

2005 Engineering Excellence Awards

High praise for state's best work

QUENSLAND'S engineering expertise and excellence were brought into sharp focus when more than 700 guests joined to celebrate the 2005 Queensland Engineering Excellence Awards, in the atmosphere and spectacle of the Moulin Rouge, at the Brisbane Entertainment and Exhibition Centre last Friday night.

The outcome of 29 state, national and international engineering projects, developed and delivered through Queensland engineering and management skills, highlighted the professional edge available in the state.

Engineers Australia's Queensland President, Melissa Griffith said the awards celebrated the work of engineers, the direct contribution they made to the development of Queensland, and the direct influence on our way of life and community.

This year's awards event was coupled with celebrating 2005 as the Year of the Young Engineer.

Ms Griffith said the Year of the Young Engineer was a welcome opportunity for highlighting the views, aspirations and achievements of the younger members of Engineers Australia.

Queensland Premier, Peter Beattie MP said he hoped more young Queenslanders would see the opportunities offered by the profession in Queensland.

"It is gratifying to see such a large number of Queensland companies undertaking so many diverse and exciting engineering projects both in Queensland and overseas," Mr Beattie said.

The prestigious R W Hawken Award and Resource Development Award went to the Khanong Development Group, an Ausenco and Bateman Engineering Joint Venture.

The Oxiana Resources' Sepon Copper/Gold Project is in

the remote jungle of Laos, 42km up the infamous Ho Chi Minh Trail.

The project also included a patented copper leaching project process developed in Queensland.

Other projects to double-up on awards included the Woodland Bioreactor Project by Maunsell Australia Pty Ltd, Collex Pty Ltd and Barcaly Mowlem Contractors Ltd with the Environment Excellence Award and the Department of Public Works Sustainability Award.

The Cairns-based NQEA Pty Ltd won the Products and Manufacturing Facilities Excellence Award and the new Karel CAD Innovation Award for its luxury passenger ship, *Oceanic Princess*.

Projects given High Commendations were:

Project Management: North Queensland Gas Pipeline Project — Enertrade & GHD Pty Ltd & Thiess Napac

Research, Development and Innovation: Road Asset Management Investment — CRC Construction Innovation
Building & Structures: Brisbane Magistrates Courts - Structural — Robert Bird & Partners

Environment: Dee River Dams Remediation Project - Mount Morgan Mine Site — Department of Natural Resources and Mines Environmental Protection Agency and Main Roads - Road Tek

Project Infrastructure: Inner Northern Busway - Section 5 — Queensland Transport & Seymour White Constructions & Clough & KBR

Project Infrastructure: Sunrise at 1770 Sustainable Residential Community and Conservation project — Kellogg Brown & Root Pty Ltd

Reports Procedures & Systems: Helping Nemo and Friends — Citewater - Townsville City Council

Resource Development: Comalco Alumina Refinery — Comalco & Bechtel Australia.



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Conference studies innovation

INTERNATIONAL property and construction practitioners and researchers will meet on the Gold Coast next March to discuss innovations in construction.

The international conference will feature world-leading industry practitioners discussing "Clients Driving Innovation: Moving Ideas into Practice".

The theme builds on the success of the CRC for Construction Innovation's 2004 international conference by addressing the fact that today's international business

environment is becoming more competitive each day.

The conference will hear how the construction industry, with its highly fragmented project activities and increasingly demanding clients, is no exception.

It will be held from March 12 to 14, next year at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, Gold Coast.

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