

A point of vanishing stability

Exploring ideas for a national climate strategy

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Navigating with foresight



THE EVENT

This event brings a variety of speakers together to explore how New Zealand can respond to the challenges of climate change. The end goal of this event is to contribute to a national climate strategy that provides an urgent yet considered response to climate change. The speakers will explore ideas on what a successful strategy might look like through a wellbeing lens. The date was chosen to correspond with the release of New Zealand's first Wellbeing Budget.

SPEAKERS INCLUDE

Chlöe Swarbrick MP

Chlöe cut her political teeth as a 22-year-old, running for election as the Mayor of Auckland in 2016. She is now a Green Party MP, and Aotearoa's youngest MP in 40 years. She brings to Parliament her experience as a law student, journalist, business owner and community project leader.

Dr Anita Wreford

Anita has been lead author on previous IPCC reports and is lead author on an upcoming IPCC special report on climate change, desertification, land degradation, sustainable land management, food security, and greenhouse gas fluxes in terrestrial ecosystems. She is also an author of the upcoming Australasia chapter of the *Sixth Assessment Report* (due in 2021). She currently works in the Agribusiness and Economics Research Unit (AERU) at Lincoln University.

Roger Dennis

Roger is a consultant of foresight, innovation and large-scale change. He supports government bodies and companies focusing on futures thinking and strategy in order to create advantageous change. At the 4th Nobel Laureates Symposium in 2015 he spoke on the link between cities, data and climate change.

Conal Smith

Conal led development of the first international guidelines on the measurement of subjective wellbeing and the OECD's first wellbeing themed country report. He taught the first course in wellbeing economics at Sciences Po in Paris in 2014 and is a member of Kōtātā Insight, a specialist team of economists and social psychologists. In 2018 he was commissioned by Treasury to develop a Living Standards Dashboard in line with the Living Standards Framework, which is shaping the 2019 Wellbeing Budget. His current research areas include the impact of trust on economic growth, assigning values to intangible costs and benefits, and applying wellbeing measures to public policy questions. Conal will share his thoughts on climate change and the 2019 Wellbeing Budget.

JOIN US

DATE	Thursday, 30 May 2019
TIME	5.30 – 7 pm (arrive by 5.15 pm)
LOCATION	National Library of New Zealand, 70 Molesworth Street, Thorndon, Wellington
RSVP	By Monday, 27 May 2019
EMAIL	enquiries@mcguinnessinstitute.org

Dame Dr Claudia Orange

Claudia is an Honorary Research Fellow at the Museum of New Zealand Te Papa Tongarewa. She has also published widely on New Zealand history and race, including the books *The Treaty of Waitangi* (1987) and *An Illustrated History of the Treaty* (2004).

Dr Carwyn Jones

Carwyn is a Senior Lecturer in the Faculty of Law at VUW. His research focuses on the Treaty of Waitangi and indigenous legal traditions. Dr Jones is the author of *New Treaty, New Tradition – Reconciling New Zealand and Māori Law* (2016).

Aaron Maniam

Aaron was the first Head of Singapore's Centre for Strategic Futures (CSF) and organised Singapore's initial 'Foresight Conference' in 2011. More recently, he served as Senior Director at Singapore's Ministry of Trade and Industry, coordinating policy on manufacturing, services, tourism and economic transformation. He is currently working on a PhD on government use of digital technology at Oxford's Blavatnik School of Government.

Wendy McGuinness

Wendy is the founder and Chief Executive of the McGuinness Institute. With a background in futures studies and risk management, she specialises in long-term thinking with a specific focus on building public policy capability in youth.

A point of vanishing stability is the angle at which a boat will no longer stay afloat. The challenge for us all is to ensure that New Zealand does not reach its own point of vanishing stability. The more New Zealand invests in foresight the less likely we will regret in hindsight.