



Canada Export Awards finalists announced

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Twenty-five Canadian companies have been selected as finalists for the prestigious **Canada Export Awards** (www.infoexport.gc.ca/awards-prix), for success in exporting. The awards were established in 1983 by the Government of Canada to encourage Canadian businesses to expand into export markets.

The 12 Canada Export Award winners will be announced in November in Toronto. The following are this year's finalists:

ACRO Aerospace Inc., of Richmond, British Columbia (President: Charles McIvor), provides technical training and engineering services for helicopter engines and components. (www.acro.ca)

BHP Billiton Diamonds Inc., of Yellowknife, Northwest Territories (President and COO: James Excell), operates the Ekati Diamond Mine and produces 4% of current world diamond production. (<http://ekati.bhpbilliton.com/index.asp>)
Blood Tribe Agricultural Project, of Standoff, Alberta

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Anchors away

Canada pavilion at shipping show pays dividends

The Canadian presence at **Nor-Shipping** in June 2003 did not go unnoticed by the marine sector in Norway and abroad.

Xanatos, a British Columbia-based company that supplies AIS (Automatic Identification System) solutions, exhibited at Nor-Shipping for the first time and signed a distribution contract worth an estimated \$1 million annually.

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Shirley Wolf Serafini, Canada's Ambassador to Norway, with Jacek Piechota, Polish Secretary of State for the Economy, at the Canada-Poland partnering event at Nor-Shipping's Canadian pavilion.



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