



Purpose

The overriding purpose of the conference is to bring together Iwi, NZ and Pacific industry leaders, investors, business owners, governments and their officials to exchange their knowledge, experience and innovations in relation to fisheries. There will be three central themes to the conference:

- Iwi shared learning on Fisheries – Maori are connected to their Pacific whanau and there are lessons that both indigenous peoples can learn from each other;
- Investment Opportunities in Fisheries – Investors will be exposed to opportunities in the Pacific through fisheries;
- Market Access – Business leaders may see opportunities to partner and market fish from the Pacific.

Conference Programme

Keynote Speakers

The keynote speakers for the conference will be influential leaders in the fisheries industry. Other keynote and panelists will be confirmed in due course. The current keynote speakers are as follows:



Matua Shane Jones, Ambassador Pacific Economic Development

Shane Jones was appointed in May 2014 as NZ's Ambassador for Pacific Economic Development. Mr Jones has a long history of involvement in the fisheries sector and NZ's Maori fisheries settlement.



James Movick, Director General, Forum Fisheries Agency

James Movick was appointed the Director General of FFA in July 2012. Mr Movick heads FFA which strengthens national capacity and regional solidarity so its 17 members can manage, control and develop their tuna fisheries, now and in the future.



Frank Wickham, Chairman, PITIA

Frank Wickham was recently appointed as the Chairman of PITIA. Frank brings to his new role much experience in administration, government, multinational organizations and the South Pacific region. His most recent appointment was as the GM of National Fisheries Developments.



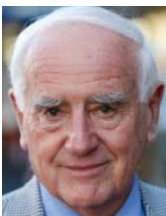
Rangimarie Hunia, CEO, Ngati Whatua & Director, Maori Fisheries Commission

Rangimarie Hunia is a director of Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei Trust, Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei Whai Rawa Limited and a director of the Commercial Board of the Institute of Directors, among other directorships. She played an active role as a member of the Iwi Working Group that was established to facilitate understanding and iwi decision making in response to the 11-year Review of Māori Fisheries Settlement entities.



Ngāhiwi Toamoana, Chairman, Ngati Kahunugnu

Ngāhiwi Tomoana has been the Chair of Ngāti Kahungunu Iwi Incorporated since 1996. Ngāhiwi has a strong background in the seafood industry. He has taken the lead in promoting Māori aquaculture for the wider Māori community and his iwi, and played a significant role through the Treaty Tribes Coalition in the discussions over the development of the fisheries allocation method.



Charles Hufflett, Director, Solander (Pacific) Ltd

The Former President of the Pacific Island Tuna Industry Association and Director of Solander (Pacific) Ltd, Charles Hufflett is a leader in the Fisheries industry. Solander is established as one of the region's leading suppliers of high quality export grade fish to key markets in Japan, USA, Europe and New Zealand.



Alfred Kalontas, Founder & CEO, Alfa Fishing

Alfred Kalontas is the CEO of a community led, sustainable seafood business which harvests and distributes wild caught fish and seafood products for sale to local restaurants and communities in Vanuatu. Alfa Fishing won the 2015, Fish 2.0 programme for the Pacific.



Dion Tuuta, CEO, Te Ohu Kaimoana

Dion is the CEO of Te Ohu Kaimoana. Te Ohu Kaimoana was established to manage the fishery quota allocation to iwi after the fisheries settlement in 1992, which divided an allocated 10 per cent of all fishing quota among all New Zealand iwi.

Venue

The Rydges Hotel will be the venue for the Forum. This will include the venue for the actual conference and the room for the PITIA AGM the following day.



The conference will be held in the Hobson Room in theatre style. The following day, the PITIA AGM will be held in a smaller venue – the conference facility can host a maximum of 200 attendees.

Price

The proposed price for the conference is \$75 per person.

Programme

A draft programme is outlined below:

9:00am to 9.05am	Welcome and Opening Remarks Peter Kiely – Chair, Pacific Cooperation Foundation (PCF)
9.05am to 9.15am	Welcome and Opening Remarks Frank Wickham – Chair, Pacific Islands Industry Association (PITIA)
9:15 am to 9.40am	Keynote speaker: HE Ambassador Matua Shane Jones – Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade
9.40 am to 10.05am	Keynote speaker: James Movick – Director General, Forum Fisheries Association Critical issues in the region – where to from here and the future of fisheries in the Pacific
10.05am to 10.30am	Keynote speaker: Ngahiwi Tomoana – (Ngāti Kahungunu) former chair of Ngāti Kahungunu Iwi Incorporated and Te Ohu Kaimoana Ltd Ngahiwi will speak about the opportunities for developing more formal relationships between the Pacific and Maori fisheries sectors and his experience and interest in developing Asian markets.
10:30 am to 11:00 am	Morning Tea Break

11:00 am to 12:00pm	<p>Pacific Fisheries Sector – Learning from the past – looking to the future. A panel of PITIA member countries present case studies outlining the past successes and future challenges for the Pacific fisheries sector and detail their goals for partnership with New Zealand businesses</p> <p>Speakers: Charles Hufflett; 4 panelists – Melanesia, Polynesia and Micronesia representation.</p>
12.00pm to 1:00 pm	<p>The New Zealand / Iwi Experience A Panel of New Zealand based fisheries leaders talk about the challenges facing the sector currently in New Zealand and talk about future potential opportunities in new product development and the importance of providing high quality product for the worlds markets. The panel will focus on potential partnership opportunities and ideas with the Pacific.</p> <p>Speakers: Rangimarie Hunia; 4 panelists – Iwi, NZ Industry Leaders. Dion Tuuta will be the facilitator.</p>
1:00pm – 2:00pm	<p>Lunch</p>
2.00pm – 3:00pm	<p>Growing and developing our people Access to quality trained people is one of the key challenges for the Fisheries sector in the Pacific. This session brings together organisations that have been successful in developing Labour mobility and skills development programmes and those who have faced the challenges of finding high quality people.</p> <p>Speakers: MFAT representative – update on the Kiribati training scheme. 4 panelists, PIC Govt Rep, PIC Industry Rep. Facilitator to be confirmed.</p>
3:00 pm to 3:30 pm	<p>Afternoon tea break</p>
3:30pm – 4.30pm	<p>Sustainable Fishing Initiatives The role of WWF in Pacific Tuna Fishing and the role certification plays in opening and accessing new markets. The Marine Stewardship Council – is it a practical certification for Pacific Island Countries</p> <p>Speakers: WWF representative to speak on WWF certification. 4 panelists, TBC. Facilitator to be confirmed.</p>
4.30pm – 4.45pm	<p>Forum Closing PCF CEO Mac Leauanae and PITIA Executive Officer John Maefiti, will wrap up the days proceedings and discuss the future partnership opportunities coming from the forum.</p>
4:45pm – 6:00pm	<p>Cocktails and Canapés</p>