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## **Sunsuper and Kinetic Super jointly win Fund of the Year**

Sunsuper and Kinetic Super have jointly won Superannuation Fund of the Year 2018 at the Conexus Financial Superannuation Awards - the first time two funds have shared the Award's highest honour.

For Sunsuper, this award represents the fifth fund of the year award in the last 12 months - an achievement that is currently unprecedented in the industry.

Sunsuper also took out Large Fund of the Year and Kinetic Super won Small Fund of the Year and Best Insurance Offering.

The Conexus Financial Superannuation Awards recognise excellence in the industry and funds' outstanding products and services that will ultimately lead to better retirement outcomes for Australians.

Sunsuper's Chief Executive Officer, Scott Hartley was thrilled with the joint win and said it recognised the funds' shared values in delivering exceptional services and products for the best interest of all its members.

"Five wins over the last 12 months is a mammoth achievement for Sunsuper and shows that we are continually committed to being the best proposition when it comes to managing retirement savings for members.

"This unprecedented and timely win for Sunsuper and Kinetic Super shows the shared values and strong cultural fit between the funds as we prepare to merge in the coming months.

"This is a merger of two great funds and is a fantastic opportunity to leverage the strengths and capabilities of both organisations for the benefit of our members and employers.

"Jointly winning these awards are testimony to the appropriateness of the merger decision. It also shows the strength of the new partnership that will continue to put customers first in an industry that is shifting with greater engagement from members using technology to be better prepared for retirement."

Once completed mid-year, the merged entity will become one of the nation's biggest superannuation funds, with more than \$50 billion in funds under management and approximately 1.3 million members.

The Conexus awards add to Sunsuper's existing accolades alongside *Money* magazine's Best Superannuation Fund Manager for 2018, as well as Super Fund of the Year awards from Chant West, Super Review and SuperRatings.

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