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25th Annual AustCham Westpac Australia-China Business Awards Finalists Announced

Shanghai: 12th April – The AustCham Westpac Australia-China Business Awards has received over 260 nominations this year. After much deliberation, our judges have determined a shortlist of stellar nominees in each of the eight award categories.

Finalists of The Business Excellence Award for Agriculture, Food & Beverage

Sponsored by The State Government of Victoria

1. Bright Food Global Distribution Company Ltd
2. Costa Group Holdings Ltd
3. Simplot Australia Pty Ltd
4. Total Livestock Genetics
5. Treasury Wine Estates
6. Wines by Geoff Hardy

Finalists of The Business Excellence Award for Business Innovation, Creative Industries and the Digital Economy

Sponsored by The University of Sydney Business School

1. Alibaba Group (Australia and New Zealand)
2. ANZ Global Services and Operations (Chengdu) Company Limited
3. Digital Crew
4. Mailman Group
5. Port Adelaide Football Club
6. Spinifex Group

Finalists of The Business Excellence Award for Construction, Infrastructure and Natural Resources

Sponsored by K&L Gates

1. BlueScope China
2. Brisbane West Wellcamp Airport
3. Group GSA Ltd
4. Lendlease Project Management & Construction (Shanghai) Co., Ltd.
5. Populous Design Pty Ltd

Finalists of The Business Excellence Award for Consumer Services

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1. APT
2. Box Hill Institute
3. Camel Hospitality Group
4. JD.com
5. Swisse Wellness Pty Ltd
6. Tennis Australia Ltd

Finalists of The Business Excellence Award for Cross-Border Investment

Sponsored by Blackmores

1. Australian Capital Equity (China)
2. CSL Ltd (and subsidiary CSL Behring)
3. Fortescue Metals Group
4. Ironfish China
5. K & L Gates LLP
6. PC Locs/LocknCharge

Finalists of The Business Excellence Award for Professional and Business Services

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1. CPA Australia
2. FCM Travel Solutions
3. King & Wood Mallesons
4. L.E.K. Consulting Ltd
5. MinterEllison
6. Moelis Australia
7. Think China

Finalists of The Business Excellence Award for Small-To-Medium Enterprises

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1. AEAS
2. Elliatt
3. Legend Sportswear
4. Mitchells Equipment Co., Ltd

Finalists of The Business Excellence Award for Sustainability, Diversity and Social Responsibility

Sponsored by Meat & Livestock Australia

1. Blackmores China Co., Ltd
2. Crossroads Foundation Ltd - Good City HK Project
3. Newton Hall - Caulfield Grammar School - Nanjing Campus
4. The Hub Children & Youth Centre Ltd
5. Woods Bagot

"This year's selection of the Finalists has been very tough with so many impressive nominees. It really is true that being a Finalist is in itself being a winner!" said Deborah Biber, Chief Executive of the Pacific Basin Economic Council and Chair of the 2018 ACBA Judging Panel.

Paul Lai, Westpac's Regional Head and Head of Corporate & Institutional Banking Greater China said the calibre of entries continues to climb year on year.

"Given its size and incredible pace of transformation, it's fantastic to see these Australian businesses that have worked hard to get their China strategy right, reaping the rewards and propelling their business forward."

Congratulations to all of the 2018 ACBA Finalists.

Winners of the 2018 ACBAs will be announced at a Gala Dinner in Shanghai on Thursday 17th May. Tickets are available for sale – visit www.austcham-acba.com for more information.

2018 Host: AustCham Shanghai

Winners of the AustCham Westpac ACBAs are announced at a black-tie gala dinner in rotating cities across Greater China each year. 2018 will see AustCham Shanghai host the ACBAs. The Australian Chamber of Commerce Shanghai was founded in 1994 and has grown into a strong networking organisation representing over 400 members benefiting thousands of company employees with more than 100 events annually.

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Westpac in China

Westpac has been the official key sponsor of the ACBAs since 2009. Westpac has operated in Asia for over 40 years and was the first Australian bank into China. In addition to its Asian regional headquarters in Singapore, Westpac has branches in Hong Kong, Beijing, Shanghai, Mumbai and a representative office in Jakarta. Westpac's goal in China is to both support Australian and New Zealand customers in the region, as well as provide a gateway for Chinese firms and individuals with interests in Australia and New Zealand.

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