

The ATUG 2010 Excellence Awards Judging has been finalised

The Gala reception celebrating excellence in telecommunications will be held in Sydney on the evening of 11 March at Australian Technology Park with the Minister, Senator Stephen Conroy presenting the awards. The ATUG Excellence Awards were made in the categories of - Best Communications Initiative Large Organisation, Best Communications Initiative Regional, Best Communications Initiative Small Business, Excellence in Communications Management, Innovation in Communications, Carrier of the Year, Communications Journalist of the Year, Chairman's Award for Industry Contribution and the prestigious Charles Todd Medal.

ATUG awards have celebrated achievements by industry and benefits for end users, since 1984. The judges noted that the 2010 awards demonstrated the value of communications to business users big and small, to government agencies, in cities, country towns and remote areas across Australia. Chairman of ATUG's Excellence Award Judging Panel, Paul Morris, ATUG Vice Chairman and Managing Director Consulcom said "We are seeing a much sharper focus by industry on delivering communications and applications which meet the real needs of end users including good pricing strategies and strong service support."

For information about the Gala Awards Reception - <http://www.atug.com.au/atug2010galadinner.cfm>

Quotes from some of our short listed nominees speak for themselves

- Organisations including education and local government are amazed at how quickly such a valued service "anywhere/anytime" can be built and be rolled out to their user base
- Location accuracy will deliver water savings in spraying and pest control for farmers and deliver improved efficiency in construction and surveying – there are huge benefits.....
- Advanced communications in the remotest parts of Australia have the potential to be life changing with real opportunities for significant improvements in health and education outcomes, entertainment options and small business operations
- The transition from IPv4 to IPv6 is made easy. The innovation is the price point – free..... truly free without any catches
- Saving time is the most effective treatment for patients. Getting a report from a specialist so the attending physician can get a second opinion quickly improves patient care.
- TAFE training can be delivered 'in-house' and makes people in these remote communities 'job ready'. They can now take advantage of opportunities that would not normally be available to them.
- Apart from the undeniable cost benefit for us as a small business the greatest benefit is being able to outsource maintenance with full confidence and with a considerable difference to our overall productivity.
- For our small business the Cloud Computing Platform is like we have our own dependable infrastructure without the hassles of housing and maintaining it.
- Our business has a strong international presence and the introduction of the technology has been instrumental in our successful completion of a number of major international projects that have been co designed in Australia London, Europe and the Middle East

ATUG congratulates all the short listed nominees and thanks our Award Category Sponsors.

