

Call for Nominations

Do you use or know of some smart Australian or New Zealand software?

Give them a helping hand and nominate them for the 2007 Consensus Software Awards – anyone can nominate, just visit www.consensus.com.au and look for the on-line form.

Proudly supported by International Developer Magazine, the Awards have grown year-on-year to represent the best in Australasian software, software that is finding increasing acceptance around the world, just like Developer Magazine!

New for 2007

We are proud to welcome **IBM** who will now join **Microsoft** as joint principal sponsors, ensuring up and coming software developers get the exposure they need.

“This is a unique double”, said Julian Day, managing director of Consensus, “we have worked hard to make the Awards the most respected awards and recognition program in our region, so this is a major endorsement of our fully independent judging panels and our quality-driven selection process.”

New Zealand

And you can expect to see a growing New Zealand presence in the Awards as the program becomes better known in the land of the long white cloud. Steve Cronshaw, Senior Investment Manager of Investment New Zealand

who has been instrumental in promoting the Awards amongst the many New Zealand based IT companies who are already operating in Australia, knows the value of taking part. “Many New Zealand based companies make Australia their first stop on their path to world markets, so taking part in a Trans-Tasman Award program makes perfect sense and is an important validation of their technologies. This year (2006) saw WinScribe Inc. and Right Hemisphere in the winners circle, with Right Hemisphere jointly taking out the **Microsoft Global Potential Award** taking home a handy \$10,000 cash prize.”

Consensus One Venture Capital

There are many good reasons why companies chose to take part, and now Consensus is going to add a few million more! In an ambitious move Consensus is establishing a venture capital fund to invest exclusively in companies recognised by the Awards. “We have always encouraged existing venture capital funds to get involved with the Award winners, with a number of successes,” explained Terry Insley, Consensus director of programs “but now we want to accelerate the process, shortening the time it takes get these businesses into overseas markets.”



Nominations close end of December 2006, so don't delay, log into www.consensus.com.au or for more information contact Julian Day at Consensus on +61 2 9719 9344 - julian.day@consensus.com.au

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