



## Government Economics Network (GEN) 2022 Conference Programme

**New economic thinking in Aotearoa New Zealand – embracing a diversity of economic perspectives and analysing the distributional impacts of policy on our people**

Friday 12 August 2022, Museum of New Zealand, Te Papa Tongarewa -Wellington, New Zealand

Time	Session
8.30am	Tea and coffee
	<p>Q) <i>How do we bravely expand our thinking and analysis to develop the right policies in a complex world?</i></p> <p>Common conference question for speakers and guests to address</p>
9:00am	<b>Mihi Whakatau / Welcome address</b>
9:15am – 9:55am  40 mins (25 mins preso, 15 mins Q&A)	<p><b>Complexity in real life and real time (?)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Professor Shaun Hendy</i>, Chief Scientist and Co-Founder Toha NZ</li> </ul>
9.55am –10.35am  40 mins (25 mins preso, 15 mins Q&A)	<p><b>Complexity economics – 101 and applications for labour markets and COVID</b> (Zoom – Santa Fe Institute, New Mexico)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Maria del Rio-Chanona</i> - JSMF Postdoctoral Fellow at the Complexity Science Hub Vienna - Institute for New Economic Thinking at the Oxford Martin School</li> <li>• Conversation with <i>Professor Shaun Hendy</i></li> </ul>
10:35am (25 mins)	Morning Tea
11:00am  20 mins (10 mins preso, 10 mins Q&A)	<p><b>Simulating New Zealanders’ transport choices, today and in the future - agent based modelling in action</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Dan Jenkins</i>, Manager Analytics and Modelling, Ministry of Transport</li> <li>• Conversation with <i>Professor Shaun Hendy</i> for Q&amp;A session</li> </ul>

11:20am  30 mins (preso)	<p><b>Towards a Te Ao Māori theory of value: Manahau</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Dr Jason Mika</i> - Associate Professor of Māori Business at University of Waikato</li> <li>• <i>Dr Kiri Dell</i> – Lecturer, Graduate School of Management, University of Auckland</li> </ul>
11:50am  50 mins	<p><b>Panel discussion #1: Is there a unique philosophy for Aotearoa New Zealand in the economic space? How can this work in with Te Ao Māori?</b></p> <p>Chair: <i>Te Radar</i></p> <p>Panel:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Donna Purdue</i>, Chief Economist, Ministry Business, Innovation and Employment</li> <li>• <i>Dr Kiri Dell</i> - Lecturer, Graduate School of Management, University of Auckland</li> <li>• <i>Dr Jason Mika</i> - Associate Professor of Māori Business at University of Waikato</li> <li>• <i>Professor Shaun Hendy</i>, Chief Scientist and Co-Founder Toha NZ</li> <li>• <i>Liz Mellish MNZM</i>, Chairman, Palmerston North Maori Reserve Trust</li> </ul>
12:40pm (1 hr)	Lunch
1:40pm  50 mins (40 mins preso, 10 mins Q&A)	<p><b>Distributional impact modelling of the Aotearoa New Zealand economy</b> <i>The human face of change and the future of work</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Dr Lynn Riggs</i> – Senior Fellow, Motu Economic and Public Policy Research</li> </ul>
2:30pm  40 mins (30mins, 10 mins Q&A)	<p><b>How data guides and misguides policy</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Dame Marilyn Waring</i>, World Health Organisation Council on the Economics of Health for All</li> <li>• <i>Anne-Marie Brook</i>, Co-founder and Executive Director, Human Rights Measurement Initiative (HRMI); Research Affiliate, Motu</li> <li>• In conversation with <i>Te Radar</i></li> </ul>
3:10pm (20 mins)	Afternoon tea
3:30pm  30 mins (20 mins preso, 10 mins Q&A)	<p><b>Wealth, power and time: threats to equal opportunity in New Zealand</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Max Rashbrooke</i>, Senior Associate, VUW Institute for Governance and Policy Studies</li> </ul>

4:00pm 20 mins (15 mins preso, 5 mins Q&A)	<b>Spotlight on NZ Productivity Commission research – A fair chance for all, immigration settings, frontier firms</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Dr Philip Stevens</i>, Director Economics and Research, NZ Productivity Commission</li> </ul>
4:20pm 50 mins	<b>Panel discussion #2: A fair chance for all - what should economists really be concerned about?</b>  Chair: <i>Te Radar</i> Panel: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Dr Bronwyn Croxson</i>, Chief Economist, Ministry of Health</li> <li>• <i>Max Rashbrooke</i>, Senior Associate, Institute for Governance and Policy Studies, Victoria University, Wellington</li> <li>• <i>Jacqueline Paul</i>, Researcher at Ngā Wai a Tūi Māori and Indigenous Research Centre, Unitec Institute of Technology</li> <li>• <i>Paul Conway</i>, Chief Economist, Reserve Bank of New Zealand)</li> </ul>
5:10pm 15 mins	<b>Closing</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Mark Lea</i> – Chair, Government Economics Network</li> <li>• Summing up the day - <i>Te Radar</i></li> <li>• Karakia</li> </ul>
5:25pm	Networking drinks (until 7pm)

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