

Industry pioneer Howard Draft to chair Warc Prize for Innovation 2013

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Howard Draft, the renowned executive chairman of the Draftfcb agency network, will chair the judges of the Warc Prize for Innovation 2013.

Mr Draft will head a distinguished panel of clients and agency leaders that will award the \$10,000 Prize to the best case study worldwide of effective innovation in communications.

The Prize is a truly global contest with entry being free and open to submissions from any communications discipline or industry category.

Howard Draft has a track record of agency reinvention going back more than three decades.

During his tenure, Draft has transformed itself from a small direct marketing agency into a global, fully integrated operation, uniting the former Draft and FCB businesses, and employing staff in 90 markets.

Mr Draft describes himself as a serial entrepreneur and argues that marketing today is "all about influencing in-control consumers in a multi-segmented, multi-tasking world".

Draft said: "Draftfcb has always prioritized innovation - whether in our agency structure or our work. Life and business are what you make of them, and I will be intrigued to see what the Prize entrants made of the challenge to explain and prove how innovative their work has been."

Carlos Grande, Editorial Director of Warc, said: "We're delighted that Howard Draft has agreed to be our Prize chair. This news underlines the importance of awarding a Prize to the most innovative marketers worldwide at a time when both clients and agencies are looking for new solutions to communications challenges."

The full line-up of judges will be announced in coming weeks, with all details available on www.warc.com/prize.

The 2013 Prize winners will be announced in mid-June. In recent years, the Prize was won by the Romanian campaign, American Rom, by BV McCann Erickson for Kandia Dulce, and in 2010 by the Sun Chips campaign, Building a Pre-eminent Green Brand, created for Frito-Lay by Juniper Park, the Canadian agency.

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