

Innovation awarded in ICT

Mobile phone technologies, card payment systems and a website for booking hotel accommodation were among the winners of the 2006 Australian Information Industry Association's iAwards held this month in Sydney.

The annual event recognises achievement in the Australian ICT and electrical engineering industry.

The awards were presented by the AIIA, *Australian Financial Review*, CSIRO ICT Centre and MIS Australia.

Seeing Machines Limited won the local industry and research and development award for a technology that diagnoses glaucoma and other eye diseases.

Codarra Advanced Systems' electrical load analysis software which measures electrical loads on transportation vehicles,

won the industrial applications award.

The winners will represent Australia at the Asia Pacific ICT Awards which will be held in Macau later this year.

IEE and IIE merge

The British-based Institution of Electrical Engineers and Institution of Incorporated Engineers have merged to form a new body called the Institution of Engineering and Technology.

The new name was adopted to better explain what the new organisation is about – a corporate body for those interested in either engineering or technology, and covering sectors from ICT to mechanical engineering. The organisation now has a membership of more than 150,000 worldwide.