



Universal Communications Group (UCG) is pleased to announce that CEO Rafael (Ralf) Luna has been named a regional winner in the 2016 EY Entrepreneur Of The Year awards.

Ralf joins other outstanding entrepreneurs from across Australia who will compete for the ultimate prize of being named 2016 Australian EY Entrepreneur Of The Year.

On receiving the award Ralf said “I and UCG were recognised as National Finalist, in the 2016 Australian Ernst & Young Entrepreneur of the Year competition. This is a prestigious program that covers not only Australia, but the whole world and culminates in the Global Awards in Monaco next year. To put it in perspective, there were close to 300 entrants, just for the Northern Region alone and only six were selected to progress to the National finals”.

Ralf added “the awards celebrate not only the entrepreneurship of the individuals, but also the company they represent, with 50% of the allocated scoring going to company’s performance track record. I thank all my staff for their efforts over the past years and this award is recognition of these efforts by the business community and our peers. We should all be proud of this achievement. Universal Communications Group Ltd was set up in 2008 to become a leading broadband services provider to Industry and we wouldn’t be where we are today if it wasn’t for the hard work of all UCG employees”.



Ralf will join his fellow national finalists at the national award ceremony on 20 October 2016 in Sydney where national category winners will be announced.

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## ABOUT EY ENTREPRENEUR OF THE YEAR

*EY Entrepreneur Of The Year™ is the world’s most prestigious business award for entrepreneurs. The program makes a difference through the way it encourages entrepreneurial activity among those with potential, and recognises the contribution of people who inspire others with their vision, leadership and achievement. As the first and only truly global award of its kind, Entrepreneur Of The Year celebrates those who are building and leading successful, growing and dynamic businesses, recognising them through regional, national and global awards programs in more than 145 cities in over 60 countries.*

*Further information about the EY Entrepreneur Of The Year program can be found at [ey.com/au/eoy](http://ey.com/au/eoy).*