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Hon Kevin Foley
presenting award to
Ms Rajini Wood from
Australia India Business
Council



Mr Brian Hayes QC
accepting his award



Mr Robert Berton,
President of Italian
Chamber of Commerce –
Adelaide accepting award
from Hon Kevin Foley,
Deputy Premier and Ms
Tamai Heaton, Admissions
Manager from Le Cordon
Bleu



L-R Hon Kevin Foley,
Deputy Premier; Ms Irena
Zhang and Mr Nick
Begakis AM, Chairman
CITCSA

2009 CITCSA AWARDS WINNERS

Congratulations to all our winners and finalists for the 2009 CITCSA Awards, announced last Friday September 4th at the Holiday Inn Adelaide as follows:

INTERNATIONAL CHAMBER OF THE YEAR

Winner - Australia India Business Council - SA Chapter

Award sponsor – *SA Multicultural and Ethnic Affairs Commission*

INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS AMBASSADOR OF THE YEAR

Winner - Mr Brian Hayes QC

Award sponsor – *Export Finance and Insurance Corporation*

Brian is National Chairman of Australia India Business Council and the Premier's Special Envoy to India

FOOD AND WINE AWARD

Winner – Italian Chamber of Commerce and Industry - Adelaide

Award sponsor – *Le Cordon Bleu*

LONG-TERM OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION BY AN INDIVIDUAL AWARD

Ms Irena Zhang

Irena is President of the Australian Asian Chamber of Commerce and Industry and a successful business person.

AWARDS PRESENTATION NIGHT

Last Friday nights' Annual CITCSA Awards Presentation Dinner event held at the Holiday Inn Adelaide, was a great night which acknowledged the outstanding achievements of CITCSA member organisations.

The Hon Kevin Foley, Deputy Premier, Treasurer and Minister for Industry and Trade, in delivering his keynote address, paid tribute to the Chairman of CITCSA, the CITCSA Board and the 40 member organisations of CITCSA for their contribution to the State's international trade effort in these challenging times.

Mr Foley said that "South Australia could not compete with other states in their spending to attract trade and nor should we. But South Australia has a unique set of skills to offer with organisations like CITCSA who have been supported by both sides of government in SA for over 14 years."

Mr Nick Begakis AM, Chairman of CITCSA welcomed guests and acknowledged our valuable sponsors. He thanked the Deputy Premier for his personal support of CITCSA and for the Government's continued moral and financial support.

Mr Begakis said that CITCSA looks forward to continuing its work with the Department of Trade in complementing their international trade activity in countries where the government has local representation and fulfilling market access facilitation for bilateral trade in niche markets in other countries throughout the world where SA is not locally represented.



Annamaria Beni and Tasso Bouyessis entertain

He said that support of CITCSA was part of the SA Government's plan to ensure that SA's SME's have as many export opportunities as possible.

Ms Deb Tribe from ABC Radio 891 did an excellent job as MC for the evening. Guests enjoyed a four course meal with tasting plates for entrée and dessert. Premium wines were provided by the Grant Burge Wines from the Barossa.



Ms Mia Dion, Australia Asian Chamber of Commerce SA, winner best dressed.

Congratulations to **Ms Mia Dion** who won the best ethnic dress individual prize in her glorious traditional Chinese outfit. Congratulations to the **Australian Asian Chamber of Commerce and Industry** table who won the best themed table for their Chinese theme.

Guest speaker Mr Bob Mitchell from World Vision spoke of the importance of free trade for people from poorer nations who need access to export markets to sell their products and provide employment. Funds raised on the evening benefitted World Vision's Manzil Street Child reunification and support project in Pakistan

The Charity Raffle offering 16 great prizes raised \$3580 for World Vision thanks to the generosity of our prize donors and ticket purchasing guests. The major prize of a trip to Singapore flying Singapore Airlines was generously donated by Mrs Janet Chin from **Tee Lee Travel** in Gouger Street.



Members of Volya Ukrainian Dancers entertain the audience

Entertainment of the night was provided by members of SA's Volya Ukrainian Dancers and classical singers based in SA, Annamaria Beni and Tasso Bouyessis.

VIP guests attending the evening included:

Mr Hieu Van Le, Lieutenant-Governor of SA and Chairman, SA Multicultural and Ethnic Affairs Commission;

Hon Kevin Foley MP, Deputy Premier, Treasurer and Minister for Industry and Trade;

Ms Isobel Redmond MP, Leader of Opposition;

Councillor Francis Wong representing the Right Honourable Lord Mayor Michael Harbison;

Mr Nick Begakis AM, Chairman of CITCSA;

Mr John Michell, State Director, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade;

Mrs Patricia Moessinger, State Manager, Austrade;

Mr Wayne Parham, Director of Trade, DTED;

Mr Geoff Knight, CEO, PIRSA.

Ms Penny Gale, General Manager, Policy, Projects and International Business at Business SA.

Ms Leela Hanson, Director of Business Development, EFIC



Bob Mitchell, World Vision



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