

GOVERNMENT ECONOMICS NETWORK

Welcome



Formal Launch of the Government
Economics Network

Launch Programme

1. Introduction – About the GEN
2. Andrew Kibblewhite – Economics and Policy Advice
3. John Yeabsley – Cost Benefit Analysis
4. Networking - Drinks and Nibbles

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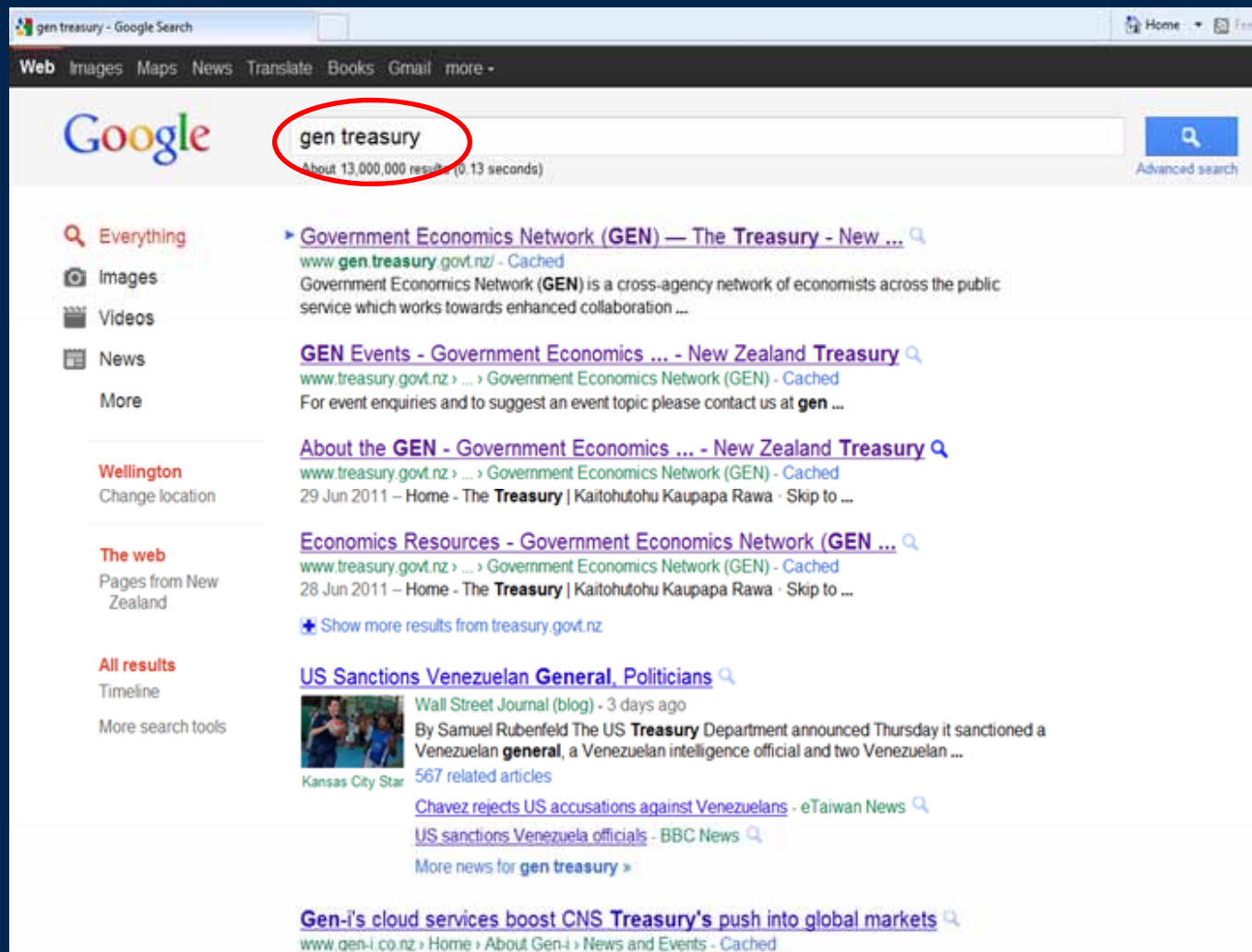
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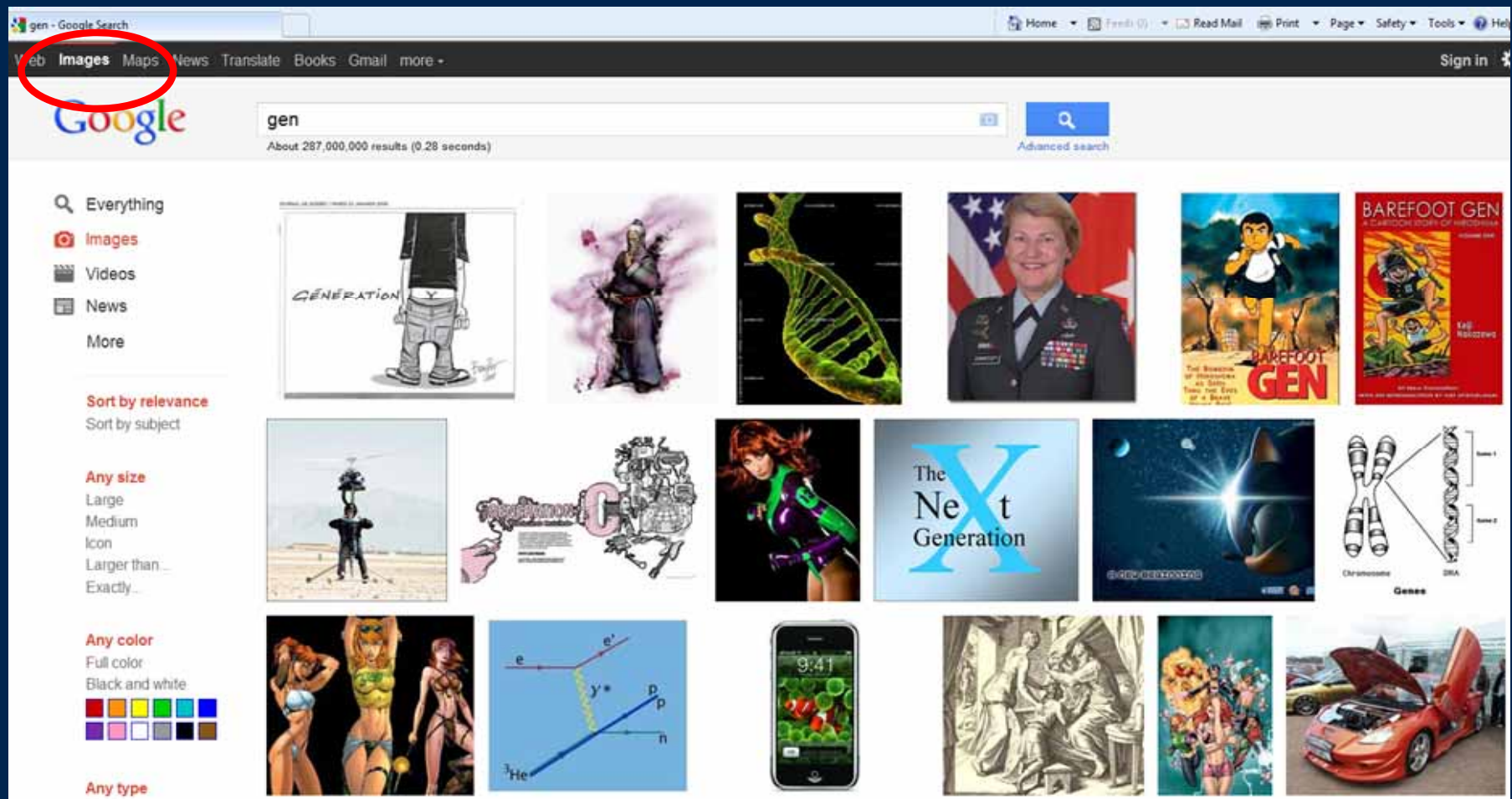


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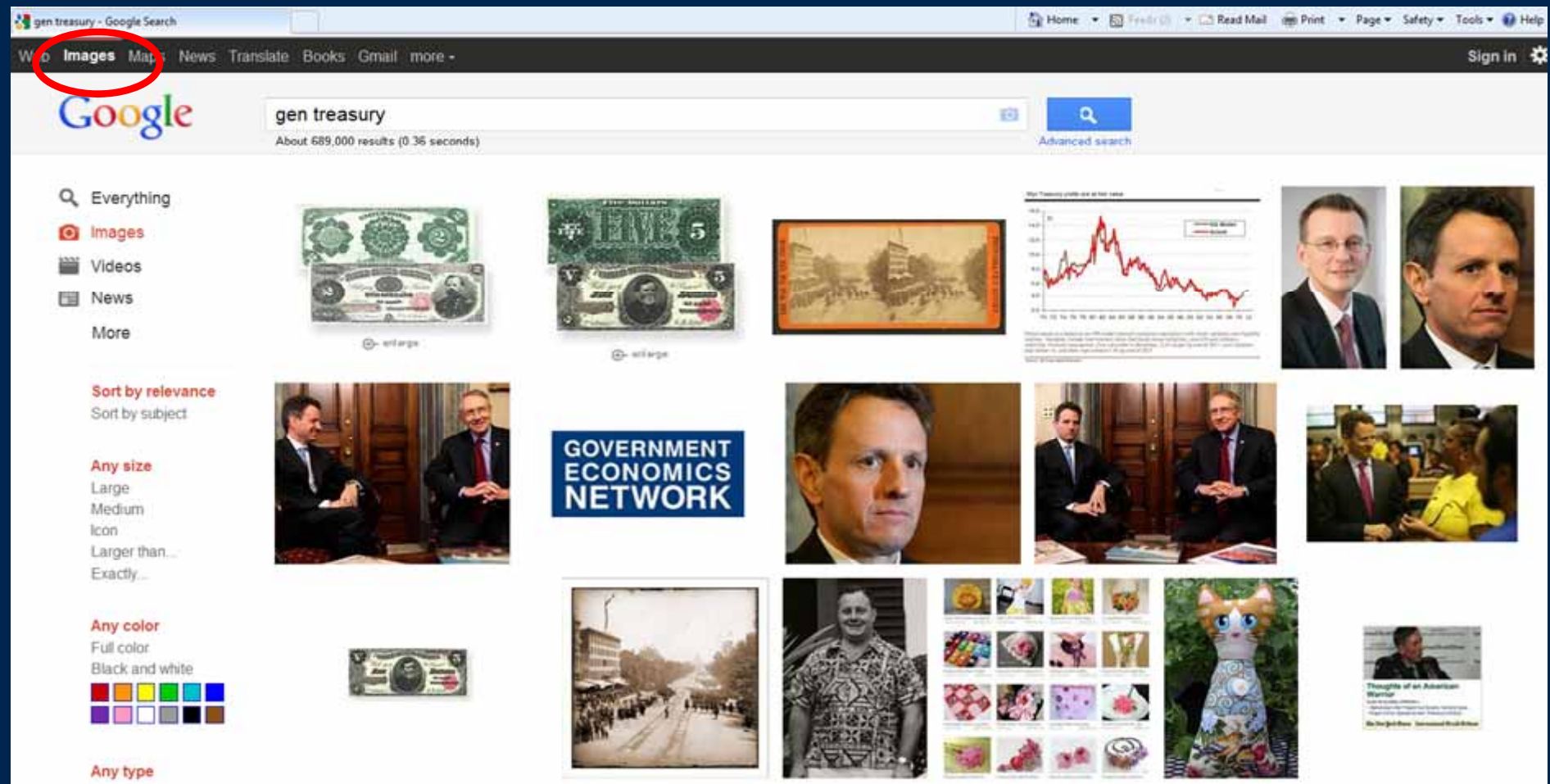
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Government Economics Network (GEN)

Government Economics Network (GEN) is a cross-agency network of economists across the public service which works towards enhanced collaboration between agencies to support the better use of economics in policy advice.

Current Topics of Interest

- Higher Living Standards
- Regulation
- Treasury's Forecasting Performance
- Economic Growth
- Greek Sovereign Debt Crisis
- Macroeconomic Imbalances
- Economic and Fiscal Impacts of the Canterbury Earthquakes

Related Sites

- New Zealand Debt Management Office
- New Zealand Export Credit Office
- National Infrastructure Unit
- Crown Ownership Monitoring Unit
- Government Economics Network
- 2025 Taskforce

Objectives of the Network

1. Support economics training and professional development
2. Develop linkages between economists
3. Strengthen economic advice to government

What does GEN do?

Initial focus:

1. Monthly cross-agency seminars
2. Annual conference
3. Quarterly networking events



Next possible area of focus:

1. Subject-matter interest groups (Modelling/forecasting; policy evaluation; regulation; labour markets)
2. Commission economic literature reviews/manuals?
3. Develop standard economic training courses for the public sector?

Who's in the GEN?

People on the GEN mailing list:

1. People from both the private and public sector.
2. Economists and non-economists.

Supported by:

1. The GEN Governance Group
2. The Senior Economists Group

Good representation from all Government Departments



The GEN Governance Group



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