

# **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 in intellectual property application, participants need to submit application (records) materials in registration. For entries without related intellectual property certification, after winning DIA award, DIA Committee has the right to require the written promise to guarantee the originality of the entries.

1.2 DIA Committee has the right to invalidate the award-winning qualification of the entry with 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

promotion, including but not limited to shooting, exhibiting, news reporting, publishing for the entries. Participants shall provide the written application for confidential requirement within 5 working days after registration, or the entry information will be deemed as non-confidential. DIA Committee will not bear the loss caused by the publicity of the entries.

### **3 Registration Information**

The registration information is not allowed to be modified once submitted. DIA Committee have the right to refuse any request of modification. The participants shall ensure the correctness and truthfulness of the registration information (Pseudonym is not allowed in registration). DIA Committee shall have the right to revoke the award qualification, honor and on account of the exaggerated information. In order to ensure the orderly conduct of the evaluation, DIA Committee and the jury have the right to adjust the entry category accordingly.

### **4 Registration Qualification**

Only the designer and the owner of the entry 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 Product Group and Concept Group at the same time.

## **5 Results Notification**

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 are required to send the physical product or prototype for Final Evaluation. The mailing address, period and delivery requirements will be specified in the “Entry Delivery Instructions”, which will be published one month before the Final Evaluation. Any overdue delivery will be deemed as withdrawing the qualification.

6.2 All costs regarding to 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 Delivery Instructions for Shortlisted Entries”.

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 Ceremony.

(2) Awarded entries will be returned after DIA Exhibition. To ensure the progress of evaluations and exhibition, entry returning requests will be rejected during non-return time.

7.3 Participants shall bear all costs regarding transportation, tariffs, etc.

For entries to domestic cities, DIA Committee will use freight collect payment for returning. For entries to overseas countries, participants should provide the delivery files(including but not limited in express waybill, proforma invoice, cargo packing list, etc.) and contact express company staff to designated venue for taking the entry.

7.4 Participants shall bear the “Deferred Management Fee” if applying after returning period according “DIA 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 Oct. 31st, 2021.

## **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 Final Evaluation and DIA Ceremony**

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

## **10 Certificate, Trophy and Bonus**

10.1 DIA provides electronic certificates for winners. All certificates are

automatically generated in the registration system for download after Final Evaluation. One trophy for each awarded entry will be awarded at DIA Ceremony. Participants who are unable to attend the event will be deemed as giving up the trophy.

10.2 Prize money will be wire transferred after DIA 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. DIA Committee reserves the right of final interpretation.**