

## Annual awards expanded to recognise industry commitment to diversity and inclusion

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The Australian heavy construction materials industry now formally recognises the best in diversity and inclusion initiatives across our members' workplaces, the Chief Executive of Cement Concrete & Aggregates Australia, Ken Slattery, announced today.

Capping off a season of state Innovation Awards nights, 2019 CCAA Innovation Awards winners were announced at the Victorian state awards held in Federation Square, Melbourne, last week. The winners from each state will now go through to compete at CMIC20, the industry's premier conference event in Brisbane next year. -

"Over the years, CCAA's Innovation Awards have celebrated the industry's outstanding achievements and continuous improvements across key business and operational areas," Mr. Slattery said.

"Winners have been recognised for their ingenuity in developing and implementing new ideas and approaches that advance the industry in health and safety, the environment, and community engagement.

"Now, to recognise the social and economic benefits that diverse and inclusive workplaces offer, we have introduced a new award category that celebrates innovative approaches to strengthening diversity and inclusion in our industry.

"While the industry has made strong progress in creating diverse and inclusive workplaces, we recognise that there is more to be done.

"By highlighting diversity and inclusion initiatives at the CCAA Innovation Awards, we are setting new industry benchmarks and celebrating best practices across our member companies."

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