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Shortlist announced for prestigious Business Literature Award

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Four fascinating and diverse books have been shortlisted from a record number of entries in Australia's largest award for business writing, the State Library of NSW announced today.

The shortlisted books for the \$30,000 Blake Dawson Business Literature Prize for this year are:

- Paul Barry (NSW) – ***Who wants to be a Billionaire? The James Packer Story*** (Allen & Unwin)
- Martin Brueckner & Dyann Ross (WA) – ***Under Corporate Skies: A Struggle Between People, Place and Profit*** (Fremantle Press)
- Bridget Griffen-Foley (NSW) – ***Changing Stations: The Story of Australian Commercial Radio*** (UNSW Press)
- Phil Jarratt (VIC) – ***Salt & Suits*** (Hardie Grant Books)

The shortlist was selected by an external independent judging panel: the Hon. Mahla Pearlman AO, Professor Richard Fisher AM, Alan Cameron AM and Narelle Hooper, editor of AFR Boss magazine.

A record 25 titles were entered in the Prize this year.

Chair of the judging panel Mahla Pearlman said: "The judges this year were impressed with the increase in the number of books nominated, and particularly impressed with the range of subjects covered in those books."

Launched in 2004 by law firm Blake Dawson and the State Library of NSW, the annual prize is now acknowledged as Australia's most important award for business literature. It was established to encourage the highest possible standards of literary commentary on Australian business and financial affairs.

The winner will be announced at a special presentation dinner on Thursday 5 May 2011.

The Blake Dawson Prize for Business Literature is presented by Blake Dawson and administered by the State Library of NSW.

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