

## Effie South Africa launches 2023 season, calls for entries

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- Effie South Africa has issued a call for entries for the 2023 Effie Awards South Africa Programme
- Entries will be accepted via the Effie entry portal from 6 April through to midnight on 14 June 2023
- The Effie Gala Awards Ceremony will be held on 15 September in Johannesburg



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Effie South Africa launched the 2023 Effie Awards season and call for entries during a virtual launch held on the 22 March 2023. At the launch, which included a workshop on how to write a winning Effie entry, it was announced that entries would be accepted on the Effie Awards South Africa online entry platform from midnight on 6 April 2023.

South African agencies, clients, media partners and startups are invited to submit their entries via the Effie Awards South Africa website. Acceptance of entries via the portal will close at midnight on Wednesday, 14 June 2023.

Now in its third year on home soil, the world's preeminent marketing effectiveness awards programme is levelling up through its partnership with the <a href="Nedbank IMC Conference">Nedbank IMC Conference</a> – Africa's leading marketing conference. The merging of the two premier industry events means that Friday, 15 September 2023, will see the Nedbank IMC Conference serving as home of the Effie South Africa summit. The awards ceremony will be held following the conference, both of which will take place at Urban Brew Studios in Randburg.

As in previous years, we look forward to uncovering the work that delivered on campaign-stated objectives. This year, however, sees the introduction of our partnership with the Nedbank IMC Conference – a partnership we are particularly proud to be part of. The collaboration between agency and client is absolutely critical in the formation and execution of an effective campaign, and we're very excited to see insights and results in effective marketing play out at both events," says Mathe Okaba, CEO at the ACA – organiser of the Effie Awards programme in South Africa.

#### **Entry categories**

Entrants can look forward to over 70 categories across two category groups, as has been the case in the past. Campaign eligibility dates for the Sustained Success Category are 1 February 2020 – 31 January 2023 [36 months] and 1 February

Full details on how to enter, including details on the categories and entry requirements, can be found on the "how to enter" tab at <a href="www.effieawards.co.za">www.effieawards.co.za</a>. It is recommended that entrants download and familiarise themselves with all the entry documents, categories and requirements before initiating the online entry process.

"We're bringing marketers and agencies closer together this year, with the emphasis squarely on those partnerships, and we cannot emphasise the importance of that collaborative spirit enough. Whichever way we wish to look at it, what we do as a sector and as a profession is about results. This is echoed by the Effie/Nedbank IMC Conference partnership. So, be prepared for incredible insights at the conference, and find out howthey are converted into effective marketing campaigns at the Effie Awards," concludes Okaba.

#### Entry deadlines and fees for the Effie Awards South Africa 2023:

Entry Deadlines	Opening Date	Closing Date	ACA Member Feees	Non-ACA Member
Early bird	06-Apr-23	17-May-23	R7,875	R8,663
On-time	18-May-23	31-May-23	R9 845	R10,638
Last minute	01-Jun-23	14-Jun-23	R14,766	R16, 243



For more information visit the Effie Awards South Africa website at <a href="www.effieawards.co.za">www.effieawards.co.za</a> or visit <a href="www.acasa.co.za">www.acasa.co.za</a>.

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