

Get ready to speak at NZIEC 2022

Kia ora

Education New Zealand Manapou ki te Ao is pleased to issue a call for speakers for the New Zealand International Education Conference (NZIEC) 2022.

You can submit your application now through our Speaker Portal. Please consider joining us at NZIEC to discuss the key issues facing our sector as we work *Towards Recovery*.

Ngā mihi nui

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P.S. Please also consider encouraging a colleague to put their name forward to speak.

About NZIEC 2022

NZIEC is the annual conference for New Zealand's international education industry. NZIEC 2022 will be held virtually from Monday 15 to Friday 19 August. It will focus on the theme of *Towards Recovery: Reflect, Reconnect and Renew*.

Audience

The primary audience for NZIEC is New Zealand's international education providers. Providers include:

- Schools (from primary to secondary)
- Institutes of technology and polytechnics (Te Pūkenga)
- Universities
- English language schools
- Private training establishments
- Education technology companies
- Education publishers.

While representatives from many other organisations and sectors attend NZIEC, we are particularly interested in speakers who can connect with, and provide advice and tips to, our primary audience.

Call for speakers

We welcome submissions to speak at NZIEC from New Zealand and around the world. Submissions are welcome on any topic relating to international education, but those relating to our theme and subthemes will be prioritised.

Speak to the point

As we're going virtual this year, we encourage all speakers to 'get to the point'. With the exception of keynote, panel discussion and workshop sessions, all other sessions this year will subscribe to the TED rule: that is, talks should not exceed 18 minutes. Keep this time limit in mind when you brainstorm your presentation. Note that presentations can be recorded prior to the conference. Note also that any Q&A with the audience will be undertaken separately and not included within the above time limit.

Theme: Towards Recovery: Reflect, Reconnect, Renew

Covid-19 has had a huge impact on the international education sector. In our first conference since 2019, we will look back at the past two years, and look forward to what we have to offer to the world.

NZIEC 2022 will focus on the sector's recovery journey and, as the theme suggests, encourage us to: Reflect, Reconnect and Renew.

- **Reflect** – on what has been a crazy two years. An opportunity for us to share the tough stories, what we learned, how we pivoted, the good stuff we did.
- **Reconnect** – with each other and with the wider world. Be stimulated by international speakers in offshore markets and hear the latest in trends, shifts and dynamics.
- **Renew** – building back better for a stronger future. Gain inspiration and embrace innovation so we continue to ThinkNew.

By Reflecting, Reconnecting and Renewing, NZIEC 2022 will help our sector build Towards Recovery.

Sub-themes

This year we seek speakers who can help us advance our sector's journey Towards Recovery. We particularly seek speakers who can connect with the

three sub-themes of Reflect, Reconnect and Renew (note that the conference will focus on the Reconnect and Renew sub-themes).

Here are some questions to prompt your thoughts:

Reflect

- Our sector has been significantly impacted by the Covid-19 pandemic. What lessons can we take away from the past two years?
- As we pivoted (time and again!), what good practices arose across our sector? How can we build on these successes – and avoid going back to past practice?
- The past two years highlighted the importance of wellbeing for our students and for ourselves. How can we continue to support our individual and collective wellbeing as we move into the next phase of the industry's development?

Reconnect

- Following two years of Covid-19, what are international learners, partners and markets now seeking?
- What can we learn from our international partners and competitors?
- How can we turbo-charge connections with our international partners?
- Social licence: How can we raise community awareness of international education – and how can we build better community support?
- Collaboration: Covid-19 has encouraged us to forge new relationships onshore. How can we build on these newfound connections for future success?

Renew

- What are learners of the future seeking?
- How can we provide an even better student experience?
- We have a rare opportunity in time to reimagine our offering to the world. How can we best take advantage of this opportunity – how can we build back better?
- What new products and services could truly help Aotearoa New Zealand stand out in a crowded global marketplace?
- Sustainability: How can we reduce the environmental impact of international education – and how can international education contribute to sustainability education?

Honouring Te Tiriti

ENZ is committed to giving effect to Te Tiriti o Waitangi. This year's conference will see the launch of a te reo Māori ingoa (Māori name) to stand alongside the established NZIEC brand. We will also weave relevant content throughout the conference programme.

In addition to the areas traversed above, we seek speakers who can help us discuss the following:

- How can Aotearoa New Zealand's international education sector give best effect to Te Tiriti o Waitangi?
- How can Aotearoa New Zealand's international education offering reflect Te Ao Māori in a genuine and authentic way?
- How can we ensure that Māori have equal access to the benefits of international education?
- How are we connecting with iwi Māori to partner on international education?
- How can we foster indigenous-to-indigenous relationships in international education internationally?

How to submit

Submit a proposal through our [Speaker Portal](#).

Submissions close on Sunday 3 July.

You will be asked to provide the following information to support your submission:

- Your name, organisation, biography and contact details
- A headshot photo that will be used throughout the event if your submission is successful
- Your session title, theme, and proposal of up to 300 words. The proposal will need to succinctly outline the focus of your session and what participants will learn
- A 60 second video of yourself telling us why we should select your proposal.

Further information

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to email us at nziec@enz.govt.nz.