

Veera Johnson - founder and CEO of ProcServe - is named "Asian Business Woman of the Year"

21st May 2009, LONDON, UK - At an awards ceremony held at London's Park Lane Hilton last night, Veera Johnson was named as Business Woman of the Year at the Asian Women of Achievement Awards. Veera is CEO of ProcServe, the UK's leading provider of procurement and electronic trading solutions.

Veera Johnson said: "I am humbled that amongst such a strong group of my peers the panel, led by James Caan, chose to honour me with this accolade. This award follows on from the recent public acknowledgement of Zanzibar, the collaborative e-procurement shared service delivered on behalf of Her Majesty's Treasury. Martin Jay who led the collaborative procurement workstream of the Treasury's Operational Efficiency Review, pin-pointed Zanzibar as key to delivering multi-billion pound savings for the UK Government. All of this is great news for everyone at ProcServe, though I won't forget that at heart I'm just a girl from Preston!"

ProcServe was spun out of PA Consulting Group in 2006, as part of that firm's successful venture programme, and Jon Moynihan, Chairman of PA Consulting and Chairman of ProcServe, said: "All of us at PA and ProcServe are delighted for Veera to have this great recognition from the Asian business community through this award. Here at PA it was her ability, creativity, passion and dedication to whatever task she was given that marked her out for professional success. The leadership she has shown in building ProcServe to a multi-million pound business delivering year on year growth even in these difficult times has made the company a showcase to her qualities"

About the Awards

The Asian Women of Achievement Awards, co-founded by [Pinky Lilani OBE](#) in 1999, were conceived to celebrate the often unsung Asian heroines of British life. Such women make a huge contribution in fields as diverse as business, entrepreneurship and social and humanitarian work.

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About Zanzibar

Zanzibar is the strategic government electronic marketplace, think a secure Amazon and reduces the cost of procurement for both buyers and suppliers. It also provides a unique platform through which the public sector can collaborate with each other for specific categories of spend locally, regionally, by sector and cross-sector without the need for additional systems integration effort or replacing their existing systems". It is expected to underpin more than 10 Billion pounds of savings for the UK Government by 2012.

About ProcServe

ProcServe provides fast, flexible and secure electronic marketplaces and trading connectivity solutions. ProcServe's hosted, custom-branded solutions provide customers with the unique ability to leverage a software-as-a-service solution and maintain their own uniquely branded and configured marketplace. Customers enjoy a faster solution set up, lower cost of maintenance, and a secure environment. ProcServe also delivers OPEN and xchangewales, which are underpinned by the Zanzibar system on behalf of the UK Public Sector. For more information, please visit www.procsolve.com.

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