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# METS Ignited Collaboration Award 2017



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# 1 METS Ignited Collaboration Award

The METS Ignited Collaboration Award recognises true collaboration between METS companies and other METS, mining and researchers. Collaboration may take place at any point from the ideation stage through to proof of concept and eventual commercialisation, resulting in increased application, reduced risk and enhanced speed to market.

Our recent sector research identified the need to accelerate the rate and pace of innovation and specifically to enhance the current track record of commercializing our innovations. The sector recognizes the importance of significantly enhancing the level and quality of collaboration within and between the METS, mining and research sectors.

The METS Ignited Collaboration Award will contribute to driving collaboration by:

- Recognising and celebrating organisations who achieve mutual business success as a result of collaboration.
- Acknowledging organisations who contribute to building the awareness of collaboration practices by sharing examples of best practice and their results, inspiring similar excellence in others.
- Identifying those who drive greater awareness and understanding of the benefits of collaboration in the sector

## 1.1 Evaluation criteria

Applicants will be assessed on the basis of

1. World-class collaboration in the mining / METS / research sectors demonstrating one of the following:
  - Collaboration between mining companies
  - Intra-industry collaboration between companies in the METS sector, regardless of size
  - Collaboration between miners, METS and researchers particularly at early stages in the innovation process.
2. Value creation for participants. The collaboration has resulted in business growth, new markets and export opportunities for the participants
3. The partners in the collaboration seek to extend their partnership, based on additional business growth opportunities.
4. Extent to which the collaboration addresses a gap in the capacity and capability of the METS sector, and is business ready.
5. Extent to which the Project will deliver national and sector wide impact.

The collaboration must have been ongoing, and have occurred after 1 January 2015.

## 1.2 Submission process

### **Application Requirements**

**All parties** to the collaboration must submit a statement of business impact (refer Attachment 1) via email to [events@metsignited.org](mailto:events@metsignited.org) before 5 pm AEDT on **29 September 2017**.

## 1.3 Review process

The Review process has two steps:

1. Meritorious submissions are distributed for review to the METS Ignited review committee.
2. The METS Ignited review committee will present the final recommendation to the METS Ignited's Board of Directors.

Three companies will be shortlisted for the METS Ignited Collaboration Award.

Decisions by the Board are final and are not subject to appeal. The Board reserve the right to not award a METS Ignited Collaboration Award should no appropriate applications be submitted.

## 1.4 Key dates

Submissions are accepted continuously, with a review of all submissions up to **29 September 2017** each year forming the basis for the annual METS Ignited Collaboration Award presentation. The METS Ignited Collaboration Award will be presented at an appropriate mining event.

## 1.5 Confidentiality

All applications, author information, commentaries, and evaluation information can be held in confidence during the application period, at the applicants' request. Please put this request in writing. Reviewers are assigned in such a manner that conflicts of interest are avoided. Applicants may be asked to consider allowing their submission to be profiled on the METS Ignited web site. Copyright will be respected.

## 1.6 Recognition

- Recognition of the winner by METS Ignited in media announcements, publicity, website and social media
- Use of METS Ignited Collaboration METS Ignited Collaboration Award logo on letterhead, newsletters, website, in investor bulletins, etc. by the companies whose employee/s win the METS Ignited Collaboration METS Ignited Collaboration Award
- Presentation of the METS Ignited Collaboration METS Ignited Collaboration Award at a prestigious industry event, acknowledging the winners and their work.

## 1.7 Award presentation

The METS Ignited Collaboration Award will be presented at the 2017 IMARC Gala dinner, on 1 November 2017. The IMARC Gala dinner attracts industry leaders from Australia and abroad. Three companies will be shortlisted for the METS Ignited Collaboration Award, each recognised on the night, with the winner announced at the event.