



CITCSA Flash

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2007 CITCSA AWARDS WINNERS

Congratulations to all our winners and finalists for the 2007 CITCSA Awards, announced last Friday September 21st at the Hilton Adelaide as follows:

INTERNATIONAL CHAMBER OF THE YEAR

Australia Arab Chamber of Commerce & Industry - SA Chapter

Award sponsor – 7C Communications WebEz

INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS AMBASSADOR OF THE YEAR

Mr Steve Marafiote

Award Sponsor – WESTPAC

SMALL OR EMERGING CHAMBER

Japan Australia Business Council SA

Award sponsor – Department of Trade and Economic Development

LONG TERM OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT BY AN ORGANISATION

Italian Chamber of Commerce and Industry - Adelaide

LONG-TERM OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION BY AN INDIVIDUAL

Mr Leon Coppins

AWARDS PRESENTATION NIGHT



Dr Minerva Nasser-Eddine,
Chair of Australia Arab
Chamber of Commerce SA



Mr Grant Chandler, Westpac
with Mr Steve Marafiote



Dr Helen Paige, Chair of Japan
Australia Business Council SA
with Mr Raymond Garrand,
Chief Executive, DTED



L-R Hon Michael Atkinson; Mr
Robert Berton, President of
Italian Chamber of Commerce;
Mr Tomaso Cognilio, Italian
Consul and Mr Nicholas
Begakis AM, Chairman of
CITCSA



Hon Michael Atkinson with Mr
Leon Coppins

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Last Friday nights' event at the Hilton Adelaide, attended by over 200 people, was a great success. Our keynote speaker Mr Matthew Michalewicz, made a motivational presentation on the topic "Going Global, living local: Maximising the Strengths of South Australia." He outlined his personal experience in moving to the state from overseas as a successful entrepreneur.

The Hon Michael Atkinson, Attorney General and Minister for Multicultural Affairs, representing the Deputy Premier and Minister for Industry and Trade, acknowledged that since 1999, CITCSA chambers had supported 70 trade missions and participating businesses had contributed over \$200 million to the state economy.

Superb entertainment was provided by the Bellydance Academy of Naiyima Hassan including a cute performance by the "Belly Babies", comedy by Jason Chong and world music by DJ Majestico. Ms Penelope Herbert was the MC for the evening.

It was terrific to see many of our members take up the opportunity to wear National dress and theme their tables, which made for a colourful night. Congratulations to the **Japan Australia Business Council** who won the best themed table. **Dr Minerva Nasser-Eddine**, chairperson of the Australia Arab Chamber of Commerce, won the best ethnic dress prize in a traditional outfit.

The Charity Raffle offering 18 great prizes raised over \$3000 for the Support Association for the Women of Afghanistan for the education of children in Afghanistan thanks to the generosity of our prize donors and ticket purchasing guests. The major prize in the raffle of a trip to Hong Kong was generously donated by Mrs Janet Chin from **Tee Lee Travel** in Gouger Street.

VIP guests attending the evening were Hon Michael Atkinson, Attorney-General and Minister for Multicultural Affairs; The Right Honourable, the Lord Mayor, Michael Harbison and Lady Mayoress Kathy Harbison; Ms Vicki Chapman, Deputy Leader of the Opposition; Mr Andrew Southcott MHR; Senator Simon Birmingham; Kris Hanna MP; Mr Dimitris Hatzopoulos, Consul-General of Greece in SA; Mr Tommaso Coniglio, Consul of Italy in SA; Hon Chris Schacht and Mr Nicholas Begakis AM, Chairman of CITCSA.

A great fun night with due acknowledgment to outstanding achievement. Thanks to our partners, sponsors, award judges and all those who made the night a success.

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