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Submissions open for 2016 Australian Insurance Industry Awards

The Australian and New Zealand Institute of Insurance and Finance (ANZIIF) and co-host *Asia Insurance Review* are pleased to announce that submissions for the 2016 Australian Insurance Industry Awards are now open.

The Awards, now in its 13th year, is one of the highlights of the annual insurance calendar and an event that encourages reflection on individual, business and industry success.

'The Awards has come to be a landmark in the annals of the industry. And this year, in this era of disruptive innovation, we look forward to entries that are pushing the corners of the envelope to emerge as smart insurers that create a buzz in the market and bring insurance to every person and company in the street. Every action counts,' said Sivam Subramaniam, Editor in Chief of *Asia Insurance Review*, which co-hosts the Awards.

Following a year of change across the industry in 2015, the Awards provides the opportunity to celebrate and recognise individual and company excellence. In recognition of the changes within the industry and the market in which it operates, the Awards criteria have been updated and first-time entrants are encouraged to submit.

"The Awards is an event for the entire industry and one that gives businesses an opportunity to promote their achievements and those of their staff. For this reason, we are inviting previous winners, finalists and submitting companies as well as businesses that have never participated to submit for the categories relevant to them," said Prue Willsford, CEO of ANZIIF.

The Awards categories are:

- Small Broking Company of the Year
- Medium Broking Company of the Year
- Large Broking Company of the Year
- Underwriting Agency of the Year
- Direct General Insurance Company of the Year
- Small - Medium General Insurance Company of the Year
- Large General Insurance Company of the Year
- Life Insurance Company of the Year
- Innovation of the Year
- Professional Services Firm of the Year
- Service Provider to the Insurance Industry of the Year
- Women's Employer of the Year

- Youth Development Employer of the Year
- Young Insurance Professional of the Year
- Insurance Leader of the Year
- ANZIIF Lifetime Achievement Award

Submissions close on 26 April 2016 and can be lodged via the ANZIIF website at www.anziif.com.

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Established in 1884, ANZIIF has more than 15,000 members in over 50 countries. With offices in Australia, New Zealand and China, our mission is to lead, engage and support the industry through education, thought leadership, community initiatives and the promotion of professional standards. Through our activities, we aim to help members to achieve their career and corporate aspirations and to contribute to the success of the insurance and financial services industry.