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## Rajkumar Buyya awarded for contribution to cloud computing

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<u>Professor Rajkumar Buyya</u> [2] from the <u>School of Computing and Information Systems</u> [3] has been awarded the Mahatma Gandhi and Bharat Nirman Awards at the Conference on Economic Growth and National Unity by the Friendship Forum of India.

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Raj Buyya accepting his award

The awards recognise Professor Buyya's outstanding contribution to Information Technology and Software Engineering through cloud computing. They also acknowledge his contribution to promoting friendship and co-operation between Australia, China and India through his leadership of initiatives such as the Melbourne-Chindia Cloud Computing (MC3) Research Network and involvement within the Australia-India Strategic Research Fund.

Through the Melbourne-Chindia Cloud Computing (MC3) Research Network, Professor Buyya builds collaborative partnerships in Cloud Computing between the University of Melbourne and elite institutions from China and India. Additionally, the awards highlight Professor Buyya's contribution within the Australia-India Strategic Research Fund, which helps Australian researchers collaborate with Indian scientists in leading-edge scientific research projects and workshops.

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The Friendship Forum of India annually grants the awards, which honour men or women of Indian origin for recognised proficiency and expertise within their chosen field of work.

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