Merit Awards Announces 2026 Telecom & Wireless Winners

2026 Merit Awards: Telecom & Wireless winners for companies, products, platforms and teams advancing next-generation telecom, wireless and innovation.

IRVINE, CA, UNITED STATES, February 26, 2026 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Merit Awards, an independent awards program recognizing global industries and the markets they serve, today

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announced the 2026 Merit Awards: Telecom & Wireless winners—honoring the companies, products, platforms, and teams advancing next-generation telecom, wireless, and mobile innovation.

Winners were selected by a panel of industry experts, evaluating submissions for innovation, measurable impact, and advancement of modern connectivity—from 5G and private wireless networks to AI-enabled operations, customer engagement, security, and emerging deployment models.

"Telecom and wireless innovation continues to transform how people, businesses, and communities connect," said Marie Zander, Executive Director of Merit Awards. "This year's winners reflect excellence across the ecosystem—demonstrating the technologies and strategies that are shaping the future of communications."

A complete list of winners and categories is included below.

2026 Telecom & Wireless Winners
5G
5G Innovation of the Year
Gold: OneLayer

5G Networks
Gold: Red Hat and One New Zealand

AI
AI: Advancing AI
Gold: Netcracker Technology

AI: Customer Experience Optimization
Gold: Wildix

AI: Overall
Gold: monogoto

AI: Security Intelligence
Gold: Aviz Networks

AI: Technology
Gold: Airia
Silver: Transaction Network Services (TNS)

Apps
Consumer
Gold: JORDAN MOBILE TELEPHONE SERVICES - ZAIN JO
Silver: GVTC Communications

BSS/OSS
Gold: LotusFlare DNO Cloud
Silver: IDI Billing Solutions
Bronze: Netcracker Technology

Cloud Services
Overall
Gold: Ooma AirDial

Connecting the Unconnected
Innovations
Gold: MTA Solutions

Overall
Gold: stc Bahrain

Customer Engagement
Digital Experience Platforms
Gold: Transaction Network Services (TNS)

Digital Divide
Innovations
Gold: Smartphone For All

IoT
Industrial IoT
Gold: deviceWISE

Innovations
Gold: floLIVE

Overall
Gold: Globalstar, RM200M

Mobile Tech
Networks
Gold: Freshwave and Tower Hamlets Council

Innovations
Gold: weBoost

Next Gen Deployment Fiber/Wireline
Gold: Netcracker Technology

Private Wireless Network
Project of the Year
Gold: Freshwave and The National Robotarium

RAN Innovation
Intelligent RAN (AI-driven RAN)
Gold: Red Hat and Softbank

Satellite
Software
Gold: Netcracker Technology

Security
Overall
Gold: Ooma AirDial

Fraud Prevention
Gold: Transaction Network Services (TNS)

Innovations
Gold: Verimatrix ReAccess

Merit Awards for Marketing and Communications is now open: https://www.merit-awards.com/submissions

About Merit Awards
Merit Awards is an independent awards program that recognizes global industries and the markets they serve. The Merit Awards for Telecom & Wireless honor the best in current and next-generation telecom, wireless, and mobile solutions.

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