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{Local IT company named finalist in national awards}

There is cause for celebration at Tanah Merah-based technology business AKIPS, as the company was announced a finalist in a nation-wide awards program last week.

AKIPS, which produces a network monitoring software, was given the honour of finalist in the Information Technology category of the Australian Small Business Champion Awards.

AKIPS Network Monitor is designed to service large organisations and corporations and is used by some of the most high-profile and recognisable businesses in the world.

The business started off in a backyard shed just outside of Brisbane, and soon became one of the most highly regarded providers of network monitoring software in the industry.

AKIPS has been honoured in multiple awards but CEO Paul Koch said being named finalist in the Australian Small Business Champion Awards were a first for the company.

"We are delighted to be a finalist in the awards for the first time ever," Mr Koch said.

"We have worked so hard over the past year through Covid, and it is wonderful to see our business recognised.

"We are a small Queensland-based company but we supply our software to some of the biggest and most famous companies in the world, as well as local, state and federal US Government.

"It is awards like this one that will really help our business grow further within Australia."

AKIPS will join professionals from a number of industries from around the country at a celebration honouring the best in small business.

The Australian Small Business Champion Awards night will be held at The Star, Sydney on October 30.

To find out more about AKIPS and keep track of their awards progress, visit www.akips.com or connect via LinkedIn, Twitter, Facebook and Instagram.		