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Network Ten Gets Street Smart. All New Australian Comedy Series Coming in 2018. Only On TEN and WIN Network.

Network Ten is delighted to announce the launch of Australian comedy series **Street Smart**, which has received principal production investment from Screen Australia in association with Create NSW.

Premiering in 2018, **Street Smart** follows a gang of would-be criminals who see themselves as cool, *Ocean's Eleven*-style gangsters but, in reality, are absolutely and utterly hopeless.

From the co-creators of *Here Come The Habibs*, this entertaining family comedy stars Tahir Bilgic (*Pizza, Swift and Shift Couriers*) as gang leader Steve, whose big dreams of girls, riches and respect are constantly thwarted by his nemesis parking officer Joe (Rob Shehadie) (*Housos*). **Street Smart** offers a hilarious and unpredictable trip into the murky world of disorganised crime in the Australian suburbs.

Network Ten Chief Content Officer, Beverley McGarvey, said: "Television is a cyclical business and the time is right for narrative comedy to make a return to TEN."

"Entertaining and relevant, **Street Smart** is just one of several narrative comedies in various stages of production and development for Ten and we look forward to investing further in strong, local comedy."

CJZ Founder and Managing Director, Nick Murray, said: "It's brilliant to be working with Rob, Tahir and Network Ten to create a funny, exciting, re-set sitcom, and we look forward to being part of the return of locally-made Australian narrative comedy to Ten."

Screen Australia Head of Production, Sally Caplan, said: "Screen Australia is thrilled to again partner with Ten on new Australian content."

"From this year's thriller **Wake In Fright** to drama **Sisters**, and now comedy with **Street Smart**, the network has quickly built a slate of fresh local productions."

"With more in the works, Ten will not disappoint audiences looking for high calibre Australian stories."



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