

# Media release

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## **Finalists announced for the 2017 New Zealand Insurance Industry Awards**

The Australian and New Zealand Institute of Insurance and Finance (ANZIIF) is pleased to announce the finalists of the 2017 New Zealand Insurance Industry Awards.

Now in their sixth year, the Awards recognise excellence and achievement by the top performing individuals and businesses from across the industry.

'The New Zealand Insurance Industry Awards provide us the opportunity to celebrate our industry achievements and recognise those high achievers from within the industry. These Awards also work to celebrate and highlight the great contribution those in insurance make to the community,' says Prue Willsford, CEO, ANZIIF.

The finalists for each category are:

### **DIRECT GENERAL INSURANCE COMPANY OF THE YEAR**

- AA Insurance
- AMI
- FMG

### **INTERMEDIATED INSURANCE COMPANY OF THE YEAR**

- NZI
- Vero

### **LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY OF THE YEAR**

- Asteron Life
- Fidelity Life

### **INNOVATION OF THE YEAR**

- AMP Financial Services
- NZI

### **SERVICE PROVIDER TO THE INSURANCE INDUSTRY OF THE YEAR**

- Construction Cost Consultants
- CoreLogic
- Gallagher Bassett
- JB HiFi
- Smith&Smith

### **PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FIRM OF THE YEAR**

- Cunningham Lindsey
- DLA Piper
- Duncan Cotterill
- Finity Consulting
- Hesketh Henry

## **YOUNG INSURANCE PROFESSIONALS EMPLOYER OF THE YEAR**

- AA Insurance
- Cigna New Zealand
- Gallagher Bassett
- Runacres Insurance

## **WOMEN'S EMPLOYER OF THE YEAR**

- AA Insurance
- ANZ (including OnePath Life)
- IAG New Zealand
- Suncorp New Zealand

## **YOUNG INSURANCE PROFESSIONAL OF THE YEAR**

- Amanda Cooper, IAG New Zealand
- Charlotte Langridge, Runacres Insurance
- Sophie Riddle, NZI
- Tony Seto, Willis Towers Watson
- Jonathan Winstone, Pearce Financial Services

## **BROKING PROFESSIONAL OF THE YEAR**

- Kim Matthews, Rothbury Insurance Brokers
- Hayden Ryan, Crombie Lockwood

This year's awards are sponsored by platinum sponsors Asteron Life, DLA Piper New Zealand, Fidelity Life, JB HiFi NZ, NZI, Vero New Zealand and gold sponsor, Stelvio.

With additional categories announced on the night, the Awards will be held at the SKYCITY Convention Centre in Auckland on Thursday 16 November 2017.

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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.