

# KangaNews-Westpac New Zealand Sustainable Finance Summit 2025

6 November Westpac Britomart Auckland



9.05am MIHI WHAKATAU AND WELCOME

9.15am OPENING REMARKS

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9.10am KEYNOTE

Transition and the global state of affairs

Hema Sridhar
Deputy Director
Informed Futures

9.35am PANEL DISCUSSION

Global drivers and economic imperatives

· Forces shaping the global economy.

- Market access in a world of volatile relationships.
- · Anti-free trade sentiment: passing fad or new phase?

**Panellists** 

**Jonathan Mason** Company Director

**Felicity Roxburgh** Executive Director

**International Business Forum** 

More to be confirmed

Moderator

Laurence Davison Head of Content KangaNews

10.15am FIRESIDE CHAT

Speaking truth to power

Interviewee

**Jo Hendy** Chief Executive

**Climate Change Commission** 

Interviewer

Joanna Silver

Head of Sustainable Finance

Westpac

10.45am FIRESIDE CHAT

Modern slavery and access to capital

Interviewees

Sum Green

Sustainability Manager

Westpac

Nicola Swan Partner

**Chapman Tripp** 

Interviewer

**Julia de Blaauw**Director Sustainability

Westpac

11.05am BREAK

DOING THINGS DIFFERENTLY – LOCAL INNOVATION AND OPPORTUNITIES

11.35am PANEL DISCUSSION

Innovative sustainable bonds

- Structural innovation and investor comfort; is the SLB back?
- Why labelled securities remain relevant.
- · Building momentum and critical mass.

**Panellists** 

**Sophie Baillie** 

Sustainable Finance Manager

**Auckland Council** 

**Mat Carter** 

Head of Debt Capital Markets and Syndicate

Westpac

**Hannah Paterson** 

Associate Director, Sustainable Finance

Westpac

Moderator

Laurence Davison

Head of Content

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12.10pm FIRESIDE CHAT

Easing the regulatory pathway to sustainable

bond issuance

Interviewee

Samantha Barrass

Chief Executive

**Financial Markets Authority** 

Interviewer

**Luke Ford** Partner

Chapman Tripp

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#### 12.20pm PANEL DISCUSSION

#### Trends in sustainable loan structuring

- · Driving impact beyond the label.
- · Innovation and noteworthy transactions.
- Transition finance.

#### **Panellists**

Sara Irvine

General Manager

**Queenstown Airport** 

**Helen Mahoney** 

Senior Manager, Sustainable Finance

**New Zealand Local Government Funding Agency** 

**Craig Peirce** 

Chief Financial Officer

**Property for Industry** 

#### Moderator

**Kate Archer** 

Director

Westpac

12.55pm **LUNCH** 

#### **CRITICAL ENABLERS**

# 1.45pm KEYNOTE

Nature Limited and the CFO conversation

Izzy Fenwick

Sustainability Champion and Director

**Aotearoa Circle** 

# 2.05pm PANEL DISCUSSION

#### Nature as critical infrastructure

- Natural infrastructure as an enabler.
- · Key natural assets to dial up; government uptake.
- · Adaptation and the role of nature.

#### **Panellists**

Jamie Sinclair Chief Executive

Watercare

Vicki Watson Chief Executive Aotearoa Circle

More to be confirmed

### Moderator

**Belinda van Eyndhoven** Head of Sustainability

Westpac

### 2.40pm PANEL DISCUSSION

# Looking beyond disclosure to shore up access to capital

- From compliance to competitive edge: do ESG and climate disclosures drive business value?
- The price of transparency: costs, benefits and market signals of ESG disclosure.
- Beyond the metrics: integrating ESG into strategy, risk, and capital allocation.

#### **Panellists**

**Olaf Adam** 

Head of ESG

Westpac

**Andy Eakin** 

Chief Financial Officer and Head of Sustainability

**Goodman New Zealand** 

More to be confirmed

#### Moderator

Belinda van Eyndhoven

Head of Sustainability

Westpac

## 3.20pm PANEL DISCUSSION

#### Capex is coming

- Financing the transition.
- Innovation at the edge.
- Policy, markets and momentum.

#### **Panellists**

**Debbie Birch** 

**Company Director** 

**Lachlan Nixon** 

Founder

**Motion Capital** 

More to be confirmed

#### **Moderators**

**Laurence Davison** Head of Content

KangaNews

Joanna Silver

Head of Sustainable Finance

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4.05pm SUMMARY

4.15pm EVENT CLOSE

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