

THE GOVERNOR
OF VICTORIA
EXPORT AWARDS

2026

This is your
moment





Acknowledgement of Country

Global Victoria acknowledges the Traditional Owners of the place now called Victoria, and all First Peoples living and working on this land. We celebrate the history and contemporary creativity of the world's oldest living culture and pay respect to Elders – past, present, and future generations.

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Message from the Governor of Victoria

**It is a pleasure to welcome you
to the 2026 Governor of Victoria
Export Awards.**

These Awards celebrate Victorian businesses taking their products, ideas and expertise out into the world. Their success strengthens our economy and adds to Victoria's reputation for quality and innovation around the world.



This year's finalists demonstrate how much Victoria has to offer. Each is succeeding in international markets and showing what Victorian businesses can achieve overseas.

Success in a new market is never the work of one person alone. It reflects the ideas, expertise and persistence of people across an entire business or sector, often over many years.

Tonight is an opportunity to recognise that shared effort and give it the credit it deserves.

To every finalist, congratulations. You should be enormously proud of what you have achieved and how far you have already come.

And to those selected to represent Victoria at the Australian Export Awards, I wish you every success. I know you will do our State proud.

**Professor the Honourable Margaret Gardner AC
Governor of Victoria**



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Categories

Agribusiness, Food and Beverages

For outstanding international success in the field of manufactured foods, beverages or agricultural products, including primary production, forestry and fisheries and related services or technology.

Creative, Lifestyle and Design

For outstanding international success in creative industries and consumer-facing, design-led products and services – including beauty and cosmetics, fashion and accessories, homewares and lifestyle products, design studios and creative agencies, and film, TV and digital content where brand/creative is primary.

Digital and Smart Technologies

For outstanding international success in information technology, digital technologies, software, hardware or digital services. This includes solutions using cloud, AI/ML, IoT, AR/VR, robotics, quantum, fintech, cybersecurity and related tools.

Emerging Exporter

For outstanding export achievement by a business which has been exporting for three years or less. Open to established and new businesses across any industry.

First Nations Exporter

For outstanding international success by a First Nations business operating in any industry.

International Education and Training

For outstanding international success in the field of education and training, including higher education, vocational education and training, transnational education, online learning, curriculum development and EdTech.

International Health

For outstanding international success in the fields of health, medical or wellbeing. This includes biotechnology, biosecurity, medical technology, digital health, e-health, aged care, disability, complementary health, pharmaceuticals and related services.

Manufacturing and Advanced Materials

For outstanding international success in manufacturing, engineering or advanced materials development, including advanced manufacturing and materials technologies, engineering, design and production.

Professional Services

For outstanding international success in professional services – including legal, accounting, business management and consultancy, marketing, franchising and licensing, financial and insurance, engineering, market research, translation services and tourism and business events.

Regional Exporter

For outstanding international success by a regional business – open to businesses whose head office or majority of operations are based outside metropolitan Melbourne.

Resources and Energy

For outstanding international success in the resources and energy sectors, including businesses involved in the production, processing or value-adding of extractive resources, or the provision of energy or resources-related equipment, services or technology.

Small Business

For outstanding international success by a small business with total annual turnover not exceeding A\$10 million.

Sustainability and Green Economy

For outstanding international success in the green economy – including environmental solutions, clean energy, sustainable materials, renewables, waste and water management, green building and smart cities, or businesses committed to sustainable business practices.

Also includes solutions utilising cloud-based platforms, artificial intelligence, machine learning, Internet of Things, augmented reality, autonomous systems, robotics, quantum, virtual reality, data collaboration and management tools, fintech, cyber security and/or blockchain with civilian, defence, space and/or other industry applications.

Victorian-Specific Award Categories

Global Victoria Women (GVw)

For outstanding success by a Victorian woman or women involved in international business.

Victorian Exporter of the Year

The Victorian Exporter of the Year Award recipient will be selected by the State judging panel from the winners of the thirteen national categories.

Finalists

Acusensus Australia

Additive Assurance

Australia Talentail

Bidja Wines

Big Ant Studios

Billi Australia

BlueRoom Simulations

Bubs Australia

Bulla Dairy Foods

Central Pharmacy Logistics

CG Spectrum

Chemwatch

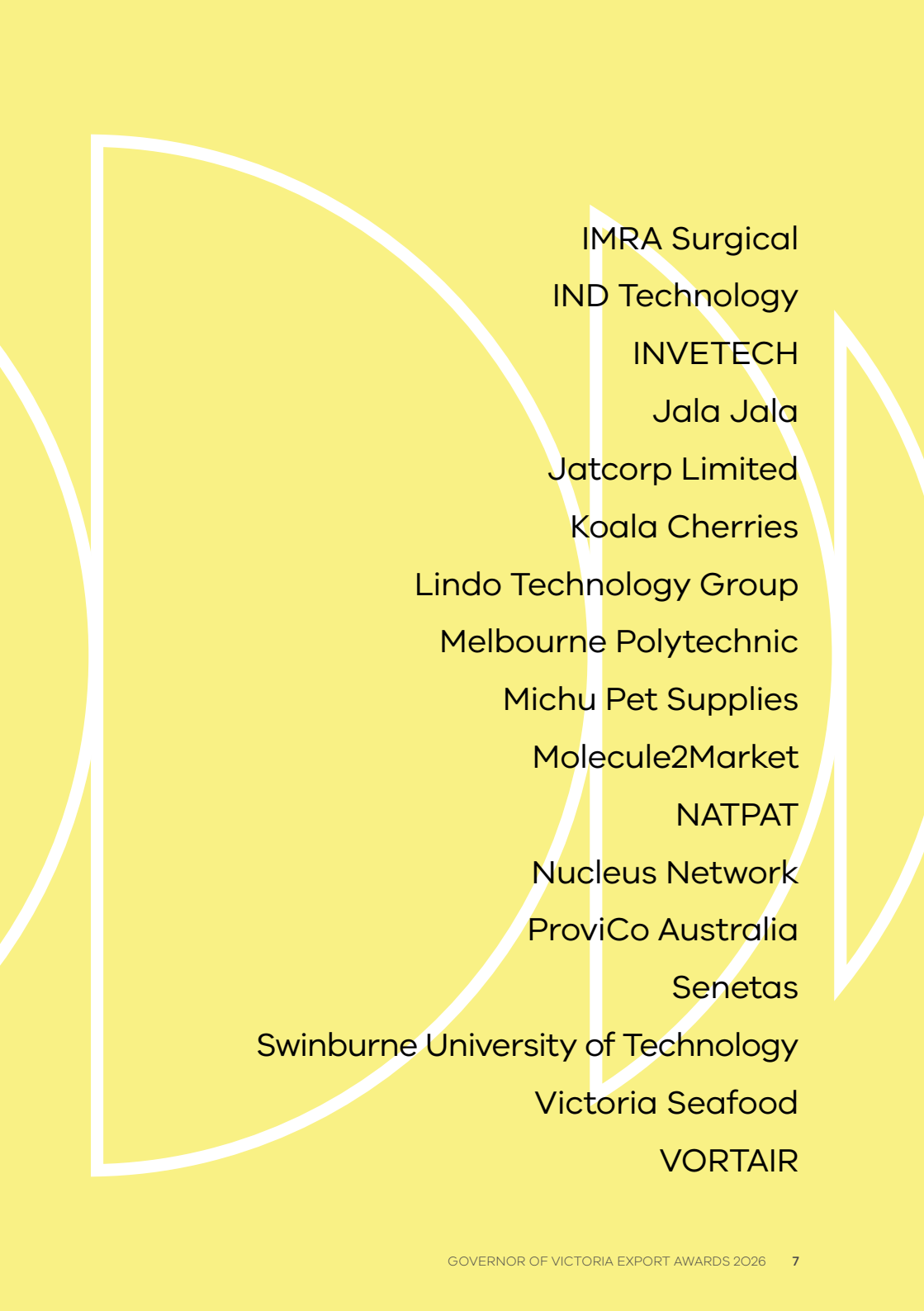
Clean TeQ Water

Dimerix Limited

Don Kyatt Spare Parts

Ego Pharmaceuticals

HiveKeepers



IMRA Surgical
IND Technology
INVETECH
Jala Jala
Jatcorp Limited
Koala Cherries
Lindo Technology Group
Melbourne Polytechnic
Michu Pet Supplies
Molecule2Market
NATPAT
Nucleus Network
ProviCo Australia
Senetas
Swinburne University of Technology
Victoria Seafood
VORTAIR



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Winners

ProviCo

Milk powder took ProviCo to the world. Now it's exporting something far more valuable.

From Dennington in South West Victoria, ProviCo is remaking itself as a global supplier of specialised bioproteins, high-value dairy proteins and nutritional ingredients bound for customers across Europe, North America, Asia, the Middle East and Oceania.

The shift is deliberate. And it's highly technical. Significant investment in advanced protein extraction and fractionation is opening new export opportunities and moving ProviCo further up the value chain, into infant, sports and clinical nutrition, health supplements and pharmaceuticals, among the world's most exacting markets.

The foundation remains the same: milk supplied by farming communities across western Victoria and south-east South Australia. As ProviCo invests in manufacturing capability, technical expertise and skilled local jobs, it is proving that a regional Victorian dairy company can do more than produce high-value ingredients. It can help shape the future of global nutrition.



Big Ant Studios

How do you take a game like AFL to someone who's never heard of it? Big Ant Studios found the answer in a video game controller and built a global business on it.

Founded in Melbourne in 2000, Big Ant is now Australia's most experienced sports game developer, creating true-to-life interactive experiences around some of the world's most recognised sporting codes and reaching players across console, PC and digital platforms. Exclusive partnerships with major sporting organisations let it bring leading competitions, athletes and teams to fans worldwide.

Its success is built on authenticity, recreating the players, venues, atmosphere and traditions that fans care about most. Titles based on AFL and NRL do something extra, introducing players around the world to uniquely Australian sporting codes and carrying local sporting culture to new audiences.

A rare mix of creative talent, technical craft and licensed content, Big Ant is proof that a Victorian studio can take on global entertainment markets and win.



Digital and Smart Technologies

Senetas

Governments, defence forces and intelligence agencies in more than 60 countries trust one Victorian company to keep their most sensitive data secure: Senetas.

Since 1999, Senetas has protected sensitive information as it moves across the networks used by governments, defence organisations and critical infrastructure operators. And as cyber threats evolve, it stays a step ahead, helping organisations prepare for emerging risks, including the challenges posed by quantum computing. Its highly certified, crypto-agile encryption allows customers to adopt new security standards without disrupting the operations they depend on every day.

A longstanding global partnership with Thales delivers this Victorian-developed capability at scale, securing mission-critical networks and communications for essential industries worldwide.

That's how Senetas has become a trusted partner to some of the world's most security-conscious organisations, helping protect the systems modern life relies upon.



BlueRoom Simulations

BlueRoom Simulations has taken a Victorian idea to five continents, training defence forces, medics and emergency crews to master skills too dangerous, too costly, or simply impossible to practise for real.

The company blends immersive digital environments with real equipment, medical manikins and natural hand interaction, letting people rehearse critical medical and trauma care in settings that would otherwise be out of reach, from military aircraft and helicopters to disaster zones and maritime emergencies.

What began as an aeromedical training solution for the Royal Australian Air Force has grown into a globally scalable platform, used by defence forces, emergency services, universities and healthcare organisations seeking training that is realistic, repeatable and genuinely effective.

By expanding capacity, sharpening readiness and building critical skills faster, BlueRoom is turning a Victorian breakthrough into a globally deployed solution for high-stakes training.



First Nations Exporter

Bidja Wines

Bidja is carrying a distinctive Victorian wine story to the world, made from premium cool-climate fruit and grounded in First Nations culture.

Bidja means “friend” in Ngiyampaa language, and the name holds the whole idea, a wine built on connection, to Country, to culture and to the people who drink it. First Nations–owned, the label brings together fine cool-climate wines, cultural storytelling and real contemporary appeal, reflecting founder and winemaker Craig Cromelin’s commitment to sharing First Nations perspectives through exceptional wine.

Working with respected growers across Victoria and in partnership with the historic Buller Wines of Rutherglen, Bidja makes wines that speak to both quality and provenance. Each bottle draws on the character of Victorian vineyards while carrying the stories, knowledge and connection that shape it.

As its presence in international markets grows, Bidja is offering a distinctive wine experience grounded in culture, connection and place, while creating new opportunities for First Nations perspectives to reach audiences beyond Australia.

**BIDJA**

International Education and Training

Swinburne University

Swinburne University of Technology is exporting a world-class Australian education across Asia and the Middle East, reaching students on their own terms, in their own countries.

It does this through a branch campus in Malaysia, a network of in-country delivery partners and online platforms that reach learners almost anywhere. Its transnational programs allow students to earn a recognised Australian qualification without leaving home, opening opportunities that cost, distance or visa constraints might otherwise place out of reach.

The university delivers practical, career-focused education across health, technology, engineering, science, business and the creative industries. From vocational training to postgraduate and research degrees, its programs are designed with industry, so graduates leave genuinely job ready.

By pairing international access with strong academic quality, Swinburne is opening doors to Australian qualifications across important growth markets, and equipping graduates with the skills, experience and connections to thrive in a connected world.



Ego Pharmaceuticals

For more than seventy years, Ego Pharmaceuticals has been exporting skin science to the world, earning trust through products built on research and results.

Founded in 1953, the family-owned company researches, develops and manufactures all its products in Melbourne, then exports them to over 20 countries. Its portfolio runs to more than 120 therapeutic and cosmetic products, among them the iconic QV Skincare, originally developed for the dermatology ward at the Queen Victoria Hospital, alongside DermAid, Aqium and MOOV.

What sets Ego apart is a refusal to chase trends. Its pharmaceutical-grade formulas are built on rigorous research, designed to treat chronic and sensitive skin conditions and prevent everyday irritation. The science, trusted by Australian dermatologists, GPs, nurses and pharmacists now earns the confidence of families across the globe.

From infants to the elderly, Ego helps people at every stage of life maintain healthy skin. It's a simple idea, backed by science and trusted by families around the world.



Manufacturing and Advanced Materials

Don Kyatt Spare Parts (Terrain Tamer)

Backed by an international network of branches and stockists, Don Kyatt shows how Melbourne-based engineering and manufacturing expertise can compete globally while solving practical challenges for operators wherever the work is hardest.

When a vehicle breaks down in the middle of nowhere, downtime costs real money. Sometimes, it can jeopardise safety, productivity and critical operations. Don Kyatt engineers the components that help keep those vehicles moving.

Through its Terrain Tamer brand, the Melbourne company supplies heavy-duty four-wheel-drive parts and systems to customers in more than 80 countries, built for some of the harshest environments on earth.

Mining, agriculture, defence, emergency services, infrastructure and remote communities all depend on reliability. By meeting or exceeding original equipment standards, Terrain Tamer products improve performance, extend asset life and reduce maintenance requirements, even in remote environments where replacement parts and support can be difficult to access.



Molecule2Market

Every new medicine faces the same gauntlet: the long, tightly regulated road from lab to patient. Molecule2Market (M2M) helps the world's innovators navigate it.

The Victorian contract research organisation partners with global pharmaceutical, biotechnology and medical device companies to plan, manage and deliver complex clinical trials across Australia and New Zealand.

Its senior-led team brings the scientific, regulatory and operational expertise needed to move through complex environments and accelerate promising treatments towards approval. From study start-up and regulatory and ethics approvals to patient recruitment and trial oversight, M2M helps international organisations manage the hurdles that can otherwise delay research and increase risk.

Working with clients across North America, Europe and Asia, the company removes barriers to clinical development without compromising quality, compliance or patient safety.

For the innovators it works with, M2M helps make the long road from lab to patient more efficient and better managed, supporting promising treatments as they move through clinical development.



Bulla Dairy Foods

Six generations. One family. And a century of Victorian dairy now reaching tables around the world. Bulla Dairy Foods' exports carry hard-won expertise, premium produce, and the character of the communities behind every product.

Founded in 1910, Bulla is Australia's largest manufacturer and supplier of ice cream and chilled cream in the grocery sector and remains proudly family-owned. From its production sites and innovation centre in Colac, it develops award-winning products using fresh milk from 270 Victorian dairy farmers.

The formula is quality, innovation and craftsmanship: deep expertise paired with ongoing investment in new products, manufacturing capability and consumer insight. Grounded in tradition, Bulla keeps evolving its range to meet changing tastes at home and abroad.

Bulla's export success reaches back home, too. Behind it stands a substantial workforce whose jobs are vital to regional Victoria's growth, alongside the farming families and one of the state's most important industries its success sustains.



IND Technology

Catch a fault early enough and you can prevent a failure before it happens or reduce the risk of a fire before it starts. From a Melbourne base, IND Technology is exporting a smarter, safer way to manage power networks, helping protect critical infrastructure and reduce bushfire risk around the world.

IND Technology has built that capability into more than 15,000 monitoring units deployed around the globe.

Headquartered and manufacturing in Melbourne, the deep-tech company develops advanced systems that help utilities identify faults, prevent outages and make smarter maintenance decisions. Its combination of Australian-designed hardware, cloud software and predictive analytics gives customers continuous visibility across their electricity networks, allowing them to respond to risks quickly and with confidence.

With operations spanning Australia, North America, Asia, Europe and the Middle East, IND is helping utilities tackle the growing pressures of ageing infrastructure and extreme weather. Its technology keeps power flowing more safely and reliably, even as those pressures intensify.



Talentail

Through research, collaboration and a commitment to innovation, Talentail is establishing itself as a recognised name in pet nutrition, taking Australian science and native ingredients to consumers around the globe.

Guided by a Science through Nature® philosophy, the Victorian company develops ultra-premium nutrition for dogs and cats using functional Australian ingredients, backed by research with the University of Melbourne. It was the first company in the world to put Kakadu Plum, Australia's native superfruit, into pet food.

Its products support immunity, joint health, digestion and overall wellbeing, combining scientific rigour with the unique qualities of native Australian ingredients.

As demand grows for pet food that is high-quality, traceable and evidence-based, Talentail is carving out a distinctive position in international markets. Its products combine Australian provenance, nutritional science and functional native ingredients in a way that resonates with modern pet owners.



Sustainability and Green Economy

Clean TeQ Water

Water is getting scarcer, and what's dissolved in it is getting more valuable. Clean TeQ Water treats both as opportunities, applying its innovation to some of the world's most complex water and resource challenges. The Melbourne-based company designs, builds and delivers treatment plants for mining, industrial and municipal customers, maximising water recovery, enabling reuse and improving environmental performance while helping extract the critical minerals the global energy transition depends on.

Its Australian-engineered technologies are at work across Europe, Asia, Africa, and North and South America, addressing everything from water scarcity to sustainable resource recovery. A portfolio of proprietary, home-grown technologies helps customers operate more efficiently, recover greater value from their resources and meet increasingly stringent environmental standards.

From phosphorus recovery for the pharmaceutical sector to lithium processing for the world's energy transition, Clean TeQ Water delivers improved water recovery, more sustainable resource use and better environmental outcomes for customers around the globe.



Global Victoria Women (GVw)



Dr Nina Webster
Dimerix

Dr Nina Webster has built a career on turning Australian science into global opportunity.

Her leadership demonstrates how scientific innovation, commercial vision and international collaboration can deliver both outstanding export success and meaningful health outcomes.

As CEO and Managing Director of Dimerix, she has led the company's transformation from a locally focused biotechnology company into a globally recognised organisation, developing treatments for patients with unmet medical needs around the world.

Under Nina's leadership, Dimerix has secured major commercial partnerships across North America, Europe, Japan, Australia, New Zealand and the Middle East.

She has championed a partnership-led approach to international growth, enabling Dimerix to expand efficiently into new markets while drawing on local expertise in regulation, pricing and distribution. The strategy has strengthened the company's global competitiveness and helped position Australian biotechnology on the world stage.

At the same time, Nina has overseen the advancement of Dimerix's lead drug candidate, DMX-200, through a global Phase 3 clinical trial while building a high-performing team and nurturing Australian talent.



Victorian Exporter of Year

Ego Pharmaceuticals

From a Melbourne laundry to more than 20 international markets, Ego's story is one of scientific excellence, long-term thinking and sustained global growth, with almost half of its revenue now coming from exports.

Founded in 1953 by chemist Gerald Oppenheim and his wife Rae, a nurse, Ego Pharmaceuticals develops science-backed dermatological skincare products, with exports reaching more than 20 countries.

At the heart of its portfolio is QV Skincare, created in response to a request from Melbourne's Queen Victoria Hospital more than 50 years ago and now one of Australia's most recognised skincare brands. Alongside trusted brands including DermAid, Aqium and MOOV, it showcases the breadth of Ego's expertise across skin health, therapeutic care and consumer healthcare.

Built on clinical research, advanced manufacturing and a long-term commitment to quality, Ego has earned the confidence of healthcare professionals and consumers alike in markets across the Middle East, Asia and the United Kingdom.

Global demand is driving significant investment back into Victoria. Ego's expanded manufacturing and distribution operations are increasing production capacity, supporting local employment and helping meet growing demand for Australian-made skincare worldwide.

The company's international success is a measure of global trust earned by a Victorian family's vision and commitment for more than 70 years.



Congratulations to the Winners

We wish you success at the 64th Australian Export Awards

Applicants

AATC – Australasian Academy
of Tennis Coaches

Acusensus Australia

Additive Assurance

AGILIMED

Australia Talentail

Australian Consolidated Milk

Australian Tea Masters

Bidja Wines

Big Ant Studios

Billi Australia

BlueRoom Simulations

BRIGHTEST AUSTRALIA

Bubs Australia

Bulla Dairy Foods

BULLER WINES

Central Pharmacy Logistics

CG Spectrum

Chemwatch

Clean TeQ Water

Dimerix Limited

Don Kyatt Spare Parts

Ego Pharmaceuticals

FlexRule

Formulytica

FrankieOne

HealthGuard Corporation

HealthRFID

HiveKeepers

IMRA Surgical

IND Technology

Ingenuous

INVETECH

Jala Jala

Jatcorp Limited

Kadac Proprietary Limited

Koala Cherries

Kronos Enterprises

Laucke Flour Mills

LIFE-SPACE GROUP

Lindo Technology Group

Melbourne Polytechnic

MICHU PET SUPPLIES

Molecule2Market

NATPAT

Nucleus Network

Palms Vineyards

Provico Australia

REX SERVICE

SDI Limited

Senetas

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