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Message from the Chair



Welcome to the July Newsletter

We welcome Wayne back to work as we gear up for another Board meeting in August and conference in September.

The Peak Bodies Alliance recently met with Education NZ to focus on whole-of-Government settings to support international education. The meeting went well and the Peak Bodies Alliance provided feedback to ENZ and we are waiting on further dialogue to move our ideas forward. Once we have more information it will be shared with members.

Many members have also expressed their disappointment at the delays in responses from the TEC Customer Service Centre and sometimes lack of detailed information provided when you ask for support. We have raised this matter with TEC and will continue to monitor progress on this for you.

With the AGM coming up at the Conference please consider putting your name forward or nominate a member for the board, we welcome new nominations. The conference is still open for registrations so please register now if you still haven't done so. The conference is for you as members and we have a full two days of presentations, workshops and a political panel, which considering it is election year, it is an important event to be at.

Regards

Craig
Chair

What's been happening since the last newsletter?

Below are some of the meetings and events attended since the last edition.

- VET Operational Leadership Group meeting
- Meeting with ISANA
- Funding determinations meeting with TEC and MoE
- International Peak bodies Alliance meeting with Education NZ
- Other meetings with Education NZ
- Meeting with Toitu Te Waiora
- Meeting with ConCOVE

Your chance to hear from the political parties before the election.

This year's ITENZ Conference falls about a month before the General Election. It will be opened by the **Minister of Education, Jan Tinetti**, who will address the conference and then take questions.

On Day Two, there will be a political panel comprising **Penny Simmonds**, National Party Education Spokesperson, **Chris Baillie**, ACT, **Chloe Swarbrick**, Greens, and **Shanan Halbert**, Labour (because Ms Tinetti can't attend both days). We have also invited Te Paati Māori.

Don't miss this opportunity to hear what each party has to say on their policies

that will affect the sector and your organisation.



Jan Tinetti



Chloe Swarbrick



Penny Simmonds



Chris Baillie



Shanan Baillie

ITENZ Conference programme available

Featured speakers at the ITENZ Conference have been confirmed and the final juggling of the 15-odd breakout sessions is under way!

[The programme](#) includes:

DAY ONE

- Welcome
- **Hon. Jan Tinetti**, Minister of Education
- Exhibitor turbo pitch
- **Tim Fowler**, CE, TEC
- Morning Tea
- **Grant McPherson**, CE, Education New Zealand
- Parallel breakout sessions x 3
- Lunch

- **Wendy Stockwell**, Nielsen IQ
- Parallel breakout sessions x 3
- **Philip Aldridge**, CE, Waihanga Ara Rau and **Kari Scrimshaw**, CE, Ringa Hora
- **Jane Searle**, CE, Child Matters
- **Networking function and ITENZ Awards presentations**

DAY TWO

- Reflections Day One
- **Grant Klinkum**, CE, NZQA
- Parallel breakout sessions x 3
- Morning Tea
- **Helen Lomax**, Tumuaki/Director Ako Aotearoa
- Parallel breakout sessions x 3
- Lunch
- Political panel with **Penny Simmonds** (Nat), **Chris Baillie** (Act), **Chloe Swarbrick** (Greens), **Shanan Halbert** (Lab), Te Paati Māori TBC
- Parallel breakout sessions x 3
- Snack time
- **Katrina Sutich**, General Manager, Tertiary, MoE
- **Gillian Dudgeon**, DCE, **Esther Calley**, Principal Relationship Manager, **Jae Stowers**, Manager Customer Contact Group, TEC
- **Draw winners**
- Close

For more details and to register, go to the [Conference page of the website](#)

Research into the PTE sector

As mentioned in previous newsletters, ITENZ, with support from ENZ, has commissioned Nielsen to undertake some research into the PTE sector. The purpose is to provide a comprehensive description of what it is, what it does, and

how it is valued, as such a description is currently not available. The project is drawing to an end and the findings will be presented at the [ITENZ Conference](#) in September

Cyber security

TEC, NZQA and MoE are working on a project to raise awareness of the criticality of cyber security across the tertiary sector, Patrick Dowling (Techtorium) is representing ITENZ on the PTE advisory group for this project.

TEC have started providing some guidance on how you can better protect yourself from cyber attacks - [see here](#).

Resources for international students and wellbeing

ISANA has published a Capability Toolkit for developing for support of international learners. Many of the resources, which cover subjects such as wellbeing, critical incidents, innovative leadership, and cultural competency, are freely available [on their website](#).

ITENZ International Education Forum in news

The ITENZ International Education Forum was featured in the Education New Zealand newsletter in June. [You can read the article here](#)



Communities of Practice

Foundation and Youth Guarantee Community of Practice

Three providers attended the last meeting, so it was brief and informal. All the meeting discussion points will all be shifted into the next meeting which is scheduled for **22 August 2023**.

SDR Users Community of Practice

The SDR Users Community of Practice has monthly meetings for administrators working with PTE compliance and reporting. We have an informal monthly meeting with a check in and discussion about any questions or concerns that we have, or interesting developments related to our work (SDR, Wash-ups, Ngā Kete, TEC funding, SMS etc). The next meeting is from **3.00 – 4.00pm on Tuesday 15 August 2023**. Please email jill.tuwhare@spcnm.ac.nz if you'd like to be added to the mailing list.

Māori engagement Rōpu

The Māori engagement Rōpu meets on the 2nd Tuesday of every month from 2.00-3.00pm via zoom.

International Education Forum

The next meeting will be held in **late August**. An email will be sent out to group members with exact date and time shortly.

If you would like more information on any of these groups, please email

wayne.dyer@itenz.co.nz

ITENZ webinars and professional development

Webinar: Wrestling with Artificial Intelligence

30 August

1-2 pm

A calendar invitation will be sent to the main contact in your member organisation.

New members

We are pleased to welcome new ITENZ members, [Hato Hone St John](#). Hato Hone St John offer programmes in first aid, emergency care, ambulance practice and many other related areas.

Ngā mihi nui

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