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PRESS RELEASE

Jeff Whittle awarded Order of Australia

[Whittle Consulting](#) is proud to announce that its founder, [Jeff Whittle](#), has been recognised in the Australia Day Honours for 2018. Jeff has been named an Officer (AO) in the General Division of the Order of Australia for:

“Distinguished service to the information technology sector and the mining industry, particularly through the development of industry standard computer programs for strategic mine planning and optimisation.”



This honour follows a lifetime of sustained achievement from Jeff Whittle. Over the past 38 years, Jeff has pioneered a new industry, creating and developing global mine optimisation programs. His computer software has revolutionised the Australian and international mining communities in mine design, strategic mine planning, and most specifically, the ability to optimise the economic value of mine sites around the world. Following his development of the well-known Whittle Four-D & Whittle Four-X software in the 1990's, his more recent [Prober software](#) has become a trusted benchmark for [Enterprise Optimisation](#) in the mining industry. This has delivered lasting and quantifiable economic, environmental, commercial and societal benefits.

The Australia Day Honours were announced on 26 January, 2018 by the Governor General of Australia, Sir Peter Cosgrove.

Below is the full announcement:

OFFICER (AO) IN THE GENERAL DIVISION OF THE ORDER OF AUSTRALIA

Mr Jeffrey WHITTLE, Balwyn North Vic 3104

For distinguished service to the information technology sector and the mining industry, particularly through the development of industry standard computer programs for strategic mine planning and optimisation.

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Service includes:

Whittle Consulting:

Founder and Technical Director, since 1998.

Developer, Prober global mine optimisation program, 2005-2015.

Whittle Programming:

Founder and Director, 1984-2001.

Developer, Opti-cut pit optimisation program, 1995.

Developer, Four-X mine analysis program, 1988.

Developer, Four-D pit optimisation program, 1986.

Developer, Three-D pit optimisation program, 1984.

Adjunct Professor, WH Bryan Mining Geology Research Centre, University of Queensland, since 1999.

Professional Associations:

Fellow, Australian Computer Society, since 2006.

Fellow, Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy, since 1994.

Consultant, Newcrest Australia, 1979-1986.

Founding Member, Australian Mensa, 1964.

Awards and recognition includes:

Hall of Fame Inductee, Mining Software category, International Mining Technology, 2014.

Recipient, Most Outstanding Contribution to Mining, Australian Mining Prospect Awards, 2007.

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