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2016 Peter Corrigan Scholarship for Innovation and Leadership winner announced

The Australian and New Zealand Institute of Insurance and Finance (ANZIIF) and Finity Consulting are pleased to announce the winner of the 2016 Peter Corrigan Scholarship for Innovation and Leadership.

Rebecca Zhang, Broker and Vice President of Guy Carpenter and Company has been awarded the scholarship for her essay answering the question, *'How will general insurance in Australia change in the next five years? Select an area of insurance – for example, a product class or insurance function – that interests you and outline how you see our industry responding and evolving.'*

As the winner of the scholarship Rebecca will be awarded up to AU\$10,000, funded by Finity Consulting, to attend an international conference or seminar program of her choice, which offers an industry or leadership-based professional development opportunity.

"I feel honoured to be awarded the prestigious Peter Corrigan Scholarship for 2016. It's an invaluable opportunity to further develop my leadership skills at a global level and help me to foster a culture of innovation for the insurance industry" said Rebecca.

Scott Collings, Principal and Managing Director of Finity Consulting added, "Rebecca is an outstanding recipient of the Peter Corrigan Scholarship. She demonstrates a solid understanding of the ways in which digital platforms are impacting the Australian insurance market. Her detailed assessment of how digital platforms are forcing the industry to "innovate or be replaced" raises some key truths for insurers and firmly validates Rebecca's future in insurance."

Peter Corrigan was a born leader and major contributor to our industry. This scholarship acknowledges his legacy and encouragement of young industry members. Finity is proud to sponsor this award, which will provide Rebecca with an opportunity to attend a global insurance event and strengthen her knowledge and networks afar,"

Prue Willsford, CEO of ANZIIF agreed saying, "Rebecca's essay is an exceptional academic contribution and she is a deserving winner, "the Peter Corrigan Scholarship for Innovation and Leadership offers the opportunity for a passionate insurance professional to learn from international industry experts, and continue their professional development by honing their leadership skills, and broadening their knowledge of innovation in the industry."

Rebecca's achievement was officially awarded and recognised at the 2016 Australian Insurance Industry Awards held on Wednesday 31 August.

The Peter Corrigan Scholarship for Innovation and Leadership is offered every two years and supports the professional development of today's insurance professionals. The scholarship also honours the significant contribution Peter Corrigan (1955-2002) made to the insurance industry.

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