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Great team? Happy customers? A business to be proud of? Submissions now open for the 2016 New Zealand Insurance Industry Awards

New Zealand is recognised by the global insurance industry as a model of innovation and excellence by the global insurance industry. Within it are hundreds of high-performing businesses and professionals with countless stories of providing excellent customer service, developing new products and services, and continually striving for excellence.

To recognise these outstanding individuals and businesses, the 2016 New Zealand Insurance Industry Awards is now accepting submissions for the industry's annual night to celebrate excellence. The Awards, which is hosted by the Australian and New Zealand Institute of Insurance and Finance (ANZIIF), has built a impressive honour roll over its five years — and there are many more who deserve its recognition.

'There are many inspiring individuals and businesses who are doing incredible things. For both Awards veterans and first-timers, this is an opportunity to reflect on the great achievements of the industry and those in it', said Prue Willsford, CEO of ANZIIF.

'We know that across the New Zealand insurance industry, there are many businesses and professionals who strive for excellence; whose clients and customers receive exceptional support; who are creative and innovative; and who have helped to making New Zealand insurance the world leader that it is. These contributions deserve to be recognised and celebrated, and this is what the Awards aims to do.'

The 2016 Awards categories are as follows:

- Small–Medium Broking Company of the Year
- Large Broking Company of the Year
- Direct General Insurance Company of the Year
- Intermediated Insurance Company of the Year
- Life Insurance Company of the Year
- Innovation of the Year
- Service Provider to the Insurance Industry
- Professional Services Firm of the Year
- Youth Development Employer of the Year
- Women's Employer of the Year
- Young Insurance Professional of the Year
- Broking Professional of the Year
- Insurance Leader of the Year
- ANZIIF Lifetime Achievement Award

Submissions close on Thursday 7 July 2016. Information on the Awards is available from the ANZIIF website at www.anziif.com.

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About ANZIIF

The Australian and New Zealand Institute of Insurance and Finance (ANZIIF) is the leading membership body and provider of education, training and professional development services to the insurance and financial services industry in Australia, New Zealand and the Asia-Pacific region.

Established in 1884, ANZIIF has more than 14,000 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.