



B-HERT Awards were established in 1998 to recognise outstanding achievements in collaboration between business and higher education in the fields of research & development and education & training. In accordance with the B-HERT mission, the objective of the awards program is to highlight at a national level the benefits of such collaboration and enhance links between industry and universities.

The prestige of the awards is indicative of the high quality of the submissions and the winners (see www.bhert.com for past winners). B-HERT awards also recognise the importance of collaboration with a regional focus and community engagement in the vocational education and training sector. Awards for Best Entrepreneurial Educator of the Year and Outstanding Philanthropic Support of Higher Education are also offered.

The awards are presented at an annual gala dinner and this year it is being held at the Arts Centre, St Kilda Road **Melbourne** on **5 November**. B-HERT is delighted that the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Education, the Hon Julia Gillard MP will be presenting the keynote address and the awards.

The 2009 round of B-HERT Awards are now open and business and tertiary education institutions are invited to apply. Information and application forms are available on the B-HERT website www.bhert.com. For queries or further information, please contact the B-HERT office on 03 9419 8068 or via email at bhert@bhert.com.

Applications close on 2 September 2009.