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Queenslanders win design award

A BILLION-dollar Abu Dhabi development designed by Queensland architects DBI Design recently beat an international field to win the World's Leading New Hotel at the World Travel Awards.

The Jumeirah at Etihad Towers was chosen ahead of Mandarin Oriental

Paris, The Ritz Carlton Hong Kong, The Park Hyderabad, Hotel Missoni Edinburgh and W Hotel London in the awards held in Qatar.

DBI Design is behind some of Brisbane's most iconic buildings and some of the most cutting-edge new ones, including FKP's \$210 million The Milton.

DBI Design managing director Warren Coyle said the award was recognition of the skill that existed in Queensland.

"The vast majority of our architectural design and engineering work was done right here in Brisbane, so it really does show the talent we have in Queensland," he said.