



AUSTRALIAN CONSTRUCTION ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

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CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY APPLAUDS WINNER OF 2016 AUSTRALIAN CONSTRUCTION ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

The Australian Constructors Association (ACA) and Engineers Australia (EA) applaud the **Moorebank Units Relocation Project** at Holsworthy in Sydney's south west, as the winner of the Australian Construction Achievement Award for 2016.

Announced last night in Perth, the **Australian Construction Achievement Award** is the peak annual award for the major players in Australia's construction industry. The competition is fiercely contested by Australia's largest construction and engineering businesses whose projects must first qualify to be finalists and then submit to the most rigorous assessment by a panel of experts. The total value of the 6 Finalist Projects this year exceeded \$3 billion.

Commenting on the announcement of the winner, ACA President John Flecker said that the winning project by constructor **Laing O'Rourke Australia Construction Pty Ltd**, showcased the project management and innovative approach required of construction companies on large complex project".

"The 3 year task of demobilising 13 Defence Units and facilities, including the School of Military Engineering and 2,000 Defence personnel from a 190 hectare site at Moorebank, and relocation to new, purpose-built, facilities was a vast scale project." Mr Flecker said.

Mr John McIntosh National President of Engineers Australia praised the quality of the 6 Finalists and said they highlighted the exceptional expertise of the engineering profession in the design and implementation of major commercial and infrastructure projects.

"Each year the Judging Panel shortlists only the very best of the projects nominated. The fact the Award process has again attracted such a diverse range of projects exemplifies the skill and expertise within the industry, and the competitive nature of its participants in vying for this major Award,". John McIntosh said.

The other finalists were:

- Barangaroo Reserve, Sydney, – by Lendlease.
- Dr Chau Chak Wing Building - University of Technology, Sydney – by Lendlease with structural engineering provided by Arup and AECOM.
- Gateway WA Perth Airport and Freight Access, – by Leighton Contractors, Georgiou Group, GHD, AECOM and BG&E.

- Glenfield to Leppington Rail Link, Sydney - by John Holland Group
- North Strathfield Rail Underpass - Sydney, – by John Holland Group and Bouygues Travaux Publics Australia for Transport NSW.

The Chair of the Judging Panel, Mr Chris Stoltz said:

“It’s been exhilarating for the judges to have the privilege of seeing first-hand how the best constructors and designers in this country have excelled in successfully completing challenging and iconic construction projects.”

“All six finalist projects for this year’s Award demonstrated excellent design, innovation in construction, and superb management of both people and materials.”

“This year’s ACAA winner showcases the outstanding achievement of the best-of-the-best and provides a new benchmark for design excellence, construction innovation, and leadership of high performing teams.”

Full details of the winner and finalists, including videos of the projects and other information at: www.aaa.net.au

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The ACA is the peak industry body representing leading construction companies while Engineers Australia represents the engineering profession that is responsible along with the constructors for the design and delivery of Australia’s major infrastructure projects.