



IPN 2018 Global Best Awards

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Swinburne University of Technology/Siemens Australia

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Overview of Award

Swinburne partnered with Siemens Australia to create an Associate Degree in Applied Technology. Graduates of this higher apprenticeship program are skilled in the latest technology that is just starting to exist in the Australian manufacturing sector. 50% the participant load takes place in the workplace.

Where is Swinburne University?

Swinburne is located in Melbourne Australia. Melbourne has a population of over 5 million people and is the 2nd largest city in Australia. Melbourne has a highly diversified economy with particular strengths in finance, manufacturing, research, IT, education,



logistics, transportation and tourism. Melbourne houses the headquarters of many of Australia's largest corporations. The biggest industry is the professional, scientific and technical services sector. The Gross Local Product is over \$94.6 billion AUD.



The impact of AI, automation and digitization is requiring future employees to have the skills that will be required by many employers. All the participants of the pilot program have been hired with Siemens. Swinburne is now looking to expand to include 5 more industry partners .

Cheers to Fiona! Here's looking forward to seeing you at IPN 2020!

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