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## **AIRA Announces the 2026 Best Practice Investor Relations Awards & Sell-side Awards for Best Conference and Investor Access Winners**

- **BHP named overall winner as AIRA celebrates best practice in investor relations across Australasia**

Sydney, 4 June 2026 - The Australasian Investor Relations Association (AIRA) has announced the winners of its 2026 Best Practice Investor Relations Awards.

The Awards recognise excellence in investor relations at ASX and NZX listed entities, as well as market engagement and investor access across 12 corporate and eight sell-side award categories.

Presented at AIRA's annual Best Practice IR Awards and Gala Dinner, held at the Sheraton Grand Sydney following AIRA's Annual Conference, the Awards brought together the Australasian investor relations and capital markets communities to celebrate the companies and stockbrokers voted the best by the investment community for the investor relations awards and by corporates for the sell-side awards.

BHP Group Limited was named winner of the award for Overall Best Investor Relations by a Company in the S&P/ASX 200, and also received awards for Best International Investor Relations by an Australasian Company, Best Investor Relations by a Company in the S&P/ASX 50, and Best Investor Event by an Australasian Company.

Other multiple-award corporate winners included Commonwealth Bank of Australia for Best ESG and Sustainability Reporting and Best Continuous Improvement in Investor Relations by an Australasian Company, and Fisher & Paykel Healthcare Corporation Limited received awards for the Best Investor Relations by a New Zealand Company and Best Investor Relations by Company in the S&P/ASX Mid-Cap 50.

Transurban Group received the Best ESG Engagement by an Australasian Company award, Universal Store Holdings Limited for Best Investor Relations by a Company in the S&P/ASX Emerging Companies Index, Catapult Sports Limited for Best Investor Relations by a Company in the ASX "Mid-Cap 200", and Reliance Worldwide Corporation Limited for Best Investor Relations by a Company in the ASX "Mid-Cap 100".

The sell-side awards recognise leading investor access and conference programs, with Macquarie Securities winning the Best Equities Conference for Australasian Listed Entities - Generalist Domestic, Best Equities Conference for Australasian Listed Entities - Generalist Offshore and Overall Offshore Institutional Investor Access categories; JP Morgan winning the



Best Offshore Sector Equities Conference and Overall Domestic Institutional Investor Access awards; Barrenjoey winning the Best Domestic Sector Equities Conference category; Euroz Hartleys winning the Small and Emerging Companies Conference category; and Morgans winning the Overall Retail Investor Access category.

“Rapid advances in technology, evolving geopolitical dynamics and increasingly volatile capital markets are creating both challenges and opportunities for listed companies. This recognition is particularly significant for both winners and nominees, as it acknowledges leaders who are embracing change, setting new standards of excellence and helping to shape the future of investor relations,” said Ian Matheson, Chief Executive Officer, AIRA.

The evening also honoured Justine Brant, Senior Vice President, Depository Receipts, BNY, Hany Messieh, Head of Investor Relations and FP&A at Netwealth, and Chris Vagg, General Manager, Investor Relations at Virgin Australia as AIRA Fellows for their contribution to the investor relations profession and the broader AIRA community.

The 2026 Dux recipients of the AIRA Diploma of Investor Relations included Jiamin Chen and Shane Fitzgerald.

## About AIRA

The Australasian Investor Relations Association (AIRA) was established in 2001 to advance the awareness of and best practice in investor relations in Australia and New Zealand and thereby improve the relationship between listed entities and the investment community. The Association's 160 corporate members now represent over **A\$1.2 trillion** of market capitalisation, over 80% of the total market capitalisation of companies listed on ASX.

**The award winners are listed on the following pages.**

To access the research methodology and voting criteria, please visit [About the Best Practice Awards](#) and [About the Sell-Side Awards](#).

For more information about the AIRA's Best Practice Investor Relations Awards, contact the AIRA Secretariat on 02 9872 9100 or email [administration@australasianir.com.au](mailto:administration@australasianir.com.au).

## 2026 Best Practice Investor Relations Awards – Award Winners

2026 Best Practice IR Awards Categories	2026 Award Winners
<b>Corporate Awards</b>	
Overall Best Investor Relations by a Company in the S&P/ASX 200	BHP Group Limited
Best International Investor Relations by an Australasian Company	BHP Group Limited
Best Investor Relations by a Company in the S&P/ASX 50	BHP Group Limited
Best Investor Relations by a Company in the S&P/ASX Mid-Cap 50	Fisher & Paykel Healthcare Corporation Limited
Best Investor Relations by a Company in the ASX Mid-Cap 100	Reliance Worldwide Corporation Limited
Best Investor Relations by a Company in the ASX Mid-Cap 200	Catapult Sports Limited
Best Investor Relations by a Company in the S&P/ASX Emerging Companies Index	Universal Store Holdings Limited
Best Investor Relations by a New Zealand Company	Fisher & Paykel Healthcare Corporation Limited
Best Continuous Improvement in Investor Relations by an Australasian Company	Commonwealth Bank of Australia
Best ESG Engagement by an Australasian Company*	Transurban Group
Best ESG and Sustainability Reporting by an Australasian Company*	Commonwealth Bank Australia
Best Investor Event by an Australasian Company	BHP Group Limited

Data source: Extel – Research conducted in December 2025.

\*Data source: AIRA – Research conducted in March / April 2026, covering the preceding twelve month period.

## 2026 Best Practice Investor Relations Awards – Award Winners

Sell-Side Awards	
Best Equities Conference for Australasian Listed Entities - Generalist Domestic	Macquarie Securities - Australian Conference
Best Equities Conference for Australasian Listed Entities - Generalist Offshore	Macquarie Securities - Australia & NZ Corporate Day
Best Domestic Sector Equities Conference for Australasian Listed Entities	Barrenjoey - Inaugural Perth Metals & Mining Conference
Best Offshore Sector Equities Conference for Australasian Listed Entities	JP Morgan - Asia REIT Forum
Best Equities Conference for Small / Emerging Companies organised by a Boutique Broker or Commercial Conference Organiser	Euroz Hartleys - Rottneest Island Institutional Conference
Best Overall Domestic Institutional Investor Access for Australasian Listed Entities	JP Morgan
Best Overall Offshore Institutional Investor Access for Australasian Listed Entities	Macquarie Securities
Computershare Award for Best Overall Retail Investor Access for Australasian Listed Entities	Morgans

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