



SUPERRATINGS' MEDIA RELEASE

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SUPERRATINGS' AWARD NOMINEES REVEALED

After another challenging year for Australia's super funds, with the implementation of regulatory changes across a broad spectrum of their activities and with continued market volatility, SuperRatings are pleased to announce the following finalists in the SuperRatings' Fund of the Year Awards. This year's finalists, listed in alphabetical order, should be congratulated on achieving this significant milestone.

Super of the Year Finalists

Recognising the Best Value for Money Accumulation product:

- AustralianSuper
- CareSuper
- Catholic Super
- First State Super
- HESTA
- HOSTPLUS
- QSuper
- REST Industry Super
- Sunsuper
- Telstra Super

Pension of the Year Finalists

Recognising the Best Value for Money Retirement product:

- AustralianSuper
- AUSCOAL Super
- BUSSQ
- Catholic Super
- Club Plus
- HOSTPLUS
- QSuper
- REST Industry Super
- Russell Private Active Pension
- Sunsuper

Best New Product Finalists

Recognising the best new product launched in the past period:

- CBA Essential Super
- MTAA Super RetireSafe
- QSuper Guaranteed Term Annuity
- Suncorp Everyday Super

Rising Star Finalists

Recognising the fund that has most improved its value proposition to members in the past year:

- Kinetic Super
- Qantas Super
- Retirement Benefits Fund
- VicSuper

SuperRatings welcome media enquiries regarding these award announcements.

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The winners will be announced at the annual SuperRatings' dinner at the Melbourne Sofitel on Collins, on October 15, after the Day of Confrontation conference at the same venue. The Fund of the Year Award will also be announced at the dinner, recognising the fund offering Best Value end-to-end retirement solution.

Nathan MacPhee, SuperRatings' Chief Executive, said the degree and pace of change within the superannuation industry, driven by regulatory change as well as market and demographic forces, had put a lot of pressure on trustees and management of all funds in the past year.

"You have to take your hat off to them. Out of a field of over 300 accumulation and 170 retirement products, our research shows that the finalists, along with many other funds, have performed very well across our assessment categories in what has been an extremely difficult environment."

The SuperRatings' Awards, now in their 11th year, follow a process-driven assessment system derived from how we rate all funds and their individual superannuation and retirement income products.

The Day of Confrontation conference, which precedes the Awards, usually attracts about 250 senior industry people. It is noted for speakers and sessions which are aimed at challenging the super fund industry to some 'outside-the-box' thinking.

For more information about the Conference and Dinner, please visit: www.superratings.com.au/events

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