

Press Release







THE IAA DENTSU INTERAD XI GLOBAL STUDENT COMPETITION

IAA Dentsu InterAd XI Competition World Champion Chosen Competition's Client was the UN Millennium Campaign

New York, NY, June 27, 2007 - Team Boomerang from Edith Cowan University, Perth, Western Australia was declared World Champion of the annual International Advertising Association (IAA) InterAd XI global student advertising competition. Boomerang advanced to the world finals as winner of the Asia/Pacific Regional IAA Dentsu InterAd XI competition and will be awarded the IAA InterAd XI Trophy next month.

The winning entry will be on display during Advertising Week in New York, September 2007, at the Advertising Community Together (ACT) exhibition. The ACT exhibition will showcase a comprehensive and unique compilation of over 300 sustainable development and corporate social responsibility campaigns from nearly 105 advertising agencies in 33 countries - making this a perfect fit to present Boomerang's work!

The IAA Dentsu InterAd XI competition is part of the International Advertising Association's Professional Development program and is designed to give students the opportunity to test their skills with a real world client case study. "We are very proud of IAA's ongoing commitment and dedication to the training and education of the next generation of our marketing communications professionals", said IAA Chairman and World President Joseph Ghossoub. "Each year, through our IAA InterAd we endeavor to create a world class learning experience. The quality of the entries was excellent and many of the participating schools use the IAA InterAd competition as part of their marketing and advertising curriculum", said Ghossoub. Noriyuki Shutto, Executive Advisor, Dentsu Inc., said "The education and training of students is a CSR theme that we at Dentsu have been seriously tackling for years, and we are very much honored to have sponsored this worldwide event. We hope that our efforts will contribute to improvements at all levels of the industry."

This year's IAA Interad XI client for the advertising competition was the United Nations Development Program (UNDP) Millennium Campaign and its 8 goals. The UNDP case brief focused on goals to eradicate extreme poverty and hunger; achieve universal primary education; promote gender equality and empower women; reduce child mortality; improve maternal health; combat HIV/AIDS, malaria and other diseases; ensure environmental sustainability; and develop a global partnership for development.

The IAA Dentsu InterAd XI competition challenged advertising and marketing students the world over to create campaigns to ensure that we are the first generation to eradicate poverty.

The IAA Dentsu InterAd XI was made possible with a donation from Dentsu Inc., the 5th largest global advertising/marketing organization. Entries were received from 29 schools in 20 countries and the teams were judged by industry leaders from the IAA's worldwide network.

The winning entry can be viewed at http://www.iaaglobal.org/default.aspx?id=768ccfa9-9486-411c-b7a7-5cbae71ebf43

Boomerang's faculty advisor is Diane Slade.

Boomerang's team members include:

Samantha Hassall
Donny McDermid
Bryan Chiang Lip Wai
Annika van Grootel
Anne Hallam
Holly Gibson
Stephen Burge
David Schultink
Francis Yang Mu Jia
Amber Micallef
Darren Clark
Norman Leslie

Tiffany Wertheimer

Five other regional teams also reached the IAA InterAd XI World finals and will be given global runner-up awards based on their juried scores. The runners-up are:

Global 2nd Place: Glass Half Full - Emerson College, USA

Global 3rd Place: Positive - International Business School, Hungary

Global 4th Place: SFC - Keio University, Japan Global 5th Place: Countdown - UNIACC, Chile

Global 6th Place: Base Communications - The American University in Dubai, UAE

International Advertising Association

The International Advertising Association (IAA), headquartered in New York, was founded in 1938 to champion responsible marketing. The IAA, with its 56 chapters in 76 countries, is a one-of-a-kind global partnership whose members comprise of advertisers, media, advertising and public relations agencies, media companies, and academics. The IAA is a platform for industry issues and is dedicated to protecting and advancing freedom of commercial speech, responsible advertising, consumer choice, and the education of marketing professionals. For more information please visit www.iaaglobal.org.

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