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## FINSIA AUSTRALIAN YOUNG FINANCE PROFESSIONALS OF THE YEAR AWARDS 2017 - WINNERS ANNOUNCED!

**22 March 2018**, FINSIA, in conjunction with RFi Group, are proud to have tonight awarded the Australian Young Finance Professionals of the Year Awards for 2017. Now in its 4th year, these awards are designed to recognise and celebrate the finance industries brightest professionals and are open to those aged 35 and under.

Tonight, at an awards dinner in Sydney, the winners for 2017 were announced. They are;

### **People and Culture Young Professional of the Year**

Sam Woods, Westpac

### **Young Retail Banking and Finance Marketing and Communications Professional of the Year**

Lachlan Davidson, NAB

### **Young Commercial Banking and Finance Relationship Manager of the Year**

Sean Trainor, QTC

### **Young Banking and Finance Risk Professional of the Year**

Jasmine Tan, Deloitte

### **Product and Proposition Young Professional of the Year**

Sarah Carrigan, Westpac

### **Customer Experience and Channel Young Professional of the Year**

Aaron Bergstrum, Westpac

### **Customer Insights and Analytics Young Professional of the Year**

Mathew Kerr, ANZ

### **Operations Project and Leadership Young Professional of the Year**

Mark Sawyer, my life my finance

### **Technology and Innovation Young Professional of the Year**

Upul Senanayake, Westpac

## **Young Professional of the Year**

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Chris Whitehead, CEO, FINSIA said; “These awards highlight the role models for professionalism in the financial services industry. Winners have been selected on the basis of their commitment to a positive culture and delivering great customer outcomes. These young finance professionals can be proud of their achievements and their role as ambassadors for the industry.”

He continued; “FINSIA is delighted to award the Hugh DT Williamson Scholarship, valued at \$16 ,500 to the Young Finance Professional of the Year, Mark Sawyer. This Scholarship enables Mr Sawyer to undertake a leadership, education or professional development program of his choice to enhance his leadership capabilities and further his career in financial services. Mr Sawyer is deserving of FINSIA’s prestigious annual scholarship through strong business results, people leadership and his outstanding further contribution across the broader community.”

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