

## Feature Story

# Boeing Young Achiever wins national industry award

- Boeing employee Alexander Bowen-Rotsaert's accomplished career and drive for the future has seen him take out top honours in the Australian Industry and Defence Network Young Achiever Awards.

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Boeing employee, Alexander Bowen-Rotsaert has been awarded the Australian Industry and Defence Network (AIDN) National Young Achiever Award.

Bowen-Rotsaert is the first person in the Awards' 25-year history to have won the Queensland award two years in a row and, as national winner, has been recognised as an emerging leader in the defence industry.

"I've been a member of the AIDN Queensland Committee for the past twelve months and have gained invaluable exposure to defence industry and capability outside of Boeing," said Bowen-Rotsaert.

"As winner of the national award, I am privileged to have secured a place on the 2021 Defence and Industry Study Course which will provide an exceptional opportunity to further my knowledge of the network and communications needs of the Australian Defence Force and to connect with leaders in defence, government and industry."

AIDN works to assist small to medium enterprises (SMEs) to build opportunities with Defence and Defence prime contractors such as Boeing Defence Australia (BDA).

"Working with SMEs is vital to Boeing's ability to continue to innovate and deliver on future contracts," said BDA director supply chain management, Nick Gothard.

"Being actively involved in AIDN means Boeing is more accessible to SMEs and can provide opportunities for them to build connections with, and gain insights from the broader Boeing enterprise."

Bowen-Rotsaert currently works for Boeing Defence Australia as a Systems Engineer on Project Currawong, developing and testing network communications equipment with end-users around Australia.