

Media Release

Financial Services Council Award Winners announced

The Financial Services Council Award Winners were announced last night at a gala dinner, recognising those doing excellent things within the financial services industry. These brand new awards showcase individuals who are truly making a difference for the industry and the broader NZ community.

Richard Klipin, FSC CEO, said 'Awards shine the light on excellence and help the entire industry learn how to do things better. The awards are aspirational and inspire us all to deliver strong and sustainable consumer outcomes. This year's winners reflect the strength and depth of talent in the industry. Congratulations to all of the winners and nominees.'

Rising Star Award – Mark Daniels, Fidelity Life

For an individual who has shown tangible growth and development over the previous 12-months, making a real difference to the industry while early in their career.

Innovation Award – Rachael MacDonald, AMP Financial Services NZ

For an individual who has proactively taken the initiative to lift professionalism in the industry by addressing a big industry issue or industry challenge.

Shaping the Future Award – Russell Hutchinson, Chatswood Consulting

For an individual who has consistently demonstrated industry leadership, proactively advocating for market change and a future focus.

Diversity Award – Ana-Marie Lockyer, ANZ

For an individual who walks the talk when it comes to diversity. A person who is passionate about making a difference on any aspect of diversity both within and beyond the workplace.

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Information about the FSC

The FSC represents investment and life insurance companies in New Zealand. The FSC has 16 member companies and 15 associate members. Companies represented in the FSC include the major insurers in life, disability, income, and trauma insurance, and some fund managers and KiwiSaver providers. Law firms, audit firms, and other providers to the financial services sector are represented among the associate members.

The FSC's purpose is to:

- be recognised as an organisation that represents the interests of the New Zealand financial services industry, including to regulators and Government;
- promote best practice and integrity in the financial services industry, including through the institution of codes of conduct, standards and the publication of guidance for industry participants;
- promote the financial services industry for the economic benefit of New Zealand and to enhance the sustainability of the industry, whilst recognising the primacy of the interests of consumers;
- develop and promote evidence-based policies and practices designed to assist New Zealanders to build and protect their wealth;
- promote the financial services industry as a medium for investment and protection for consumers;
- promote, assist and generally advance the interests of members.