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**Outstanding ACT technology innovation showcased
at 31st annual AIIA iAwards**

Australia's peak industry representative body for innovation technology, the Australian Information Industry Association (AIIA), is proud to announce the winners and merit recipients of the 2024 ACT iAwards. As Australia's longest running innovation recognition program, the awards unearth, recognise and reward excellence in Australian innovation.

AIIA CEO, Simon Bush, said: "We are incredibly proud to celebrate the 31st annual iAwards this year. The high level of ability and passion of our tech innovators that rises up in the iAwards never ceases to amaze and inspire. All entrants deserve recognition for their hard work and brilliant ideas. We want to thank them for their continued commitment to furthering Australia's capability in innovation technology."

Mr Bush said: "The finalists and winners show the diversity of innovation occurring across the economy and how technology can solve both economic and societal issues. The exciting developments we are seeing with the adoption of Artificial Intelligence highlights the possibilities and productivity gains our economy can harness through innovative technologies. The winners and merit recipients of the 2024 iAwards continue to reflect the immense talent in Australia's ICT sector."

The 2024 ACT iAwards are presented to winners and merit recipients in seven categories to showcase the breadth of innovation and technology across multiple sectors.

The 2024 ACT iAwards winners and merit recipients by category are:

- **Business & Industry, sponsored by asana**
 - Winner: LearnGauge: Measuring Change. Shaping Futures by Muse Consulting.

- **Education & Student Solution of the Year**
 - Merit recipient: ANU TechLauncher by ANU TechLauncher

- **Government & Public Sector, sponsored by the Digital Transformation Agency**
 - Winner: Trellis Data Universal Translator by Trellis Data
 - Merit recipient: Bringing statutory declarations into the 21st century by Services Australia, Department of Finance and AGD

- **Not for Profit & Community, sponsored by AustralianSuper**
 - Winner: Chain-FS by Nansen Digital Forensics

- **Start-Up, sponsored by CDC**
 - Winner: SmartClamp (Smart Surgical Clamp) by Viortec Pty Ltd
- **Sustainability & Environmental, sponsored by Lenovo**
 - Winner: Schematic Intel (SI) - IoT for emergencies by Schematic Intel.
- **Technology Platform Solution, sponsored by Reason Group**
 - Winner: Metadata.NSW, NSW Data Passport & Aristotle Metadata by Aristotle Metadata
 - Merit recipient: WorQ by WorQ Group PTY LTD

Details on each of our winners and merit recipients can be found below.

Each of the 2024 ACT iAwards winners will now compete for the coveted National iAwards title which will be announced at the Gala event in August. The AIIA iAwards are supported by the Department of Industry, Science and Resources, the South Australian Government, CDC, the Digital Transformation Agency, Lenovo, asana, Reason Group, AustralianSuper and Dell Technologies. The AIIA thanks them for their commitment to supporting the tech sector. AIIA is a not-for-profit organisation aimed at supporting and advocating for Australia's future social and economic prosperity through technology innovation.

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AIIA's 2024 ACT iAwards - About the Winners

ANU TechLauncher

ANU TechLauncher is a powerhouse of talent. We are all about nurturing professionals who thrive on innovative partnerships, effortlessly balancing efforts, resources, and risks in the dynamic landscape of real-world engagements. Our unique experiential learning program has an ultimate purpose in education, igniting student passion for value creation, innovation, and building and scaling the next wave of Australian startups.

Bringing statutory declarations into the 21st century by Services Australia, Department of Finance and AGD

The digital Commonwealth statutory declaration combines myGov and Digital ID to deliver a first of its kind solution that is simple, secure and can all be done online, providing more options for Australians to complete statutory declarations. Now people can go to myGov and use their Digital ID, complete, sign and download a statutory declaration in significantly less time and with significantly less effort than it takes to find a witness for a paper declaration. Digital execution of Commonwealth statutory declarations could save up to \$150 million and hundreds of thousands of hours each year and deliver productivity bonuses to the national economy.

Chain-FS by Nansen Digital Forensics

Chain-FS is a novel (patent pending) blend of blockchain, cloud and smart contract technologies that creates a vendor agnostic cost-effective, immutable, trust-less storage system. The first use case is focused on using Chain-FS to empower victims of domestic violence to break free from violence and rebuild their lives without the constant threat of critical data theft, alteration, or destruction, which often hinders their escape. Chain-FS is currently being piloted by four domestic violence support agencies in NSW and Victoria.

LearnGauge: Measuring Change. Shaping Futures by Muse Consulting

LearnGauge stands as a trailblazing innovation within the educational tech space, uniquely addressing the need for effective teacher professional development. By aligning closely with the Australian Curriculum and individual state standards, it offers educators personalised self-assessment tools that deliver actionable insights. For educational leaders, it provides a data-driven lens to evaluate and enhance professional training programs across the board.

Metadata.NSW, NSW Data Passport & Aristotle Metadata by Aristotle Metadata

By making data easier, faster and safer for users to document, Aristotle Metadata is helping government organisations better protect their data, and get more value from their data without increasing costs or burdens on citizens. Their quiet community of over 2000 data users across the state and federal sector are collaborating on data projects to reduce red tape and make it easier for government agencies to share data to implement positive social policy programs.

Schematic Intel (SI) - IoT for emergencies by Schematic Intel

Designed for emergency services, Schematic Intel (SI) is an online platform that displays interactive riverine catchment real-time flood data on a schematic interface. SI helps emergency services quickly identify at-risk areas during floods and start making decisions to protect lives, property, and biodiversity. By improving resource deployment and coordination during floods, SI increases your safety, my safety, and our community's safety.

SmartClamp (Smart Surgical Clamp) by Viortec Pty Ltd

SmartClamp redefines the standards for total knee replacement surgeries. With advanced sensors, the SmartClamp enables unprecedented precision and efficiency during knee balancing, offering real-time tactile feedback to surgeons for optimal control and accuracy. Developed by a team combining surgical expertise with engineering innovation, SmartClamp is at the forefront of medical device advancements, embodying a pivotal step towards integrating smart technology in orthopaedic surgeries.

Trellis Data Universal Translator by Trellis Data

The AI powered Trellis data Universal Translator enables two or more people speaking in different languages to understand each other. It helps revolutionise communication for soldiers, police officers and first responders by providing secure, real-time translation across languages at the edge, without reliance on the internet or security risks that can come with other solutions.

WorQ by WorQ Group PTY LTD

WorQ ACT innovation that provides an enterprise no-code AI enabled platform with an objective of delivering business outcomes at least 30 times the speed of incumbent technologies and techniques.