

Countdown: Women in AI Awards Open September 14

SYDNEY, 3rd September 2020:

With less than two weeks until entries open for the [WAI Awards Australia 2021 - Australia and New Zealand](#), now is the perfect time to start working on your entry.

"WAI works with Corporate partners, start-ups, High Schools and Universities to embed a diverse & inclusive AI eco-system in Australia," said Women in AI's Education Ambassador Australia [Angela Kim](#). "The aim of WAI is to provide empowerment to females through WAI events such as the WAI Awards, with a clear focus on diversity and inclusion."

The awards cover 11 categories:

1. AI in Health (includes aged care and disability services.)
2. AI in Mining
3. AI in Law
4. AI in Finance - includes insurance and superannuation.
5. AI in Agribusiness (includes natural resources and environment management.)
6. AI in Cyber Security
7. AI in Education
8. AI in Defence
9. AI in Infrastructure (includes transportation, electricity and water services.)
10. AI in Manufacturing
11. AI in Innovation (includes any ground-breaking, new and emerging AI process or technology in additional fields not mentioned in the above industry sectors.)

The winner of each of the 11 categories across industry sectors will also be eligible for the Grand Award Australia-New Zealand WAI Entrepreneur of the Year.

Overseen by a [comprehensive AI advisory group](#), including Queensland AI Hub CEO [Dr Sue Keay](#); Education Ambassador Australia, Women in AI and Head of Analytics & AI, Teachers Health [Angela Kim](#), and Founder & CEO, Ethical AI Advisory and Adjunct Professor, AGSM [Dr Catriona Wallace](#); the awards have their origin in the global [Women in AI](#) movement.

Dr Wallace explains: "With AI due to power 80% of all technologies in the next 5 years it is imperative that this tech be built with ethics and diversity at its core. This is why it is so important that women are at the table as leaders, designers, engineers and funders of Australia's AI industry and recognised as such . . . the value of the WAI awards is that it showcases amazing women and the significant role that they play in this sector, vital in order for Australia to play on the international AI stage."

WHO CAN APPLY

Are you a female entrepreneur in the AI field and based in Australia or New Zealand?
We are looking for inspiring leaders who have founded or co-founded a company with a working product in the field.

ELIGIBILITY

We are looking for...

An Australian or New Zealand based early staged startup founded or co-founded by a woman

The company's activity and core value proposition should be based on AI technologies (including speech, image and video recognition, autonomous objects, natural language processing, conversational agents, prescriptive modelling, augmented creativity, smart automation, advanced simulation, complex analytics and predictions...)

Have an MVP or industrialized product or at least one client

'AI for Good' relevance is a bonus

AWARDS OPEN September 14th

The awards are open for entry in just two weeks - September the 14th 2020 - and will be held February 23rd, 2021 at Sydney's Museum of Contemporary Art; with the Grand Award to be presented by WAI Awards Patron the Hon Julie Bishop.

For more information visit www.waiawards2021.com

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