

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

### **BEC Global are supporting the International Trade Award in the 2015 Belmont Small Business Awards**

The 22nd annual Belmont Small Business Awards are well underway, and nominations and entries are open until 5pm Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2015.

BEC Global are sponsoring the International Trade Award in the 2015 Belmont Small Business Awards. This year's Belmont Small Business Awards include a total of 23 categories for entrants to consider such as Best New Business, Business Person of the Year, Best Retail Award, Spirit of Australia, Business Migrant of the Year, Enterprise of the Year and Young Entrepreneur Award.

The Small Business awards are coordinated by the Belmont Business Enterprise Centre (Belmont BEC). Belmont BEC is a non profit community based organisation established, in 1994, to assist in the growth and development of small business. Over the years it has originated a large range of well known projects and programs for the benefit of its small business clients that have included Belmont Small Business Awards, Designedge Innovation Festival, Multicultural Business Support Services, WA Racing Industry Project and the Belmont BEC is also an industry specialist on creative industry, fashion and TCFL industries.

Carol Hanlon, Founding Manager and CEO from Belmont BEC / BEC Global said, "BEC Global is part of the Belmont Business Enterprise Centre suite of projects. International projects that BEC Global has recently been involved with includes the 'BPW Business Incubator ONLINE Training & Mentoring APEC Project' which delivered small business training to small business women from APEC economies such as Chinese Taipei Republic of Korea, Chile, The Philippines and Australia. In addition, BEC Global coordinates buying missions and promotional opportunities for WA & Australian based small businesses internationally.

"I would like to congratulate last year's International Trade Award winner, Supercrane Engineered Lifting Technology. I encourage all businesses in Western Australia to see if they qualify for any of the 23 award categories. The Belmont Small Business Awards are free to enter, and the Belmont BEC can offer lots of assistance for small business entrants, including providing free online information sessions on How to prepare an Awards submission", Carol said.

For more information on how to nominate a business (including your business clients or suppliers) for the 2015 Belmont Small Business Awards or for information on attending the awards ceremony in October call the Belmont BEC on (08) 9479 3777, email [awards@belmontbec.com](mailto:awards@belmontbec.com) or visit the website <http://www.belmontbec.com/awards>

The "Night of Stars" event, where winners will be announced, is going to be held on Thursday 22nd of October at the Perth Exhibition and Convention Centre in the Ballroom.

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