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World class performance and excellence applauded



Excellence in organisational performance will be recognised at the 2014 Australian Organisational Excellence Awards at Etihad Stadium in Melbourne on Thursday 13 November 2014.

The awards, an initiative of the Australian Organisational Excellence Foundation, present an opportunity for a broad range of businesses and organisations from across Australia to celebrate and showcase their excellence against internationally recognised business principles.

The awards event will be hosted by the Honourable Chris Ellison, a director of the Australian Organisational Excellence Foundation.

Dr. Ziggy Switkowski will be the keynote speaker and presenter of the awards.

The 2014 winners will join an elite list of scores of organisations who have been winners since the Awards commenced in 1987.

"The pressure from competitors, investors, analysts and other stakeholders continues to intensify," keynote speaker for the evening, Dr Ziggy Switkowski, AO, one of Australia's most



experienced and capable business leaders, said. "Australian organisations are encouraged to adopt Excellence Frameworks as a proven way of increasing productivity. The Australian Organisational Excellence Awards provide an external perspective and an endorsement that organisations are achieving sustainable improvement."

The Australian Organisational Excellence Foundation is a member-based organisation, dedicated to improving Australia's productivity and competitiveness through the promotion of organisational excellence and sustainable improvement. The Foundation is Australia's representative on the prestigious Global Excellence Models Council and is internationally recognised as the premier Excellence Awards programme in Australia with the most rigorous evaluation process.

With economies throughout the world becoming more integrated, Australia is increasingly impacted by developments in the global economy. Global economic forces have changed the Australian economy and the lives of Australians dramatically in recent years, and these changes and challenges will accelerate as globalisation continues.

Requisite changes in the way Australia conducts business, and the competition that comes with globalisation, demands that business today rise to new challenges. The Foundation is committed to encouraging and promoting the adoption of Excellence Models which facilitate and enhance overall business performance.

For more information about the Australian Organisational Excellence Foundation visit www.a oef.org.au

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