



Programme

TMBC Biosecurity Excellence Symposium 2024

Connect, Collaborate and Co-create:
Working as one to protect our future.

Thursday, 15 August 2024
Mercury Baypark
8:30am - 4:15pm

Connect, Collaborate, Co-create.

Join us for an informative and interactive event for everyone who is passionate about biosecurity and protecting what we love about our region.

We'll be joined by committed biosecurity doers and thinkers who are sparking action through new ways of working, technology and collaboration across the country.

We are eager to connect, collaborate and co-create a future of biosecurity excellence.

The symposium is an invaluable platform for making connections across the biosecurity network. It offers a unique opportunity to engage in vibrant discussion, share insights and explore potential collaboration.

Please note the programme may be subject to change.

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8:00am	Arrival & Registration
8:30am - 9:30am	Mihi Whakatau & karakia. Mana whenua o Ngā Pōtiki a Tamapahore
	Welcome. Facilitator: Pip Carter
	Tauranga Moana Biosecurity Capital - Biosecurity is all our Responsibility Presenters: Carlton Bidois (<i>Ngāi te Rangī, Ngāti Ranginui</i>) and Beccy Ganley, <i>Co-Chairs: TMBC</i>
9:30am - 10:05am	Connect, Collaborate, Co-create
	Working as one to protect our future Presenter: Laurissa Cooney, <i>Co-Chair. Aotearoa Circle, Director. Air New Zealand, Director. Goodman Property Ltd, former Chair. Bay of Plenty Tourism (Te Atihaunui a Pāpārangī)</i>
	Q&A
10:05am - 10:35am	Morning tea
10:35am - 11:40am	Session one: Protecting what we love - showcasing biosecurity initiatives and involvement
	PIPS (People, Plant, Schools) - partnering with local tamariki to deliver the TMBC Sentinel Garden programme Presenters: Clare Rodgers, Nina Henderson and tamariki: <i>PIPS, Winner of the 2023 Western Bay Community Sustainable Future Award</i>
	Wai Kōkopu - the community-led programme to replenish and revitalise the health of the Waihi Estuary Presenters: John Burke, <i>Restoration Coach: Wai Kōkopu</i>
	Timberlands and Wingspan - collaborating to protect endangered species in Kaingaroa Presenter: Colin Maunder, <i>General Manager. Sustainability, Timberlands</i>

	<p>Proud to protect – Myrtle Rust Surveillance & Monitoring Programme Presenters: Matire Duncan (<i>Ngā Pōtiki</i>), TMBC Māori Caucus and Riki Nelson (<i>Ngati te Wai, Ngati Kahu</i>), TMBC Māori Caucus, Kauri Kaimai</p>
	<p>Picking our battles – managing wild kiwifruit to protect our industry and environment Facilitator: Andrew McConnell, <i>National Operations & Compliance Officer. Kiwifruit Vine Health</i></p>
	<p>Panel discussion and Q&A</p>
11:40am – 1:15pm	<p>Session two: Vision for the future</p>
	<p>What we do now matters – building connections and leading change Presenter and Facilitator: Doug Leeder, <i>Chair. Bay of Plenty Regional Council</i></p>
	<p>Leading with impact for better biosecurity – looking back, acting now, looking forward Presenter: Pete Thomson, <i>Chief Biosecurity Officer. Biosecurity New Zealand</i></p>
	<p>Kāwai Kaimai Presenter: Stevee Raureti (<i>Tura te Ngakau</i>)</p>
	<p>Enabling greater biodiversity outcomes through the power of technology Presenter: Cameron Baker (<i>Te Rarawa, Tūhoe, Ngāti Kahungunu</i>), <i>CEO and Founder. Enviroco</i></p>
	<p>Detecting the last predator Presenter: Katerina Taskova, <i>Senior Lecturer. School of Computer Science, University of Auckland, affiliated with the Machine Learning Group and Wicker Lab</i></p>
	<p>Panel discussion and Q&A</p>
1:15pm – 2:15pm	<p>Lunch</p>
2:15pm – 2:40pm	<p>Biosecurity Bonanza Kahoot Quiz Facilitator: Lisa Gibbison, <i>Principal Advisor Communications: Kiwifruit Vine Health</i></p>

2:40pm – 4:00pm	Session three: The importance of taking a collaborative approach
	<p>Building bridges and breaking down silos – getting on board with One Biosecurity Presenter and Session Facilitator: Distinguished Professor Philip Hulme, <i>Director: Centre of Excellence – Centre for One Biosecurity Research, Analysis and Synthesis</i></p> <p>Operationalising eDNA technologies for the Biosecurity applications in Australia Presenter: Professor Dianne Gleeson, <i>Depture Director. ARC Plant Biosecurity Training Centre, Director. National eDNA Reference Centre, Research Leader. EcoDNA group, Faculty of Science and Technology, University of Canberra</i></p> <p>CAMS – EcoNet Conservation Activity Management System for Aotearoa New Zealand Presenter: Richard Hursthouse, <i>Chair: EcoNet Charitable Trust, New Zealand Biosecurity Awards Innovation Winner 2024, Mondiale GVL Innovation Winner</i></p> <p>Collaborative approaches in marine biosecurity – enhancing intersectoral, cross-regional and international efforts Presenter: Anastasija Zaiko, <i>Co-founder: eDNA Analyses and Research, Sequen</i></p> <p>Panel discussion and Q&A</p>
4:00pm – 4:10pm	Closing comments
	Stuart Anderson, <i>Deputy Director-General, Biosecurity New Zealand</i>
4:10pm – 4:15pm	Closing karakia
	Carlton Bidois (<i>Ngāi te Rangī, Ngāti Ranginui</i>), <i>Co-Chair. TMBC</i>