Global accolades continue for Sydney Metro Cable-Stayed Bridge

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The iconic Sydney Metro Cable-Stayed bridge project was once again a winner, this time at the 2018 Consulting Engineers South Africa (CESA) Aon Engineering Excellence Awards, held on 15 August in Johannesburg, South Africa.

Representatives from the proud South African Structures team, who worked for over four years on the project, were on hand to receive the winner’s award for Best International Project.

This is the fourth award for the project which has been the recipient of the ENR Global Best Project award and the Sydney Engineering Excellence Award, placing the project in the finals for the 2018 Australian Engineering Excellence Awards.

It is the second win for the project in South Africa; the first being Best International Project at the South African Institution of Civil Engineering (SAICE) Western Cape Regional Awards in May 2018.

Ray Murphy, SMEC’s Manager Rail NSW/ACT, said the successes to date on the project are testament to the international teams’ ability to work across locations and specialities within SMEC and Surbana Jurong Group.

“We had a 15-member team come together from across Australia and South Africa who worked to deliver the project over a four-year period.

“This is really unique as it is the first curved, cable-stayed railway bridge in Australia. It’s located in the northwest of Sydney and forms the tail end of a 4.5km elevated viaduct that is part of the new Sydney Metro.

“SMEC’s combined strength in bridge structures was a critical factor in the contractors Salini Impregilio winning the tender design.
“The team went on to develop the detailed design and undertook the erection engineering work for its construction.”

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