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15th Anniversary of the International Eyes & Ears Awards



Cologne, 21 August 2013 – On Thursday, 17 October 2013, Eyes & Ears of Europe will present the 15th International Eyes & Ears Awards in the context of the MEDIENTAGE MÜNCHEN. The festive award ceremony will be hosted by Wolfram Kons. This year, 360 different productions were submitted to the contest organised by the Industry Association for Design, Promotion & Marketing of Audiovisual Media. In all, 193 companies from 10 different countries are participating: Egypt, Argentina, France, Greece, Great Britain, Austria, Switzerland, Spain, the USA and Germany.

The 15th International Eyes & Ears Awards will be given out in the areas 'Design', 'Audio', 'Interactive', 'Promotion' and 'Cross-Media-Campaigns'. The different categories can be found at <u>http://awards.eeofe.org</u>. "This year we celebrate a small anniversary with the 15th International Eyes & Ears Awards. This shows how well-established and important the prize is for the media industry", says Corinna Kamphausen, CEO of Eyes & Ears of Europe. Industry players as well as the interested public are cordially invited to the International Eyes & Ears Awards Show on 17 October 2013 in the context of the MEDIENTAGE MÜNCHEN. Here, the best productions of the year are presented in a concise and entertaining way. A visit to the Awards Show 2013 is free of charge.

INTERNATIONAL EYES & EARS AWARDS SHOW 2013 Thursday, 17 October 2013 7 pm until approx. 10 pm (Doors open 6:30 pm) Neue Messe München (ICM), Hall 01 Registration is required: <u>awards@eeofe.org</u>

Finalists for the 15th International Eyes & Ears Awards are chosen by the Eyes & Ears of Europe preliminary juries:

- 'Design' at Lambie-Nairn in London,
- 'Audio' at ARTE in Strasbourg,
- 'Interactive' at the SRF in Zurich
- 'Promotion' and 'Cross-Media-Campaigns' at Deutsche Welle in Berlin.

On 5 & 6 September, the **European Council for the Design, Promotion & Marketing of Audio-Visual Media** will meet at Red Bull Media House in Wals near Salzburg in order to select the winners of the 15th International Eyes & Ears Awards from amongst the groups of finalists.

In addition, on 17 October 2013 at the MEDIENTAGE MÜNCHEN, Eyes & Ears of Europe will present its three special achievement awards for **CREATION**, **INNOVATION & EFFECTIVENESS**. These special prizes honour outstanding overall achievements.

The highlight of the event will be the International Eyes & Ears Excellence Award. The most recent winner of this prize for outstanding contributions to the design and reflection of audiovisual communication was freelance Director for live entertainment, show & sports Volker Weicker. Former laureates of the Eyes & Ears Excellence Award are Michel Comte, Florian Wieder, Yello – Dieter Meier and Boris Blank, Robert Wilson, Manfred Becker, Peter Weibel, Anton Corbijn, Peter Lamont, Hermann Vaske, Sky Du Mont, Martin Lambie-Nairn, Roman Kuhn and Oliviero Toscani.

Partners of the International Eyes & Ears Awards 2013 are Bayerisches Fernsehen, TOF Intermedia, SRF – Schweizer Radio und Fernsehen, DW – Deutsche Welle, Red Bull Media House, Lambie-Nairn, ARTE, BLM – Bayerische Landeszentrale für neue Medien and MEDIENTAGE MÜNCHEN.

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