

8:00 – 9:00

Registration

9:00 – 10:00

KEYNOTE 1

Room: RHLT2

Chair: Caralee McLeish

Aoteanomics; A Vision for a Thriving, Just and Sustainable Aotearoa NZ

**Marjan van den Belt** – Ecological Economist

10:00 – 10:30

Morning Tea

10:30 – 12:00

CONCURRENT SESSION 1

10:30 – 12:00

Session 1.1 Auckland Council – Urban Economics

Room: RHLT2

Chair: Shyamal Maharaj

This is the RUB: Does Auckland's urban growth boundary inflate land prices inside it?

**Shane Martin** – Auckland Council

The gravity of density: We've zoned for brownfield growth, but is it happening as expected?

**Shyamal Maharaj** – Auckland Council

Fine in places: Does Auckland's residential zoning match revealed demand?

**Shane Martin** – Auckland Council

Distributional Price Effects of an Affordable Housing Program in Auckland, New Zealand

**Mario Fernandez** – Auckland Council

10:30 – 12:00

Session 1.2 Productivity, Growth, and Equality

Room: RHLT3

Chair: Mohammad Rahman

The shares of wages, profit, and rent in New Zealand: Two decompositions

**Geoff Bertram** – Victoria University of Wellington

**Bill Rosenberg** – NZ Council of Trade Unions

Costs of LDC Graduation: Evidence from Bangladesh

**Mohammad Rahman** – University of Waikato & National University of Singapore

Technological Innovation: Total Factor Productivity Nexus in the Emerging Market and Developing Economies

**Yong Srun Vann** – Lincoln University

Reinterpreting Productivity: New Zealand's Surprising Performance

**Arthur Grimes** – Motu Economic and Public Policy Research

10:30 – 12:00

Session 1.3 Wellbeing, and Income

Room: RHMZ03

Chair: Oscar Parkyn

How can Central Banks promote Well-being in Nations?

**Hamed Shafiee** – New Zealand Productivity Commission

The effects of neighbourhood and workplace income comparisons on subjective wellbeing

**Shakked Noy** – Manukau Institute of Technology

Weather-Related House Damage and Subjective Wellbeing

**Nicholas Gunby** – University of Canterbury

Estimating the distribution of wealth in New Zealand

**Oscar Parkyn** – The Treasury

10:30 – 12:00

Session 1.4 Housing, Growth, and Investment

Room: RH105

Chair: Trung Vu

Social Media and Expectations in Housing Market

**Yiran Mao** – Massey University

Uncompetitive urban land markets

**Chris Parker** – The Treasury

New Zealand firm investment following the Canterbury earthquake sequences 2010–2011

**Quy Ta** – Victoria University of Wellington

State history and political instability: The disadvantage of early state development

**Trung Vu** – University of Otago

12:00 – 12:45

Lunch

12:00 – 12:45

**POSTER SESSION** *Posters listed by presenter last name*

Room: RHMZ54 Foyer

Income Inequality and Mobility in New Zealand: Evidence from Administrative Data

**Nazila Alinaghi** – Victoria University of Wellington

Uniform Pricing and Store Choice

**Cameron Birchall** – Ku Leuven

Who is the most sought-after economist? Ranking economists using Google Trends

**Tom Coupé** – University of Canterbury

Price of public health measures to counter COVID-19 versus economic recovery – expectation versus outcome

**Gail Duncan**

Lockdown and the slight postponement of death in New Zealand

**John Gibson** – University of Waikato

Life Expectancy Reductions from New Zealand's Unbalanced Covid Response

**John Gibson** – University of Waikato

Impact of droughts on farm debts: Empirical evidence from New Zealand

**Shabana Kamal** – Victoria University of Wellington

Productive, Sustainable and Inclusive Trade Channels Framework

**Phil Mellor** – Ministry of Foreign Affairs & Trade

Understanding trade exposure and labour market: Evidence from Vietnam's household data

**Linh Pham** – Victoria University of Wellington

The distributional characteristics of tradeable firms in New Zealand

**Samuel Verevis** – Ministry of Foreign Affairs & Trade

The impact of COVID-19 containment measures on changes in electricity demand

**Le Wen** – The University of Auckland

12:45 – 2:15

**CONCURRENT SESSION 2**

12:45 – 2:15

**Session 2.1** Māori Economics

Room: RHLT2  
Chair: Matthew Roskruge

Whai Rawa: A tikanga Māori grounded economy

**Shaun Awatere** – Manaaki Whenua Landcare Research

The cost of health inequities between Maori and non-Maori adults

**Braden Te Ao** – The University of Auckland

Māori social capital and wellbeing

**Matthew Roskruge** – Massey University

Discussion session: Vision Maturanga in economics research

12:45 – 2:15

**Session 2.2** Household Economics

Room: RHLT3  
Chair: Isabelle Sin

Portfolio Choice with Intra: Household Bargaining and Gender Differences in Preferences

**Amelia Guhathakurta** – University of Otago

Impacts on mothers' labour market attachment following the 2018 Families Package: Evidence from New Zealand

**Summer Staninski** – Auckland University of Technology

The Drivers of Mothers' Parental Leave Decisions: Evidence from the GUINZ longitudinal survey

**Isabelle Sin** – Motu Economic and Public Policy Research

Do Couples Bunch More? Evidence from Partnered and Single Taxpayers

**Norman Gemmell** – Victoria University of Wellington

12:45 – 2:15

**Session 2.3** Gender, Family, and Retirement

Room: RHMZ03  
Chair: Shannon Minehan

Behavioural effects of pension eligibility in New Zealand

**Zoe Ye** – Auckland University of Technology

The Face of Success

**Shannon Minehan** – Motu Economic and Public Policy Research

Global Value Chains and Female Employment: The Evidence from Vietnam

**Linh Pham** – Victoria University of Wellington

12:45 – 2:15

**Session 2.4** Finance

Room: RH105  
Chair: Thi Dinh

The impact of direct financial market participation on retirement income sufficiency in Australia

**Xiaobo (Sandra) Xu** – Massey University

Ownership concentration, Financial reporting quality and Investment efficiency: Empirical evidence from a transitional economy

**Thi Ha Thu Dinh** – Lincoln University

To what extent network effect moderate the relationship between Twitter propagated news and investors' perception

**Noushad Khan Feroz** – University of Waikato

2:15 – 2:45

Afternoon Tea

2:45 – 4:15

CONCURRENT SESSION 3

2:45 – 4:15

Session 3.1 Treasury – Microsimulation Modelling

Room: RHLT2  
Chair: Meghan Stephens

Crossover of different child poverty measures

**Meghan Stephens** – *The Treasury*

Sensitivity of child poverty projections to economic forecasts

**Yvonne Wang** – *The Treasury*

Using administrative data to better model receipt of transfers

**Corey Davis** – *The Treasury*

Assessing Household Economic Survey income reports against administrative records

**Tod Wright** – *The Treasury*

Using payday filing data to track counts of filled jobs in NZ

**Robert Templeton** – *The Treasury*

2:45 – 4:15

Session 3.2 Housing

Room: RHLT3  
Chair: Graham Squires

Monitoring Enjoyment of the Rights to Housing and Health in Aotearoa New Zealand

**Paddy Baylis** – *Motu Economic and Public Policy Research*

Monitoring Enjoyment of the Rights to Housing and Health in Aotearoa New Zealand

**Livvy Mitchell** – *Motu Economic and Public Policy Research*

Public Housing in Place: Announcement Effects of New Builds in More and Less Expensive Neighborhoods

**Syed Hasan** – *Massey University*

Housing Price, Financial Development, Energy Intensity, FDI inflows: Global Evidence

**Hai Hong Trinh** – *Massey University*

2:45 – 4:15

Session 3.3 Environment, and Food Security

Room: RHMZ03  
Chair: Dennis Wesselbaum

The COVID-19 pandemic and firm-financing: Does environmental performance really matter?

**Vijay Kumar** – *University of Waikato*

No pains, no gains? Mining pollution and morbidity in Mongolia

**Odmaa Narantungalag** – *Massey University*

Allocating the commons: Commercial lobbying in New Zealand's largest public fishery

**Cameron Birchall** – *KU Leuven*

A Food Insecurity Kuznets Curve?

**Dennis Wesselbaum** – *University of Otago*

2:45 – 4:15

Session 3.4 Education, and Environment

Room: RH105  
Chair: Stephen Hickson

The contributions of exit, entry and quality transformation of researchers to growth and convergence of the research quality of universities and disciplines

**Bob Buckle**

The Relationship between the Research Achievements of Academics and Student Labour Market Outcomes

**Swati Khurana** – *University of Canterbury*

The impact of ocean warming on commercial fisheries in New Zealand

**Hanny John Mediodia** – *Victoria University of Wellington*

Closed or open book for invigilated tests. Does it make a difference?

**Stephen Hickson** – *University of Canterbury*

4:15 – 5:45

CONCURRENT SESSION 4

4:15 – 5:45

Session 4.1 Commerce Commission: Market outcomes in the retail fuel and electricity markets

Room: RHLT2  
Chair: John Small

Valuing the harm to consumers in electricity markets  
**Ben Harris & Imogen Turner** – Commerce Commission

Empirical analysis on the retail fuel market study  
**John Small** – Commerce Commission

Schumpeterian endogenous growth and dynamic capabilities: An under-researched nexus?  
**Tim Ng** – Victoria University of Wellington

International Trade, Upstream Market Power, and Endogenous Mode of Downstream Competition  
**Onur Koska** – University of Canterbury

4:15 – 5:45

Session 4.2 MoT and Waka Kotahi: New evidence and methods for transport appraisal

Room: RHLT3  
Chair: Mingyue Sheng

Incorporating dynamic clustering impacts in transport appraisal  
**Kevin Counsell** – NERA Economic Consulting

An update on the New Zealand Domestic Transport Costs and Charges (DTCC) study  
**Geoff Parr** – Ministry of Transport

Monetising the non-monetised in transport  
**Mehrnaz Rohani** – Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency

Investigating the Importance of Public Charging Infrastructure and Early Adoption Effects on Electric Vehicle Uptake  
**Mingyue Sheng** – The University of Auckland

4:15 – 5:45

Session 4.3 Health

Room: RHMZ03  
Chair: Tom Coupé

New Zealand District Health Board's efficiency in the presence of stochastic volatility and spatial dependence  
**Sean Kimpton** – Auckland University of Technology

Longer Term Social Impacts of Mild Traumatic Brain Injury  
**Sandra McCallum** – Auckland University of Technology

Drivers of Nutrition Transition in Thailand: An Analysis Using Night-time Lights  
**Chutarat Noosuwan** – Lincoln University

Google Doodles and COVID 19  
**Tom Coupé** – University of Canterbury

4:15 – 5:45

Session 4.4 Gambling, Tax, and Wages

Room: RH105  
Chair: Mark Holmes

The Effect of Monetary Policy on the New Zealand Dollar: A Bayesian SVAR Approach  
**Hien Nguyen** – Victoria University of Wellington

Corporate tax avoidance: Evidence from Vietnamese firms  
**Oanh Kieu Ha** – Lincoln University

Electronic Gambling Machines in NZ: A Local Government Policy Analysis  
**Alexandra Turcu** – Auckland University of Technology

The wage curve within and across regions: New insights from US states  
**Mark Holmes** – University of Waikato

5:45 – 7:15

Drinks & Canapés (Awards Presentations)

8:00 – 9:00

**Registration**

9:00 – 10:00

**KEYNOTE 2**

**Room:** RHLT2  
**Chair:** Gael Price

A Journey with the Catallactists  
**John Creedy** – Victoria University of Wellington

10:00 – 10:30

**Morning Tea**

10:30 – 12:00

**CONCURRENT SESSION 5**

10:30 – 12:00

**Session 5.1** RBNZ: Labour markets and monetary policy

**Room:** RHLT2  
**Chair:** Gael Price

Earnings Dynamics and the Distributional Effects of Monetary Policy in New Zealand  
**Karsten Chipeniuk** – Reserve Bank of New Zealand

Welfare gains in a small open economy with a dual mandate for monetary policy  
**Reuben Punnoose Jacob** – Reserve Bank of New Zealand

Unconventional monetary policy surprises for New Zealand  
**Jinny Leong** – Reserve Bank of New Zealand

The effect of monetary policy on unemployment dynamics: Evidence from different ethnicities  
**Meltem Chadwick** – Reserve Bank of New Zealand

10:30 – 12:00

**Session 5.2** Tax, and Monetary Policy

**Room:** RHLT3  
**Chair:** Philip Vermeulen

Rebate Timing and Charitable Giving  
**Stephen Knowles** – University of Otago

Effective marginal tax rates, budget constraints and the Treasury's Income Explorer Tool  
**Michael Eglinton** – The Treasury

The Mundellian Trilemma: An Optimal Monetary Policy Perspective  
**Alfred Guender** – University of Canterbury

Monetary policy, investment, and firm heterogeneity  
**Philip Vermeulen** – Auckland University of Technology

10:30 – 12:00

**Session 5.3** Productivity Commission: Productivity matters

**Room:** RHMZ03  
**Chair:** Geoff Lewis

Income protection in the New Zealand tax-transfer system  
**Penny Mok** – New Zealand Productivity Commission

Benchmarking New Zealand's frontier firms  
**Gail Pacheco** – New Zealand Productivity Commission

New Zealand firms: Reaching for the frontier  
**Geoff Lewis** – New Zealand Productivity Commission

10:30 – 12:00

**Session 5.4** Public goods, governance, and Labour

**Room:** RHMZ01  
**Chair:** Steven Poelhekke

The Future of Work in New Zealand: An empirical examination  
**Nic Watson** – Motu Economic and Public Policy Research

Optional choices for dam capacity under externality and uncertainty  
**Kim Hang Pham Do** – Massey University

Cost-(in)effective public good provision: An experimental exploration  
**Ronald Peeters** – University of Otago

Can you buy your way out of uncertainty? Political uncertainty, investment and 'donations'  
**Steven Poelhekke** – The University of Auckland & CEPR

12:00 – 1:30

CONCURRENT SESSION 6

12:00 – 1:30

Session 6.1 Crime

Room: RHLT2  
Chair: Olivia Wills

The Role of Ethnicity in Criminal Behavior – Download Full Paper  
**Alexander Plum** – NZWRI, Auckland University of Technology

Leaving the past behind: Effect of Clean Slate Regulation on Employment and Earnings  
**Kabir Dasgupta** – NZWRI, Auckland University of Technology

Intertemporal relationships between criminality and victimhood: Evidence from population-level based data  
**Christopher Erwin** – Auckland University of Technology

Increasing fine payments: A behavioural science approach  
**Olivia Wills** – Ministry of Justice

12:00 – 1:30

Session 6.2 MBE and Stats NZ: Labour markets in motion

Room: RHLT3  
Chair: Daniel Baigent

Population impact of NZ's border restrictions  
**Pubudu Senanayake** – Statistics NZ

Who has come home, and who hasn't left?  
**Amapola Generosa** – Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment

Labour markets in motion Presentation 3: Queenstown case study  
**Daniel Baigent** – Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment

12:00 – 1:30

Session 6.3 Markets, Prices, and Data

Room: RHMZ03  
Chair: Frances Krsinich

Disentangling the Effects of Oil Market Shocks  
**Yifei Lyu** – The Treasury

Are there more “less than zero”? Disaggregated price trends in New Zealand, 1990 – 2020  
**Aynaz Nahavandi** – Reserve Bank of New Zealand

Bigger, better, faster. Further Progress in Using Non-Traditional Data to Measure Price Inflation  
**Matthew Stansfield** – Stats NZ

Synthetic data from safe tables  
**Frances Krsinich** – Independent Researcher

12:00 – 1:30

Session 6.4 Culture, Environment, and Firm Behaviour

Room: RHMZ01  
Chair: Corey Allan

Valuing Kapa Haka – the Maori Performing Arts – using Travel Cost Models  
**Richard Meade** – Cognitus Economic Insight

Can Social Trust Promote Corporate R&D Expenditure? Evidence from China  
**Ji (George) Wu** – Massey University

Economic and land use impacts of net zero-emission target in New Zealand  
**Yue (Bonnie) Wang** – Scion

Do workers share in firm success? Pass-through estimates for New Zealand  
**Corey Allan** – Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment

1:30 – 2:30

Lunch / Conference Close

2:00 – 2:45

NZAE AGM Room: RHMZ01