

Winners of the 2018 Australian Insurance Industry Awards announced

The Australian and New Zealand Institute of Insurance and Finance (ANZIIF) and the Asia Insurance Review (AIR), are pleased to announce the winners of the 2018 Australian Insurance Industry Awards.

Marking their 15th year, the Awards were held at Luna Park in Sydney, and hosted by Australian stand-up comedian and writer Claire Hooper, the awards recognise the great achievements of insurance companies and insurance professionals.

The broking and general insurance categories saw some new faces take home awards, including Simplex Insurance Brokers; who took home Small Broking Company of the Year; Marsh, for Large Broking Company of the Year; RACT Insurance, for Small-Medium General Insurance Company of the Year; as well as some familiar faces, including GSA Insurance Brokers, who won Medium Broking Company of the Year; NRMA Insurance, for Direct General Insurance Company of the Year; and Allianz Australia, who won Large General Insurance Company of the Year.

‘These Awards highlight the commitment and passion amongst the industry and its people in striving for excellence. With a breadth of the industry represented amongst this year’s winners, we are afforded the opportunity to uncover the various projects, programs and innovations that are shaping and are focused on the betterment of our industry,’ says ANZIIF CEO, Prue Willsford.

Other winners from the night included; CHU Underwriting Agencies Pty Ltd, for Underwriting Agency of the Year; TAL, for Life Insurance Company of the Year; Gallagher Bassett, for Innovation of the Year; Finity Consulting, for Professional Services Firm of the Year; TAL, for Women’s Employer of the Year; and AMP Life Limited, who won Insurance Learning Program of the Year.

‘Year on year we continue to be impressed with the breadth of the industry pushing the barriers to create new innovations, products or customer experiences. The winners of this year’s awards highlight what is possible and the standards we are striving to achieve,’ says Asia Insurance Review Editor-in-Chief, Sivam Subramanian.

Among the awards for individual excellence, Fiona Fong of Marsh Pty Ltd was announced Young Insurance Professional of the Year, Tim Wedlock of Austbrokers AEI Transport Pty Ltd was announced Insurance Leader of the Year and Robert Belleville, who was instrumental in AAMI’s growth, was recognised with the ANZIIF Lifetime Achievement Award.

The winners for each category are listed below:

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| Service Provider to the Insurance Industry of the Year | IVAA Jewellery Claim Management |
| Professional Services Firm of the Year | Finity Consulting |
| Women’s Employer of the Year | TAL |
| Young Insurance Professionals Employer of the Year | Cunningham Lindsey – intrust |
| Insurance Learning Program of the Year | AMP Life Limited |
| Innovation of the Year, sponsored by iag | Gallagher Bassett |

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| Insurtech of the Year | Cover Genius |
| Small Broking Company of the Year | Simplex Insurance Solutions |
| Medium Broking Company of the Year | GSA Insurance Brokers |
| Large Broking Company of the Year , sponsored by QBE | Marsh |
| Authorised Representative of the Year | Insurance Advisernet Australia |
| Life Insurance Company of the Year | TAL |
| Underwriting Agency of the Year , sponsored by UAC | CHU Underwriting Agencies Pty Ltd |
| Direct General Insurance Company of the Year | NRMA Insurance |
| Small-Medium General Insurance Company of the Year , sponsored by JB Hi-Fi | RACT Insurance |
| Large General Insurance Company of the Year , sponsored by AON | Allianz Australia |
| Young Insurance Professional of the Year , sponsored by Guidewire | Fiona Fong, Marsh Pty Ltd |
| Insurance Leader of the Year , sponsored by DXC Technology | Tim Wedlock, Austbrokers AEI Transport Pty Ltd |
| ANZIIF Lifetime Achievement Award | Robert Belleville |

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Established in 1884, ANZIIF has more than 16,000 members in over 50 countries. With offices in Australia, New Zealand and China, ANZIIF works to promote and support lifelong learning through education, thought leadership, professional development events and ANZIIF's publication, *The Journal*.

Through our activities, we aim to help members achieve their career and corporate aspirations and to contribute to the success of the insurance and financial services industries.

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