DIA Committee shall have the right to revoke the entry's award qualification and honor, and recover the prize money. In order to ensure the orderly conduct of the appraisal work, DIA Committee and the jury shall have the right to adjust the entry category accordingly.

### **4. Registration Qualification**

Only the designer and the owner are eligible for registration, the participant should confirm and coordinate with the relevant units to avoid the duplicate registration. DIA Committee shall bear no legal responsibility for the problems intrigued by the duplicate registration and have the right to invalidate the award-winning qualification and honor,

and to recover bonus if the problems are not coordinated timely. Same entry is not allowed to apply for DIA award and DIA Special Award at the same time.

## **5. Notifications and Feedbacks**

All DIA notifications will be released on official website and registration system, and participants shall pay close attention to related channels and respond promptly. Otherwise participants shall assume the liability to any negative consequences of missing information or delayed-reply.

## **6. Delivery**

6.1 According to DIA Regulations, shortlisted entries for Second Evaluation are required to send the physical product or prototype. Candidates must strictly comply with “Entry Delivery Instructions” for delivering; any overdue delivery will be deemed as retraction.

6.2 All costs regarding transportation, tariffs, insurance, customs, etc. shall be borne by participants.

6.3 At the stage of “Inputting Delivery Information”, candidates should fill in the delivery information in registration system. DIA Committee shall only be responsible for the safety, security of the entry according to the delivery information. Please see detailed information

about “Inputting Delivery Information” in “DIA 2019 Delivery Instructions for Shortlisted Entries”. (Announced with Preliminary Evaluation Results Announcement)

6.4 All DIA evaluations and exhibitions will take place at professional venues and entries will be transported, safeguarded and reviewed in accordance with relevant industry standards. If there is insurance demand, participants shall purchase it themselves.

6.5 Participants should install the product to ensure the fully functional performance for jury’s experience. If participants entrust DIA Committee to install the product, the detailed installation video or instructions must be provided.

## **7. Return**

7.1 Participants shall provide returning information in the period of “Inputting delivery information”. DIA Committee bears no responsibilities for no submission or overdue submission.

7.2 DIA Committee only returns entries two times: 1) Unawarded entries will be returned after DIA Award Ceremony; 2) Awarded entries will be returned after DIA Exhibition. Specific delivery period will be announced on DIA official website and registration system. To ensure the progress of evaluations and exhibitions, entry returning requests will be rejected during non-return time.

7.3 Participants shall bear all costs regarding transportation, tariffs, etc. For entries to foreign countries, participants should provide the customer A/C No. of the designated courier services company.

7.4 Participants shall bear the “Deferred Management Fee” if applying after returning period according “DIA 2019 Delivery Instructions for Shortlisted Entries”. The returning time shall be specified by the DIA Committee after receiving “Deferred Management Fee”, and urgent items are not accepted.

7.5 Participants will automatically be deemed as waiving the ownership of the entry without complete returning information by Sep. 31st, 2019.

## **8. Donation and Collection**

8.1 DIA Committee only collects the qualified awarded entries and DIA Collection Certificate will be issued.

8.2 All prized winners shall donate the entries to DIA Committee. With concerns of further research and development, shipment difficulty of oversized entry, the worth over the prize, participants must submit a written application and related materials, then prototype or model shall be delivered approved by DIA Committee.

## **9.The Final Evaluation and Award Ceremony**

All prized-winner candidates should be present at Final Evaluation for prize qualification or he/she will be deemed as disqualifying for awards and bonus. Winners will be invited to Award Ceremony and all travel expenses shall be borne by participants.

## **10. Certificates, Trophies and Bonuses**

10.1 DIA provides electronic certificates for prized entries. All certificates are automatically generated in the registration system for download after Final Evaluation.

10.2 One trophy for each awarded entry will be awarded at DIA Award Ceremony. Participants who are unable to attend the event will be deemed as giving up the trophy.

10.3 Prize money will be wire transferred after award ceremony in accordance with the national tax provisions and processes in the current year. Prize money will be transferred to the nominated personal account or the company(including the branch company) account.

Domestic recipient can be a company or individual, while foreign recipient can only be an individual. If the recipient is not the system registrant, a written authorization is required.

**11. Participants shall be deemed to agree above terms once submitting the entry, and DIA committee reserves the right of final interpretation.**