

# FOMA

ME URU KAHIKATEA

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Tena ra e hoa,

Ngā mihi o te tau hou

FOMA was established in the mid-1980s to 'foster and promote the sound management and economic advancement of Maori authorities'.

Since this time FOMA has actively lobbied and work with government and industry to ensure Maori rights and interests are part of strategy and policy related to Whenua Maori.

FOMA's wins and gains for its members have always been shared openly for all Maori with significant benefits like the lower Maori tax rate and the establishment of CFRT, the Crown Forestry Rental Trust in conjunction with the NZ Maori Council.

We provide members with a strong national voice. By regular communication with industry and government, we are able to represent members' interests on issues of national importance.

This panui promotes our upcoming FOMA Business Summit – our first conference since the Covid-19 Pandemic and profiles our partnership with Muka Tangata, the People Food and Fibre Workforce Development Council.

We'd love to share your stories and updates from your rohe so please drop us a line.

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FOMA exists to help our members prosper and grow, by connecting, informing and delivering.

For over 35 years, FOMA has brought together our members and business, industry and political leaders to discuss economic development and opportunities. Due to Covid-19, this is our first hui a motu since 2019, and we're delighted to be convening another world class event for our members and business, industry and political leaders to share insights and ideas.

Our members and partners have told us that spending time together, reconnecting and re-engaging is one of the main things people love about FOMA. And you've told us that bringing culture and commerce together, balancing business and bottom lines with people and place makes FOMA unique.

And this year's FOMA Business Summit is time for our people to share kai and korero together.

We're looking forward to seeing you!



Thursday 16 February  
Huinga Kahikatea  
FOMA Masterclass by invitation only  
Friday 17 to Saturday 18 February  
Business Summit



Wharewaka Function Centre  
Taranaki Wharf - Wellington



Tickets are limited  
\$ 895.00 + GST Member  
\$1850.00 + GST Non Members  
\$ 200.00 + GST Extra Banquet Ticket  
*Summit ticket price includes the banquet dinner*

## Programme

We are making time in our programme to acknowledge the passing of members who have made contributions to Te Ao Māori.

Please contact our team to provide information that you would like included: [admin@foma.org.nz](mailto:admin@foma.org.nz)

### THURSDAY 16 FEBRUARY

1pm - 5.30pm Huinga Kahikatea | FOMA Masterclass

### FRIDAY 17 FEBRUARY

- 9.00am Powhiri a Motu
- 9.30am Morning Tea
- 10.00am Welcome  
Russell Harrison MC  
Whakamaharatanga
- 10.10am Opening address  
Traci Houpapa, FOMA Chair
- 10.15am Case Study: Balancing Culture & Commercial  
Liz Mellish, FOMA Deputy Chair, Palmerston North  
Trust Chair
- 11.00am Indigenous Leadership
- 12.30pm Lunch
- 1.30pm Urban Ahuwhenua  
Anaru Smiler, Wellington Tenth's Chair
- 2.00pm Site Tours  
Village at the Park  
Te Aro Pā
- 5.00pm Cocktail Function  
Te Raukura - Wharewaka
- 7.00pm Evening ends

### SATURDAY 18 FEBRUARY

- 9.00am Welcome  
Russell Harrison MC
- 9.15am Our Future  
Panelists: Dr Ganesh Nana, Glen McConell, Kat Lintoff
- 10.00am Co-Governance | Partnership  
Keynote: Right Hon. Chris Finlayson  
Panelists: Liz Mellish, Annette Sykes
- 11.00am Morning Tea
- 11.30am Te Mana o Te Taiao - The Management of our Natural Resources  
Panelists: Dr Mahina-a-Rangi Baker, Matthew Smith
- 12.30pm International Trade and the Indigenous Economy  
Panelists: Ngahiwi Tomoana, Johnny McGregor
- 1.30pm Lunch
- 2.15pm Māori Leading the Climate Change  
Keynote: Minister James Shaw  
Panelists: Dr Tanira Kingi, Dr Charlotte Severne, Hilton Collier
- 3.15pm Closing Address  
Liz Mellish, FOMA Deputy Chair
- 3.30pm Handover of the FOMA Mauri mai Te Upoko o Te Ika ki Mataatua
- 4.00pm Conference Ends
- 6.30pm Black Tie Gala Dinner @ Te Papa
- 11.30pm Evening ends

## **SUBMISSIONS CLOSE AT 11.59PM ON SUNDAY 5TH FEBRUARY 2023.**

In February 2021, the Government announced it intends to repeal the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA) through three Bills. These reforms are an once in a generation change to the management of our environment in Aotearoa New Zealand.

Two bills are now at the select committee stage; the Spatial Planning Bill and the Natural and Built Environment Bill.

Te Tai Kaha Māori Collective (Federation of Māori Authorities, New Zealand Māori Council and Ngā Kaiārahi o Te Mana o te Wai Māori) Technical Advisors have prepared "primers" to assist with understanding the implications of these Bills from a Māori perspective, which Māori rights, interests and responsibilities in the environment the Bills recognises, and how well those rights are protected.

The "primers" cover the key themes within the Spatial Planning Bill and Natural and Built Environment Bill, and whether or not these Bills as drafted will give effect to Te Tiriti o Waitangi.

We encourage all whānau, hapū, Māori landowners, iwi /Māori to engage in this process and have your say to the Environment Select Committee.

Resources to assist whānau, hapū, Māori landowners, iwi/Māori understand the implications of these Bills are as follows:

[Link to the listed Primers and Submission Templates](#)

### **PRIMERS**

- Te Tiriti and the Natural and Built Environment Bill
- Māori Rights, Interests and Responsibilities relating to the Environment
- Environmental implications of the Natural and Built Environment Bill
- National Māori Entity
- The Report of Te Ropū Tai Timu Tai Pari on the transition of rights under the Marine and Coastal Area (Takutai Moana) Act 2011 in the new regime.

### **SUBMISSION TEMPLATES**

- SUBMISSION TEMPLATE – Spatial Planning and Natural and Built Environment Bills
- INDIVIDUAL / WHANAU Submission Template – Spatial Planning and Natural and Built Environment Bills
- MĀORI LAND OWNERS Submission Template – Spatial Planning and Natural and Built Environment Bills

## FOMA | MUKA TANGATA PARTNERSHIP

In 2021 Government stood up 6 Workforce Development Councils (WDCs) as part of the Reform of Vocational Education. The purpose of the WDCs is to give their industries and employers greater leadership and influence across vocational education.

Muka Tangata – People, Food and Fibre Workforce Development Council will contribute to the creation of sustainable, globally engaged, and adaptive Aotearoa in tertiary education,

Muka Tangata represents industries including dairy, sheep, beef, deer, pork, poultry, and other livestock farming; arable farming; horticulture; viticulture & winemaking; forestry, silviculture & harvesting; fishing, aquaculture & seafood processing; equine and racing; sports turf management; veterinary; and food and fibre support industries. Around 367,000 people are employed in food and fibre workplaces and related industries – about 13.4% of the total New Zealand workforce.

### **Te hunga kei te iho o ā tātou kai, ā tātou muka ki tua**

*People at the heart of our food and fibre future*

FOMA Executive Committee are pleased to announce a partnership with Muka Tangata and have developed a position to work on projects and initiatives that relate to workforce development in line with FOMA members' aspirations. Being able to connect FOMA members with an advisor who can assist them in realising their long term goals for employment pathways makes for a very exciting future for FOMA members and our whanau in the food and fibre sectors. We look forward to the opportunities that it opens up for FOMA members.

## SENIOR ADVISOR – FOMA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

Ko Tararua te maunga  
Ko Otaki te awa  
Ko Whakarongotai te marae  
Ko Te Atiawa, me Ngāti Raukawa, Ngāti Tuwharetoa ngā iwi  
Ko Daniel Wallwork tōku ingoa

Daniel has an extensive background in education and community engagement having worked in the secondary teaching environment in Aotearoa.

In the first instance, as a pilot Daniel will be working with four FOMA regions being Taitokerau, Te Arawa, Mataatua and Tairāwhiti.

The project will include:

- Building an understanding of the aspirations of FOMA membership for workforce development, and work with members on workforce development planning to support those aspirations.
- Advise FOMA members on ways in which the vocational education system can contribute to their workforce development aspirations.
- Work closely with identified FOMA members to develop initiatives that will enhance and add value to workforce development aspirations.

