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13 & 14 April 2016, Te Marae, Te Papa, Wellington

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13 April 2016

DAY 1

8.30 Registration and coffee

8.45 Mihimihi

9.00 **Opening remarks from the Chair**
Linda Te Aho, *Associate Professor,*
University of Waikato

9.10 **Ministerial Address**
The government has a goal of full and final settlement of all historical treaty settlement claims before 2017. Minister of Treaty Settlements Chris Finlayson will discuss his current progress with settling the remaining claims respective of the 2017 goal as well as speaking on settlement of larger claims over the past few years.
Christopher Finlayson, *Minister of Treaty of Waitangi Negotiations,* **New Zealand Government**

9.40 **Implications of proposed Resource Management Act reforms for Māori**
The government is currently in the process of reforming the Resource Management Act. One aspect of these reforms is to provide for enhanced participation for Māori in RMA processes. This presentation will address the Resource Legislation Amendment Bill 2015 and the proposed reforms to enhance Māori participation. The session will cover:
- The proposed changes in comparison to the current RMA provisions
- The practical implications of the proposed changes for Māori and Councils

Paul Beverley, *Partner,* **Buddle Findlay**

10.30 Morning break & refreshments

11.00 **Political panel: Upcoming law changes**
Representatives from major parties are invited to discuss upcoming law changes and their party's response to them.
Peeni Henare, *Associate Spokesperson Māori Development,* **Labour Party**
More panelists to be confirmed

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11.45 **Moving along the road: Ngāi Tūhoe settlement and the future**
After breaking new ground with a large and complex settlement in 2014 Ngāi Tūhoe are moving into a new era. A representative of Tūhoe will speak on the effects of their settlement and where it has come from.
- Explaining the expectations of the iwi crown relationship
- Discussing whether negotiations achieved the desired level of mana motuhake
- Looking at the Te Uruwera legal personality

Kirsti Luke, *CEO,* **Tūhoe Te Uru Taumatua**
Paul Beverley, *Partner,* **Buddle Findlay**

12.30 Lunch break

1.30 **Proposed changes to Te Ture Whenua**
This presentation will look at the proposed changes to Te Ture Whenua and a timeline for the changes.
- Examining current issues surrounding land and problems with Te Ture Whenua 1993.
- Explaining changes to the Māori Land Court and the new Māori Land Service

Linda Te Aho, *Associate Professor,*
University of Waikato

2.15 **Interacting with Te Ture Whenua to benefit iwi**
- Looking at how the new Te Ture Whenua Act can be used in practice and its benefit for the community
- Understanding the current opportunities available and future developments to interact with the Act now and how to do so after the reform

Peter Johnston, *Partner,* **Rainey-Collins**

3:00 Afternoon break & refreshments

3.20 **Successful collaboration between government and iwi**
- Forming a successful partnership
- Explaining the challenges of successful collaboration
- Discussing the benefits for all the parties involved

David Jones, *Associate,* **Kensington Swan**
Tai Ahu, *Associate,* **Kensington Swan**

4.05 **Whaia Te Mana Motuhake: Report on the Māori Community Development Act Claim**
- Explaining the 1962 Māori Welfare Act and background to the claim
- Understanding the findings of the report
- Investigating the role of the UNDRIP and Treaty of Waitangi in the claim

4.50 **Summary remarks from the Chair & networking drinks**

DAY 2

14 April 2016

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Māori Legal Forum	Māori Business and Strategy Forum
9.00 **Welcome back from the Chair** **Linda Te Aho,** *Associate Professor,* **University of Waikato**	**9.00** **Welcome back from the Chair** **Tina Wilson,** *Director- Māori Business,* **NZTE**
9.10 **Stepping forward into the future: The Taranaki Iwi Settlement** The claims of the Taranaki iwi have been called "some of the most significant in the country." After signing their deed of settlement in September of 2015 the iwi moved into a new phase, moving forwards and looking towards the future. • The journey to settlement • Understanding post settlement goals **Jamie Tuuta,** *CEO/ Māori Trustee,* **Te Tumu Paeroa**	**9.10** **Growing the Māori Economy – opportunities to make a meaningful difference** The most recent Māori Economy estimate of $42.6 billion is an impressive number but is Aotearoa New Zealand focusing on the right areas for the right reasons. This interactive discussion will look behind the numbers and propose some insights and ideas to provoke your thoughts and identify opportunities to work together to make a meaningful difference. • Examining the numbers and composition of the "Māori economy". • Highlighting general drivers to growing economies and specific factors relating to the Māori economy. • Discussing potential ideas and opportunities to meaningfully grow the Māori economy in a collaborative manner. **Selwyn Hayes,** *Managing Partner,* **Ernst & Young Tahi Limited**
9.50 **Structuring Post Settlement Governance Entities** • Looking at best practice for good governance • Understanding how a PSGE is structured • Delving into key legal issues and explaining solutions to them. **James Johnston,** *Partner,* **Rainey-Collins**	**9.50** **Private Public Partnerships in New Zealand** New Zealand recently invested in a number of projects to enhance its infrastructure. A form of procurement called Private Public Partnership was used to alleviate the pressure for several government projects. This presentation will examine the value of PPPs in New Zealand.
10.30 Morning break & refreshments	**10.30** Morning break & refreshments
10.50 **Understanding changes to Marine consent** Because of its size there is a lot of economic interest in New Zealand's Exclusive Economic Zone and the new marine consent processes now required for undertaking many activities in the EEZ, such as seabed mining. • A review of the cases for marine consent decided so far • Considerations for Māori, including rights to be informed and participate **James Gardner-Hopkins,** *Partner,* **Russell McVeagh**	**10.50** **Case study – Māori values in business** Māori businesses have unique challenges and opportunities to use their values in business. This presentation will look at how specific companies use their values to set themselves apart. • Discussing how the business interacts with Māori values • Examining how Māori values shape their business strategy. **Carl Carrington,** *Chief Executive Officer,* **Aotearoa Fisheries Limited**
11.30 **Freshwater and iwi rights** This presentation will provide a current update on what is happening now in regards to freshwater and the rights to its use. • Implementing the National Policy Statement on Freshwater Management • Understanding the implications of freshwater reform **Frances Wedde,** *Senior Associate – Resource Management,* **Kensington Swan**	**11.30** **Running a business according to Māori values** Maori businesses have an opportunity to make an impact on the global scale using our adherence to Māori values as a point of difference. This presentation will look at how Maori businesses can set ourselves apart from the rest by utilising Māori principles. **Taari Nicholas,** *Director,* **Parininihi Ki Waitotara Incorporation**

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Māori Legal Forum (contd.)	**Māori Business and Strategy Forum** (contd.)
12.10 Lunch break	**12.10** Lunch break
1.10 **Working together for New Zealand: A co-governance case study** The partnership between Greater Wellington Regional Council and iwi has been called a model for other councils to follow. Get an insight into how the creation of the Te Upoko Taiao Committee and emphasis on iwi partnerships has ensured that the council keeps co governance and iwi aspirations as a large part of their decision making. **Rawiri Faulkner,** *Pou Whakarae - Māori Manager,* **Greater Wellington Regional Council**	**1.10** **Leadership and strategy** There is a strong argument that leadership is inherent and not a learnt thing. Therefore having a strategies for leadership is difficult. Yet leadership is required to develop a vision and to implement strategies. **Temuera Hall,** *Executive Director,* **Taupo Moana Group**
1.45 **Table discussion: Balancing lore and law** Delegates are invited to discuss with each other their experiences interacting with differences between customary and common law and how they solved these problems.	**1.45** **Panel discussion: Modern Māori investment – What options are available** • Overcoming challenges and using land well when constraints are placed upon it • Looking at smart and innovative investment models **Guy Royal,** *Partner,* **Tuia Legal** *More panelists to be confirmed*
2.30 Afternoon break & refreshments	**2.30** Afternoon break & refreshments
2.50 **Discussing future directions in the Māori legal environment** The next few years are likely to be exciting in terms of law changes, parliament getting ready for the next election cycle and the end of historical claims settlements. This presentation will look at the future of the Māori legal environment. **Linda Te Aho,** *Associate Professor,* **University of Waikato**	**2.50** **Managing relationships between iwi and commercial companies** Collaboration between iwi and commercial partners can be beneficial for all stakeholders involved. This presentation will examine how manage this relationship successfully. **Toko Kapea,** *Partner,* **Tuia Legal**
3.30 **Non Māori indigenous issues: Learning from other indigenous groups experiences** Diversity and cultural differences have often proved difficult for several indigenous groups. Coming from an academic perspective this presentation will examine the differences and similarities between Māori legal issues and other indigenous issues • Investigating similar issues from other indigenous groups • Examining how non Māori indigenous groups have approached these issues **Dr Carwyn Jones,** *Senior Lecturer,* **Victoria University of Wellington**	**3.30** **Engaging iwi in sustainable natural resource commercialisation** • Exploring iwi interests in the energy sector • Discussing the future of energy with Iwi Māori – An untapped customer demographic and generation of partnerships for the future • Understanding changes in demand and technology creating new opportunity for Māori . **Tina Porou,** *Head of Sustainability, Environment and Communities Generation and Development,* **Contact Energy**
4.10 **Closing remarks from the Chair & end of conference**	**4.10** **Closing remarks from the Chair & end of conference**

Meet your Chairs



Linda Te Aho is of Waikato-Tainui, Ngāti Korokî Kahukura descent and is an Associate Professor in Law at Te Piringa - Faculty of Law, University of Waikato, Hamilton. Linda's research focuses on contemporary issues in Māori Law and Society, with a particular interest in Māori land, freshwater issues, and Treaty of Waitangi settlements. Linda is a member of the Ministerial Advisory Group for the Te Ture Whenua Māori review process, and has been involved in the RMA reforms and the freshwater 'rights and interests' discussions.



Tina Wilson hails from Ngati Tukōtehe, Ngati Raukawa, Muaupoko, Rangitane and Ngai Tahu.In 1995, she started putting her first foot print on Maori Economic Development within the accounting sector specializing in Maori Financial Development, Consultancy and Financial Training services. In 2000 she moved across to Maori Investment Firm Lake Taupo Funds to pick up the CFO role, aiding the evolution into Taupo Moana Group / IWIinvestor – where she served as CEO for the last 3 years before joining NZTE in the Maori Business Customer Team in March 2015.

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"The presentations were all interesting and informative"

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Hon Christopher Finlayson
Minister of Treaty
Waitangi Negotiations

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