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CONGRATULATIONS SUNSHINE COAST CITY COUNCIL WINNERS OF THE 2016 LG PROFESSIONALS AUSTRALIA AUSTRALASIAN MANAGEMENT CHALLENGE FINALS

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The Not-So-Secret-Agents from Sunshine Coast City Council have taken out the 2016 Australasian Management Challenge Finals at held in Melbourne on Friday.

The team beat a cohort of stand-out teams from around Australia and New Zealand, representing their regions in Australia's premier professional development program for local government.

'These are the brightest local government practitioners in the business and tackled some of the sector's biggest challenges and in the Finals, drawing on a deep reserve of leadership, negotiation, communication and advocacy skills,' said Lauren Oakey, CEO LG Professionals Australia.

The annual program attracts hundreds of local government professionals who compete in range of projects and activities throughout the year focused on problem solving, teamwork and leadership skills. The annual event enables collaboration with local government colleagues and allows participants to hone their presentation skills by pitching their ideas to a panel of judges from the sector.

'We have a strong focus on supporting the sector with practical and relevant professional development opportunities. In conjunction with our state partners, we offer a range of events, activities and training courses to help attract and retain the best and brightest to the sector,' said Lauren.

"Continuing professional development is vital to nurturing our local government sectors aspiring leaders. The program's emphasis is on equipping our practitioners with leadership, analytic, communication and problem solving skills and how to apply these skills in a practical setting, she added.

CEO Lauren Oakey thanked the organisation's Principal Partner, JLT, for their support of this Program.

JLT has a strong reputation in the local government sector, providing risk management, insurance protection and other services that mutually benefit Ccouncils throughout Australia. They have enjoyed a rich history within local government, and we are proud to continue this tradition by partnering with JLT in 2016, added Lauren.

About JLT

JLT Public Sector provides products and services to all sectors of government across Australia. Recognised as a clear market leader, the Public Sector team of 260 experienced public sector experts offers unparalleled expertise to all public sector clients through services including:

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- Insurance products and services for not-for-profit clubs, community groups and organisations.

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