# WENDY MCGUINNESS

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## **PROFILE**

Wendy McGuinness, BCom (Auckland), MBA (Otago) and FCA, is the founder and chief executive of the McGuinness Institute. Originally from King Country, Wendy completed her secondary schooling at Hamilton Girls' High School and Edgewater College. She then went on to study at Manukau Technical Institute (gaining an NZCC), Auckland University (BCom) and Otago University (MBA), as well as completing additional environmental papers at Massey University. She became an Associate Chartered Accountant (ACA) in 1984, and was awarded a Fellowship (FCA) in 2009. Wendy has worked in both the public and private sectors, focusing on risk management, sustainable development, and climate change.

In 2004 she established the McGuinness Institute as a way of contributing to New Zealand's long-term future. She has attended five World Future Society conferences: Washington, D.C. (2008); Chicago (2009); Boston (2010); Vancouver (2011); and San Francisco (2015).

## **EDUCATION & QUALIFICATIONS**

New Zealand Inc

New Zealand Institute of

Otangawai School,	Primary school, years 1–8
King Country	

Hamilton Girls High Boarding Secondary school, years 9–11

School
Edgewater College, Auckland Secondary school, year 12

Manukau Technical Institute, New Zealand Certificate of Commerce (NZCC)
Otara

University of Auckland Bachelor of Commerce (BCom)

University of Otago Masters of Business Administration (MBA)

Massey University Additional papers in environmental ethics and philosophy

New Zealand Institute of Chartered Accountant (ACA)
Chartered Accountants

Institute of Directors in Five-day live-in course, 2006

Leadership New Zealand Forum, 20-day course over 2007

World Future Society, Two-day course on 'Futuring' by Dr. Peter Bishop, Futures Studies, University of Washington DC Houston, 2008

World Future Society, One-day course on 'Wiser Futures: Using Futures Tools to Better Understand and Create the Future' by Dr. Clement Bezold, founder of the Institute for Alternative

Create the Future' by Dr. Clement Bezold, founder of the Institute for Alternative Futures (IAF), 2009

Fellow Chartered Accountant (FCA), 2009

Chartered Accountants

Harvard Business School, Five-day course on 'Driving Corporate Performance' Executive Education Program,

Boston 2010

Real World Risk Institute,

New York City

Nassim Nicholas Taleb, author of *The Black Swan* and *Antifragile*, 2017

London School of

Five-day course for the 'Mini-Certificate in Real World Risk Management' run by

Nassim Nicholas Taleb, author of *The Black Swan* and *Antifragile*, 2017

Five-day intensive course on Global Macroeconomic Challenges, 2018

Economics, London Five-day intensive course on Behavioural Economics and the Modern Economy, 2018

## CURRENT BOARDS AND OTHER ENTERPRISES

Founder and Chief Executive McGuinness Institute

Awarded Fellowship, 2009 New Zealand Institute of Chartered Accountants

Member, 2010 FutureMaker Advisory Panel

Chair, 2010-2014 New Zealand Node of the Millennium Project Chair, 2010-Present New Zealand Chapter of the World Future Society

### **MEMBERSHIP**

World Future Society

New Zealand Institute of Chartered Accountants

New Zealand Institute of Directors New Zealand Risk Management Society

Royal Society of New Zealand Future Thinking Aotearoa

#### PREVIOUS BOARDS AND OTHER ENTERPRISES

Member, 2002 Taskforce on Sustainable Development Reporting

Chair, 2003-2004 New Zealand Institute of Chartered Accountants National Sustainable Development

Reporting Committee

Judge, 2004-2009 Sustainability Awards

Councillor, 2005-2007 New Zealand Institute of Chartered Accountants

New Zealand Institute of Chartered Accountants Sustainability Working Group Wellington Convenor, 2006 Member, 2006-2007 Ministry for Economic Development Buy Kiwi Made Campaign reference group

Co-convenor, 2006-2007 Sustainable Aotearoa New Zealand (SANZ)

Board member, 2006-2016 Board Member of the Katherine Mansfield Birthplace Society

Faculty of Commerce & Administration, Victoria University of Wellington Advisory Group, 2007–2008

Board member, 2008-2011 New Zealand Futures Trust

Board member, 2009 Natural Step

Statistics New Zealand, Measuring Sustainable Development Project Advisory Group, 2009

Convener, 2010 One Integrated Report Briefing

### **WORKSHOPS**

StrategyNZ: Mapping our Future 2011 2012 EmpowerNZ: Drafting a constitution for the 21st century LongTermNZ: Exploring our long-term fiscal position LivingStandardsNZ: Aligning public policy with the way we want to live 2013 LocalNZ: Connecting youth committed to local government 2014 2015 CivicsNZ: The Civics and Media Project TacklingPovertyNZ: Exploring ways to reduce poverty in New Zealand 2016 ForesightNZ: Untangling New Zealand's long-term future Government Department StrategyNZ: Strengthening strategy stewardship in the

public service

TacklingPovertyNZ: Regional workshops

2017 WakaNZ: Navigating with foresight 2019 A Point of Vanishing Stability

KiMuaNZ: Exploring climate futures TCFD: Practical Steps for Implementation