

**Richard Pearse Trophy
for
Innovative Excellence
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NZ Aviation Industry.**

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New Zealand is home to a host of dynamic, technology-led companies and an internationally-renowned university sector. The Richard Pearse Trophy for Innovative Excellence in the NZ Aviation Industry turns the spotlight on their achievements.

This trophy will be awarded to a specific project or ongoing initiative that exhibits innovation in the field of aerospace, for example; development of innovative materials, power, propulsion or guidance systems, or equipment.

RULES & CONDITIONS

- 1) The competition is open to New Zealand based individuals, organisations (including military) or institutions.
- 2) Projects in collaboration with international entities will be accepted as long as it can be shown that there is substantial NZ involvement.
- 3) Nominations must be submitted in English. Reference letters are considered confidential. Names and addresses of references should be suggested by the nominator.
- 4) All entries must be submitted on the Entry Form.
- 5) Once received, no entries will be returned.
- 6) Entrants are encouraged to send relevant supporting material (e.g. photographs, drawings or videos) No responsibility will be accepted by the AIA for any material sent.
- 7) All materials and information submitted will be treated as confidential and will not, subject to 8 below, be disclosed to third parties without the express permission of the entrant.
- 8) The winners may be required to take part in media publicity and this is a condition of entry. They must also agree to take part in the presentation ceremony and to exhibit their products/innovations at the presentation as required to do so by the AIA.
- 9) The AIA cannot accept any responsibility whatsoever for any infringement, loss of, or for the protection of patents, copyrights or any other rights in the ideas and proposals submitted in this competition. Entrants must ensure that any necessary protection of their interest is arranged before submitting their entries.
- 10) The AIA will not be responsible for entries which may be damaged, delayed, lost or mislaid in the post or otherwise or for any subsequent letter or document not being received on time or at all either by the AIA or the entrants.
- 11) There can be no appeal against the decision of the AIA or of any judge or committee appointed by them and these decisions must be accepted as final in respect of all matters concerning this competition including the interpretation of the rules and conditions.
- 12) Nominations may be submitted by mail, fax or email. Original supporting materials must be sent by mail.

- 13) Businesses owned or part-owned by employees of the AIA or members of their families are not eligible to enter.

CRITERIA

The judges will give consideration to the following areas when assessing entries:

- 1) Evidence of technical innovation at the heart of the project.
- 2) Evidence that the outcome of the project has made, or is likely to make, an impact in its end marketplace, or will advance technological progress in its field of application.
- 3) Evidence of substantial NZ involvement where the project is being undertaken in collaboration with an overseas entity.
- 4) Evidence as to environmental impact, if any, of the project.

JUDGING PANEL

The judging panel will consist of 5 members including a direct descendant of Richard Pearse

Names of judges will not be advised to the nominees until after the final decision has been made as to the awarding of the trophy.

The award winner will be announced at the AIA Awards Dinner in July 2011.

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Entry Form

**Name of Individual, Organisation
or Institution**

Where applicable please list main members of teams

Name	Role	Organisation

Please note that for logistical purposes we require the name and contact details of a suitable contact for the nominated collaboration:

Contact name
Occupation / job title
Company
Tel no
Email

General information . your details

Contact name
Occupation / job title
Organisation
Address
Postcode
Telephone no
Mobile no
Email Address
Date

Please answer the following:

1. Outline the background to the project or collaborative initiative and the reason for undertaking it.

(Please insert question 1 answer here)

2. Explain how the project or initiative being entered demonstrates innovation. For example: Will the end result be an innovative product or process? Are innovative methods used during the project itself to achieve its aims?

(Please insert question 2 answer here)

3. Give brief details of the actual or intended impact of the project or collaboration on its marketplace and how it will benefit end-users in its sector. Provide supporting financial details (for example sales or profit figures) if applicable and available.

(Please insert question 3 answer here)

4. Give brief details of the actual or intended impact of the project or collaboration on the environment. Provide supporting financial details (for example sales or profit figures) if applicable and available.

(Please insert question 4 answer here)

5. Why should your entry win? Sum up in no more than 100 words why the entry demonstrates both innovation and collaboration and will make a real difference in its sector.

(Please insert question 5 answer here)