



The ACENZ Advisor

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Upcoming Opportunities

World Water Day = Taps Off Day

We are supporting Taps off Day on World Water Day 22 March 2017. Taps Off Day is a National campaign aiming to gain thought and awareness around water infrastructure and how lucky we are in New Zealand to have immediate access to clean and reliable water sources. We all know the importance of water so let's support the initiative and see if we can make a real day of it!

Participate and share what you are going to do, or have done, on social media #tapsoffday.

We want the 4.5 Million people of New Zealand to be thinking about water, not just the water industry! Visit <https://www.oxfam.org.nz/what-you-can-do/events/taps-day> to sign up.

The promotion of this event has been kindly sponsored by: GHD; MWH Stantec; Cuesko; Lautrec; Asmuss Plastics; John Holland, and Ecoflow.

Women in Engineering Conference - Win complimentary registration!

This summit will showcase perspectives on the optimal leadership skill set required for peak performance and career advancement in an engineering environment.

You'll hear inspirational stories from successful engineering leaders, how to overcome obstacles to becoming a leader, develop your personal leadership

style to create influence, and how to create an action plan to set your goals in motion. Hear from confirmed speakers such as:

- Dr Michelle Dickinson MNZM (Nanogirl)
- Dr Mary P Quin, former Chief Executive of Callaghan Innovation
- Sarah Sinclair, Chief Engineer at AC
- Professor Rosalind Archer, Head of Engineering Science at University of Auckland
- Gillian Blythe, Strategy and Performance Manager for Meridian Energy
- Julie Sim, Strengths Based Development Coach

See the full list of confirmed speakers here.

The conference will be held from March 15-16, 2017, at the Grand Millennium Auckland, offering both pre and post conference workshop options.

ACENZ Members get a special 10% discount off the standard registration rate. Register and find more information online at www.liquidlearning.com, use Booking Code - Q1 or phone by (09) 927 1500.

ACENZ has a one-day summit pass to give away to the Women in Engineering Leadership Summit!

To enter, simply email us at hmorchat@acenz.org.nz by Friday, March 10th. One winner at random will be selected to receive the complimentary one-day pass!



HELP US WAVE GOODBYE TO WATER POVERTY BY GOING A DAY WITHOUT TURNING ON YOUR TAPS.

22 MARCH IS TAPS OFF DAY.

REGISTER FOR TAPS OFF DAY AND FIND OUT MORE INFORMATION AT WWW.TAPSOFF.ORG.NZ





2017 President's Roadshow Dates

Mark your calendars and set your alerts for the 2017 President's Roadshow! See where our new President, Mike Kerr and ACENZ CEO, Kieran Shaw will be visiting next. As invitations approach, online links to register will become available. [View all the dates, prices and times online at the ACENZ website here.](#)

March

- Blenheim lunch - March 29th
- Nelson dinner - March 29th

May

- Dunedin lunch - May 16th
- Invercargill dinner - May 16th
- Queenstown lunch - May 17th
- Christchurch breakfast - May 18th
- Hamilton lunch - May 23rd
- Tauranga dinner - May 23rd
- North Shore lunch - May 24th
- Auckland CBD breakfast - May 25th
- New Plymouth dinner - May 30th
- Palmerston North lunch - May 31st

June

- Napier breakfast - June 1st

July

- Wellington breakfast - July 25th

We want your feedback!

Our Regional Chairs (formerly known as the Area Representatives) need your help! They are your local voice! ACENZ relies on their feedback to the Board to keep on top of any emerging issues, concerns, or upcoming activities that could bring more value to ACENZ Members.

So....if you have something to say....let us know! Contact your local Regional Chair to let them (and ACENZ) know what's going on in your area. We are here to help our members. [Find the full list of RCs, and their contact information online here.](#)



Better Business Workshop - 15th March

Need some practical tips and tricks to be more efficient and communicate better?

What about how to build a brand that returns a profitable business?

ACENZ is providing a one day workshop on just that!

The workshop will be a boutique event, capped at only 15 places, so register your interest quickly. Speakers will include famed organisational specialist Debbie Mayo-Smith, focusing on "Smarter. Faster. Cheaper. Better" full of practical how-to tips showing you how to be more efficient; effective and communicate better.

You'll also hear from Marketing guru, Rosina Webb of Energise & Associates. Rosina will focus on "How to build and position a brand that returns profitable business." We often don't think of brands as being our secret weapon, however with more and more companies & consultancies delivering the same services and products, your brand is often what sets you apart from your competitors. In this workshop, you'll discover and identify your own unique brand and how to apply this 'brand power' so you become the firm that everyone wants to hire!

[Register and pay online at EventFinda \(hyperlink here\)](#) or email us directly to be invoiced. The cost is \$350 + GST but includes morning and afternoon teas plus lunch.

Calling all Young Professionals!

ACENZ is still looking for some Young Professional volunteers to join the YP Groups in Auckland and Christchurch. These group will be tasked with providing ACENZ valuable insight and feedback as to what you want. It's that simple...tell us what you want from ACENZ and how we can both engage and serve you better. The goal of the ACENZ group is to provide more business focused support (led by the ideas and

initiatives that YOU the YP Group volunteers give to ACENZ). Our aim is to support the next generation of leaders and to help you develop professionally. If you are interested in learning more or in joining the Auckland or Christchurch groups, please email Holly Morchat Stanko at hmorchat@acenz.org.nz.

Wellington Young Professionals

Our amazing team of Wellington Young Professionals, led by Chair Catherine Morar of Aurecon, along with fellow committee members Nicki Vance of Dunning Thornton, Katie Muldrew of Beca, and Mark Stanko of Opus, produced a very successful event on February 21st!

We welcomed close to 100 participants at the Leadership Panel and Networking Event, held at Leroy's Bar on Plimmer Steps. All pictures from the event can be viewed online through our ACENZ [Facebook](#) or [Flickr](#) pages. We look forward to hosting Wellingtonians at a future YP event in the near future!



ACENZ Conference 2017

Mark your calendars for the ACENZ Annual Conference, this year to be held at Wairakei Resort in Taupo from 10-12 August 2017.

Something new to look forward to this year is the opportunity to apply for one of five conference scholarships. The scholarship covers one Full Delegate registration to attend (does not cover cost of travel or accommodation) conference and is open to any staff employed by an ACENZ member firm. We will offer



one dedicated scholarship for a Young Professional, one for an SME firm, and one for a new member (for firms who were approved for membership in the last 2 years).

The other two scholarships will be awarded at the discretion of the Board. The application and question form will be available in the coming months. More information and registration rates will be posted online no later than the end of April.

Other Industry Conferences



IPWEA Conference - June 22-24

The 2017 IPWEA NZ conference theme is 'Blurring the Lines – Integrating our Efforts'. This builds on past conference themes around responding to change. The 2017 theme throws a spotlight on how the industry can benefit from an integrated approach to the changes and challenges we are expecting.

Find more information on the rates and programme online at <http://ipwea2017.co.nz/>

NZSEE Conference - April 27-29

The combined NZSEE Annual Technical Conference and 15th World Conference on Seismic Isolation will be hosted in Wellington from April 27-29. The conference theme, "the next generation of low damage and resilient structures", reflects current developments, research and implementation in New

Zealand following the severely damaging earthquakes in Christchurch, and international trends for seeking improved earthquake performance from structures.



The theme fits well with the goal of ASSISi in fostering development and acceptance of seismic protection solutions and techniques. The conference will showcase current developments in design practice in New Zealand and internationally for achieving greater resilience in earthquake design of structures and infrastructure. Specific conference sessions will focus on ASSISi key topics of seismic isolation, energy dissipation and vibration control, including invited presentations from ASSISi leaders from around the world.

Find more information on the programme and register online here.

if you haven't...go ahead an "like" us on Facebook and follow us on LinkedIn.

Prefab Co-Lab

CoLab is the pivotal event to highlight innovative construction methods, focusing on offsite/prefab projects brought to life by international experts, localoes, site visits, fun interactive and social events. Zealand. Join PrefabNZ at the 2017 CoLab in Auckland and social events. (21-22 March).oes, site visits, fun interactive. The increasing use of prefabricated technology is changing the face of design and construction in New Zealand. The increasing use of prefabricated technology is changing the face of design and construction in New Zealand. Join PrefabNZ at the 2017 CoLab in Auckland (21-22 March).



As ACENZ is a member of CiC, they're offering a 10% discount on the ticket price to CiC Member organisations. \$580 rather than \$645. Use the promo

code to unlock the ticket. CICMEMBER10 and register online here.

Valuing Sustainability Workshop

Three workshops will be held in Wellington, Auckland, and Christchurch on various dates. These one-day workshops will provide a broad understanding of the many frameworks and tools available which assist in

the integration of sustainability into built environment projects.

To register for these events, click on the relevant hyperlinks below:

- Auckland - March 28th**
- Wellington - April 4th**
- Christchurch - April 11th**

Construction Industry Council (CiC) Design Guidelines Update



Late last year, 2016, the Construction Industry Council (which ACENZ is a part of) completed the review and update of the design guidelines document. What formerly was a booklet (see image left) has been updated into several hyperlinked

templates you can use for various works. So update your records with the NEW guidelines. The ACENZ website will be updated to contain the new links as well. <http://nzcic.co.nz/resources/guidelines/>

Interesting Links

We try to keep a few interesting articles, links, or other resources going through our ACENZ Facebook and LinkedIn pages. If you missed one of our posts, check out the links here:

Modern Marvels: featuring the building of the supersized Panama Canal.

7 Insanely powerful lessons my mentor taught me

Women can excel at being their authentic selves

How to design for Millenials, according to Ikea

The importance of succession planning and developing your young leaders