



AWARDS RECOGNISING EXCELLENCE IN THE
WIDER TELECOMMUNICATIONS INDUSTRY

THE ACOMMS: COMMUNICATIONS ALLIANCE & COMMSDAY AWARDS – 2007 WINNERS

Category Awards to Alcatel-Lucent, Hutchison, IPSTAR,
Market Clarity, Telstra, Unwired and Vanco
John Pinnock wins 2007
Telecommunications Ambassador honour

Sydney – 20 July 2007 – The winners of the prestigious 2007 ACOMM Awards were announced at last night's Communications Alliance Annual Dinner. The gala event featured a keynote address by the Hon Senator Helen Coonan, Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts.

In her opening remarks Communications Alliance CEO, Anne Hurley commented: "Award recipients were selected from a shortlist of 25 finalists, all of whom warrant our applause as the industry's high achievers".

Vanco was the winner of the Competition & Growth for a Large Company with IPSTAR taking out the Competition & Growth – SME Award.

Hutchison was again the winner of the Innovation Award for a large company with Unwired taking out the SME Award. Telstra won the Innovation Mobility Award for its Next G™ network roll-out.

There were three 'Services to the Industry' winners. Market Clarity secured this year's prize for professional services excellence, while Alcatel-Lucent took the 3rd party supplier Award. The inaugural award in this year's best customer service initiative was won by Hutchison.

The industry's top honour for individual achievement, the 2007 Telecommunications Ambassador award, was presented to the former Telecommunications Industry Ombudsman, John Pinnock. In John's time as TIO, the scheme has extended its jurisdiction to include consumer complaints about virtually all carriage service providers, including ISPs, and increased its membership to more than 1,100 carriers and service providers.



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Commenting on the outcome, Communications Day Publisher, Grahame Lynch said: "The 2007 Awards evidence a new high standard of industry excellence. Tonight's trophies were presented to the industry's 'most deserving' but the real winners are Australian businesses and consumers who are being increasingly well served by an innovative, competitive and growing telecommunications sector."

A comprehensive listing of this year's Award finalists and their accomplishments is available from the www.commsalliance.com.au website.

Industry sponsors for the Communications Alliance Annual Dinner at which the Awards were announced, included Platinum sponsor Telstra Wholesale and Gold sponsors AAPT and KPMG.

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