

Climate Change and Governance Conference 28 & 29 March 2006 Te Papa Tongarewa, Wellington

E nga iwi, e nga reo o nga hau e wha! Tena koutou, Tena koutou. Haere mai ki Te Whanga-nui-a-Tara. Nau mai ra e nga taipakeke, rangatahi hoki. Nau mai ki tenei hui whakahirahira.

To you who come from all points of the compass, greetings! We invite you to Wellington. We invite young and old! Come and join in this important gathering.

The Institute of Policy Studies, within the School of Government, and the School of Earth Sciences at Victoria University of Wellington invite you to attend *Climate Change and Governance: Critical Issues for New Zealand and the Pacific*, a conference being held at the Museum of New Zealand Te Papa Tongarewa on 28 and 29 March 2006.

The Context

The Conference takes place at a time of mounting international concern over the speed and magnitude of global climate change and its likely economic, social and environmental impacts. There is now little doubt that climate change represents one of the greatest and most urgent challenges faced by the world community. The Conference will explore the nature and likely impacts of climate change and the options for accelerated action by governments, business and the wider community.

The Conference is particularly timely given the current state of inter-governmental discussions on policies to mitigate climate change and the New Zealand government's current review of climate change policies.

Programme

On the **first** day of the Conference prominent experts will report on the latest scientific knowledge in areas of critical importance to New Zealand and its neighbours in the Pacific, while on the **second** day there will be contributions by leading policy experts and some of the principal stakeholders, including Pacific Island nations. The focus will be on framing the governance and policy issues, and the scope for global, regional, national and local initiatives to reduce and manage the risks inherent in climatic shifts.

An impressive line-up of speakers from Europe, North America, Australia, New Zealand and the South Pacific has agreed to participate in the Conference. Speakers include those at the cutting edge of climate science and related fields, as well as those directly involved in formulating local, regional and global policies to address the climate change challenge.

In addition to presentations by international experts on climate science and policy, and by business and community leaders, the Conference will provide opportunities for questions, discussion and debate.

Support

The Conference is supported by the New Zealand and British governments, together with the Royal Society of New Zealand, the New Zealand Institute of International Affairs, the Wellington Regional Chamber of Commerce, the New Zealand Business Council for Sustainable Development and the Climate Defence Network, a coalition of concerned non-governmental organisations. A range of government agencies and business organisations (NGOs) have provided financial support.

Who should attend?

Climate change will affect everyone. Effective local, regional and global responses will require an informed public and action at every level. Accordingly, this Conference is open to people from all walks of life. Apart from those close to the policy process at various levels of government, it is expected that many in the business sector will wish to attend, together with specialists in the relevant fields of education and research, members of NGOs and interested members of the public.

The current review of climate policy by the New Zealand government means that all policy options should be explored through an informed debate involving the whole community.

Purpose

The Conference has the following aims:

- To highlight the importance and urgency of the issues raised by climate change and provide the opportunity for informed discussion and debate
- To provide an update on the current state of scientific knowledge concerning these issues
- To explore the risks and uncertainties surrounding climate change
- To identify and highlight the possible and likely impacts of climate change, especially in New Zealand and the Pacific
- To consider, and critically assess, the policy implications, issues and options, both for New Zealand and for neighbouring countries
- To discuss the implementation of global measures under the Kyoto Protocol and explore post-2012 policy options
- To consider the regional and global governance challenges posed by climate change.

Please visit the conference website for more information and registration. http://www.vuw.ac.nz/sog/events/welcome-climate.aspx

(On line registration facilities will be available from 7 February 2006.)

We look forward to a very successful conference.

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