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13-15 NOVEMBER 2017 MELBOURNE AUSTRALIA

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10 SCHOLARSHIPS FOR INNOVATIVE ENTREPRENEURS TO PRESENT THEIR VISION AT ONE OF THE WORLD'S LEADING INNOVATION EVENT

Ten scholarships available for brilliant, emerging innovators to present their ideas and enterprise. The winners will connect with and learn from over 40 world-leading global thinkers, futurists, innovators and leaders at Australia's leading, future-shaping innovation event.

Tuesday 13TH June 2017, Melbourne, Winners of the Creative Innovation 2017 scholarships will be granted the stage to pitch their enterprise at the largest and most prominent innovation event in the Southern Hemisphere.

Creative Innovation is inviting applications from emerging leaders, innovators, social and for-profit entrepreneurs to win one of ten scholarship places to Creative Innovation 2017 Asia Pacific, with the theme, "Human Intelligence 2.0: Thriving in the age of acceleration". Creative Innovation Global was named "Corporate Event of the Year" in the global Eventex Awards and was also named Corporate Event of the Year in the Australian Event Awards.

Scholarship winners will receive prizes to the value of \$10,000, including free attendance to the exclusive event and the rare opportunity to take to the stage and present a 60 second presentation to Ci2017 delegates. The selected winners will also receive a free 3 months Hot Desk membership, mentoring and events at Dimension5 to build upon learnings, insights and networks gained at Ci2017.

Scholarship winners from Ci2016 said the conference not only provided them with an opportunity to present their work, but also meaningful connections, learning and an inspiring environment. A number of previous scholarship winners have gone on to build outstanding enterprises with very positive impact on businesses and communities.

Former scholarship winner Andrew Crowe said: "The Ci Global conference provided a great environment for the intersection of individuals eager to produce meaningful change. The world needs innovators to lead the way and I left the conference with the tools, ideas, new perspectives and new connections to help me to be one of these leaders."

Creative Innovation Asia Pacific 2017 producer Tania de Jong AM says the scholarships are given to emerging leaders to prepare them for the challenges of tomorrow and help them access decision makers across the economy and broader society.

"We are searching for the most outstanding emerging leaders, disruptors and innovators from across Australia who are creating the future. They are game-changers in society who are not content to just let the future happen, but rather are actively working to implement ideas that make a difference. Leaders that may at times feel afraid or uncertain, yet still rise to confront the needs and challenges of society head on."

The only forum of its kind, Ci2017 is an interactive community exchanging ideas and experiences on techniques and strategies across sectors, and a forum to gain empowering experiences.

Winners will join big and small businesses, entrepreneurs, educators, creative and government leaders and the next generation of leaders and leading thinkers from around the world, Asia and Australia for 'positive human collisions' to change the course of the future.

Ci2017 combines the talents of over 40 world-class leaders, thinkers and innovators. Ci2017 attendees and scholarship winners will join forces and spend time with Blockhain expert & former technology advisor to President Obama Brian Forde (USA), artist and cyborg activist Neil Harbisson (USA), Executive Director of XPRIZE Zenia Tata (India), Chair of Biotechnology at Singularity University Raymond McCauley (USA), Researcher & Founder of SelfHackathon Patrycja Slawuta (USA), Theoretical Physicist Geoffrey West (USA), Artificial Intelligence Expert Aleksandra Przegalinska (USA), Harvard Business author and disruptive innovation expert Scott Anthony (Singapore), global Smart Cities and urban development expert Hila Oren (Israel), CEO of Innovation & Science Australia Dr Charles Day, Deputy Commissioner, Design and Change of the Australian Taxation Office Jane King, Australia's Chief Scientist Dr Alan Finkel, Director Centre of Pattern Recognition & Data Analytics at Deakin University Svetha Venkatesh, Non-Executive Director of Telstra Steve Vamos, Associate Professor Rufus Black and many others.







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Last year's scholarship winners were:

- Mustafa Atee (WA) is Founder of ePAT, world's first, and revolutionary mobile medical applications using facial recognition to assess pain at the point-of-care for those unable to communicate.
- Mathew Bowtell (VIC) is a senior engineer at Toyota, who developed a functional prosthetic finger accessible
 to anybody on the planet for free.
- Ankit Chopra (NSW) is Founder of B-Corp certified Eat Me Chutneys, a socially and environmentally responsible chutney company that aims to reduce food wastage.
- Rez Haremi (NSW) is Founder of Essential Need, a charity that aims to end extreme water poverty by the year 2020.
- Mandy Lau (VIC) is Founder of Reach & Match, an innovative education kit to empower children with vision impairment/complex needs, also provides an inclusive learning solution in mainstream settings.
- **Troy McCann (VIC)** is Program Adviser and Co-Founder of the Melbourne Space Program, a not for profit organisation seeking to promote innovation in support of a strong Australian aerospace sector.
- Christine Parfitt (WA) is Managing Director of the Bottle for Botol app, an innovative water station location app that provides people the ability to locate nearby water stations in Indonesia.
- Dr Tanya Petrovich (VIC) is Manager Business Development at Alzheimer's Australia Vic, nurturing empathy
 through the development of the Virtual Dementia Experience™, VR apps and VR goggles technology.
- **Tele Tan (WA)** is Founder and Deputy Director of the Autism Academy for Software Quality Assurance, a social innovation harnessing the special talents of people on the autism spectrum.

Applications now open and close on Monday 31st July. Guidelines are available at:

http://www.creativeinnovationglobal.com.au/Ci2017/scholarships/

Scholarship winners will be announced late-September.

About Creative Innovation 2017 Asia Pacific (Ci2017)

Creative Innovation Global is the brainchild of Tania de Jong AM, a leading Australian soprano, thought leader, social entrepreneur and creative innovation expert. She is the Founder of Creativity Australia and Creative Universe. Creative Innovation has had rising success since launching in 2010. Currently in its seventh year, Creative Universe aims to bring together the world's most important thinkers and leaders to share strategies, solutions and best practice. Its specific focus is leadership, innovation, education, technology and science.

Event details

Where: Sofitel Melbourne On Collins, 25 Collins Street, Melbourne VIC 3000

When: 13-15 November, 2017

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