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### **Sir Lionel Hooke Award 2013 - Reuben Medding**

*The Institution of Engineering and Technology (IET) (also known as the Institution of Electrical Engineers) has awarded the Sir Lionel Hooke Award for 2013 to Mr Reuben Medding, Principal Consultant and Founder of R. Medding Associates Consulting Engineers.*

The Award will be presented to Mr Medding at a ceremony on 12 September when the President of the IET is in Australia.

The award is given annually by the Australian Branch of the Institution to an engineer who, by virtue of their degree of dedication, character and professional achievements has achieved eminence and distinction in the fields of electrical, communications or computer systems engineering, given service to the community and provided assistance to educational and public institutions.

The award was founded to commemorate the services of Sir Lionel Hooke to Electrical Engineering and Radiocommunications in Australia. He was the Wireless Operator for Shackleton's Antarctic Expedition in 1913-1914 and served in the Royal Navy in World War I.

Sir Lionel joined Amalgamated Wireless Australasia Ltd in 1919 as Melbourne Manager and was associated with the Company until his death in 1974.

Under his direction, AWA was a key supplier of electrical, electronic, radiocommunications and navigational equipment for the Australian war effort. Post-war, the company was involved in satellite tracking stations, colour television station equipment production and domestic radio and television equipment.

AWA was a force for education in Australia - particularly tertiary technical education - and had an influence on most Electronics Engineers in Australia.

The Sir Lionel Hooke Award commemorates his services to the Electronics and Telecommunications industries and is one of the highest honours that the Institution of Engineering and Technology bestows in Australia