

# Westpac-KangaNews New Zealand Sustainable Finance Summit 2021 TURNING COMMITMENT INTO ACTION

20 October 2021 Westpac Britomart Auckland



8.30am REGISTRATION OPENS

9.15am MIHI WHAKATAU

9.25am WELCOME

Joanna Silver

Head of Sustainable Finance

Westpac

THE DRIVERS FOR ACTION

9.30am KEYNOTE ADDRESS AND FIRESIDE CHAT

Sustainability and policy

**James Shaw** 

Minister for Climate Change New Zealand Government

Fireside chat interviewer

Karen Silk

General Manager, Experience Hub

Westpac

9.50am PRESENTATION

Aotearoa Circle - gaining momentum

Izzy Fenwick Engagement Director Aotearoa Circle

10.00am KEYNOTE ADDRESS

Rob Campbell Independent Director

10.20am BREAK

10.45am PANEL DISCUSSION

**Governance progress report** 

 Boardroom temperature on sustainability: are directors shaping the dialogue or is it coming from within?

 In a time when Te Ao Maori worldview is increasingly being incorporated, how are boards managing cultural operating risks?

 Shareholder activism and mandatory reporting: guiding light or distraction?

**Panellists** 

John Duncan

Independent Director

Hannah Hamling Independent Director Rangimarie Hunia

Independent Director

Moderator

Andrew Bashford

Acting General Manager,

Institutional and Business Banking

Westpac

11.30am PANEL DISCUSSION

A wider understanding of demand: is capital driving corporate change fast enough?

 Are issuers feeling heat from institutional investors on long-term environmental and social risks?

• Demand from a wider group of stakeholders: what else is driving issuer engagement in sustainability?

• Sustainability strategy and future hiring consequences.

**Panellists** 

Sarah Bolger

Head

**Colmar Brunton** 

Natalia Fareti

Youth Representative and Pasifika Leader

INFINZ

Climate Portfolio Manager Reserve Bank of New Zealand

Simon Pannett

Director and Senior Research Analyst

**Harbour Asset Management** 

Mike Roan

Chief Financial Officer

Meridian

Moderator

Kate van Praagh

Head of Sustainability

Westpac

12:15pm KEYNOTE ADDRESS

Can values and value coexist?

**Katie Beith** 

Senior Investment Strategist, Responsible Investment **NZ Super Fund** 

12.35pm **LUNCH** 

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# IS FINANCE DRIVING ACTION FAST ENOUGH?

### 1:25pm PRESENTATION

Update on New Zealand's regulatory and legal environment

- Climate-related financial risk disclosure legislation: the top-three things companies need to know.
- Legal insights and key considerations when issuing sustainable debt.

**Luke Ford** Partner

**Chapman Tripp** 

**Nicola Swan**Partner **Chapman Tripp** 

# 1.45pm VIDEO LINK Q&A

# Global update: best practice in product standards, data and reporting

- What are product standards and principles trying to achieve in disclosure, rigour and impact?
- How are international markets keeping up with disclosure requirements and preferences?
- Toward a common understanding across asset classes.

#### **Panellists**

To be confirmed

### Moderator

Samantha Swiss Chief Executive KangaNews

# 2.10pm PANEL DISCUSSION

Treasury: where the rubber hits the road

- · Understanding ESG risk as financial risk.
- The sustainable-finance product suite and the rise of sustainability-linked instruments.
- Toward a common language for corporate sustainability and treasury.

#### **Panellists**

Kaapua Smith Head of Sustainability Contact Energy

Simon Till

Director, Capital Markets
Fonterra Co-operative Group

**Claire Waghorn** 

Sustainability Transition Leader
Christchurch International Airport

#### **Moderator**

**Kate Archer** 

Associate Director, Sustainable Finance

Westpac

2.50pm VIDEO LINK Q&A

Insights from Australasia's first sustainability-linked bond

3.05pm BREAK

TIME FOR ACTION: WHAT CAN WE EXPECT?

### 3.30pm PANEL DISCUSSION

All hands on deck – when and how will NZ address its material sustainability risks?

- Paris timeline is running out: bringing the whole economy to the table.
- Scaling up and catalysing private-sector investment.
- What do we do about the harder to abate sectors?

# **Panellists**

Mike Burrell

Executive Director

Sustainable Business Council

**Gary Holden** 

Managing Director

**Lodestone Energy** 

**Francis Sweetman** 

Portfolio Manager and Head of Sustainable Investment

Milford Asset Management

Bella Takiari-Brame

Independent Director

Moderator

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# 4.15pm PANEL DISCUSSION

#### No action is not an action

- What real action can we expect from business?
- What will stakeholders including investors demand?
- Where has progress been made and where does the focus need to be?

#### **Panellists**

Marc England Chief Executive Genesis Energy

#### Sandeep Parekh

Manager, Balance Sheet Design and Performance Manager **Reserve Bank of New Zealand** 

Karen Vercoe Chief Executive Te Arawa Lakes Trust

#### **Moderator**

**Simon Power**Acting Chief Executive **Westpac** 

5.00pm CLOSE



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