

# Microsoft recognises two Australian partners in global awards

Modis and Illuminance Solutions took three awards



Rachel Bondi (Microsoft Australia)

Modis has been crowned the Microsoft Australian partner of the year as part of the software giant's 2019 global awards.

The IT consulting firm also won in the Data Analytics category and was a finalist in AI and machine learning.

Modis was recognised for its contract with the Western Australian Police, for which it developed an "innovative" AI driven intelligent analytics platform. The solution allowed the WA Police to rapidly analyse huge volumes and types of data to identify investigative avenues and solve crimes faster.

"Modis was able to deliver a solution that not only delivered significant value to the customer but created a reference solution that can potentially be scaled to any police department in the world," Microsoft Australia One Commercial general manager Rachel Bondi said.

Perth-based Illuminance Solutions was awarded the Partner for Social Impact for the development of an integrated client and services management platform for National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) providers.

"Leveraging Dynamics 365 the platform helps providers address the strict compliance criteria and business model requirements of the Scheme while increasing transparency and quality in service delivery, helps grow and develop their workforce capacity to deal with demand, automate previously time-consuming administrative tasks and remain compliant with NDIS requirements," Bondi said.

Illuminance Solutions CEO Nilesh Makwana said the win was a great encouragement for the team.

"Illuminance Solutions is honoured to be recognised globally for its work across the non-profit community - these awards are the tech industry's equivalent of winning an Oscar."

Furthermore, Wiise, led by KPMG, was a finalist in the Dynamics 365 for Business Central category, while Adelaide-based Exposé was a finalist in the Power BI award.

Rhipe was named as a finalist in the Indirect Providers category, Insight in Education and Perth-based Velrada a finalist for Dynamics 365 for Field Service.

"I was blown away by the calibre of all the Australian submissions, and am absolutely thrilled that Microsoft Australia partners shone so brightly in this year's Inspire awards," Bondi said.

Winners and finalists will be formally presented with the awards during Microsoft Inspire, which will take place in Las Vegas in the US, in July.

The annual award recognises Microsoft partners who demonstrated excellence in innovation and implementation of customer solutions based on Microsoft technology. This year, the vendor received more than 3,000 submissions from partners in 115 countries across 41 categories.

Bondi was appointed to the role of general manager of Microsoft's partner organisation in May. She took over from [Mark Leigh who'd been acting as both Microsoft Australia One Commercial](#) partner lead and general manager of public sector. Leigh continues in his original public sector role.

