SSANSE Pop-Up Think Tank presents:
Kia mau, ki ika Te Whaitua:
Hui on Small states and the changing global order: NZ faces the future

Date: June 3-4, 2017,
Venue: First floor, John Britten Building, 69 Creyke Rd, University of Canterbury, Christchurch, New Zealand

Programme

Saturday 3 June 2017
8.15 am-8.40 am
Registration
Foyer: John Britten Building, 69 Creyke Rd, University of Canterbury, Christchurch, New Zealand

8.40 am-9 am
Mihi whakatau
Mihi: UC Chancellor John Wood
Whakatau: Tā Tipene O'Regan, Ngāi Tahu
Waiata by UC students and staff: Manu tiria

Manu tiria, manu tiria, manu werohia
Ki te poho o Te Rāka
Ka tau Rērere
Ka tau mai i Te Ruhi
E tau e koia
Koia, koia
Ko tārarauriki
Kī mai i Māui
Ehara i te whitu, me te waru e
E tau e koia, koia!

Hui overview: Professor Anne-Marie Brady, University of Canterbury

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1 The section in italics is sung by the kaea, waiata leader. This song talks about when to plant and when not to plant kumara. It also relates to the story of Māui changing into a kererū and following his father into the underworld)
9 am to 10.30 am
Plenary session 1: G-2 or Two blocs?
Chair: Dr Anthony Smith, Department of PM and Cabinet
New Zealand-US relations in the Trump era and beyond
Professor Robert G. Patman, University of Otago
Facing up to the new Geopolitics: China’s Antarctic Interests and the Implications for NZ
Professor Anne-Marie Brady, University of Canterbury/ Wilson Center/ SSANSE Project Director

Small Group Breakout Session:
Small group debate, report back in last 10 minutes:
Q 1: How can New Zealand best balance economic, political, and military relations with the US and China?

10.30-11 am Morning tea

11 am-12.30 noon
Plenary Session 2: Expanding our options
Chair: Anthony Simpson, MFAT
The reform of the UN: the part NZ can play
Dr Joe Burton, University of Waikato
Exploring the meanings and possibilities of an independent New Zealand foreign policy
Mr Nicky Hager, author
Expanding New Zealand foreign policy and trade beyond traditional partnerships
Dr Reuben Steff, University of Waikato

Minute paper on post-its and group discussion:
Q 1: How can New Zealand engage more with the UN and other multilateral organisations?

12.30 pm-1.30 pm Lunch

1.30 pm-3 pm
Plenary Session 3: Being a constructive actor in our region
Chair: Rosemary Banks, MFAT (retired)
Trading with the Great Powers: The limits of New Zealand’s Free Trade Strategy with China
Dr Jake Lin, Victoria University of Wellington
Russia’s Resurgence and New Zealand
Dr Jim Headley, University of Otago
New Zealand’s current relations with Korea and further areas for expansion
Mr K.C. Jung, University of Canterbury
Minute paper on post-its, then group debate:
Q 1: How can we better prepare New Zealanders to participate in a global market and as global citizens, at the same time as protecting and maintaining our society’s political, economic and social rights?

3 pm-3.30 pm Afternoon tea

3.30 pm to 5 pm
Plenary Session 4: Trading with the world
Chair: Hon. David Parker, NZ Labour Party
New Zealand’s Trade Agenda to 2030
Dr Vangelis Vitalis, MFAT
The emerging role of Māori business groups in New Zealand foreign affairs and trade
Mr Ben Matthews, Ngā Puhinui, Tauranga Moana, Ngāti Porou, University of Canterbury and Dr Martin Fisher, University of Canterbury

Small Group Breakout Session:
Small group debate, report back in last 5 minutes:
Q 1: What more does New Zealand need to do to improve our exporting and market access?

4.40 Summing up, call for group reflection on discussions of the day.

6 pm Hui dinner: Riccarton House, 16 Kahu Road, Riccarton, Christchurch
(20 minutes walk from the conference venue or 5 minutes by taxi)

- Sunday 4 June
John Britten Building, 69 Creyke Rd, University of Canterbury, Christchurch, New Zealand

9 am-10.30 am
Plenary Session 5: New Zealand and New Zealanders as global citizens
Chair: Mr Raf Manji, Christchurch City Council
New Zealand and disarmament: what next?
Dr Kate Dewes and Dr Lyndon Burford, independent scholars
NZ’s aid policy: what could we be doing better?
Professor Steve Ratuva, University of Canterbury
New Zealand’s climate change diplomacy: future plans and challenges
Dr Adrian H. Macey, Victoria University of Wellington

Small Group Breakout Session, report back in last 5 minutes:
Small group debate:
Q 1: To what extent can New Zealand afford to promote a moral foreign policy?

10.30-11 am Morning tea

11 am-12.30 pm

Plenary Session 6: Defending our interests
Chair: Mr Carl Worker, MFAT
*The New Sparta Modelling the Strategic Outcomes of New Zealand’s Cyber-Armament Program 2020-2040*
Mr Leonardo Milani, Victoria University of Wellington
*Should New Zealand and Australia Develop a Closer Strategic Relationship?*
Dr Jim Rolfe, Victoria University of Wellington
*Imagining nonviolent foreign policy in a violent world*
Professor Richard Jackson, Otago University

Minute paper on post-its, then group discussion:
*Q. 1: Looking to the future, what will be core areas, priorities, and vehicles of New Zealand defence policy?*

Lunch 12.30 pm-1.30 pm

1.30 pm-3 pm

Plenary Session 7: Small states in theory and practice
Chair: Dr Lindsey Te Ata o Tu MacDonald, Ngāi Tahu, University of Canterbury
*The small state in the new global order*
Professor Baldur Thorhalsson, Centre for Small States Studies, University of Iceland/SSANSE Project Director
*Re-calibrating New Zealand’s Congressional Outreach Strategy in the Days of Trump*
Professor Alan Tidwell, Centre for Australia, NZ, and the Pacific, Georgetown University/SSANSE Project Director
*Small states’ use of the military in foreign policy*
Associate Professor Margarita Seselgyte, Institute of International Relations and Political Science, Vilnius University, Lithuania/SSANSE Project Director

Minute paper on post-its and group discussion: *How can New Zealand partner better with other small states?*

3 pm-3.15 pm Afternoon tea

3.15 pm to 5 pm

Plenary Session 8: Imagining and communicating our future foreign policy
Chair: Mr Reuben Levermore
New Zealand’s future security
Dr Vickie Miller, MFAT

How to communicate New Zealand to global audiences via new media
Professor Natalia Chaban and Dr Serena Kelly, University of Canterbury

Small Group Breakout Session
Small group discussion:
Q 1: What is the conversation we should be having as a nation about our security now, in order to position ourselves to best advantage for the future?
Q 2: How we can make better connections between policymakers, specialists, and the public; and how to increase the pool of experts contributing to deep policy analysis on New Zealand foreign policy?
Q 3: How can we get our ideas out to the wider public and turn academic expertise into deep policy analysis?
Q 4: What are our next steps to achieve this?

4.40 pm Summing up, call for group reflection on discussions of the hui.

5 pm-5.10 pm
Mihi Poroporoaki: Tā Tipene O'Regan, Ngāi Tahi

Waiata: E ihowa Atua

E ihowa Atua
O ngā iwi mātou rā,
āta whakarongo na;
Me aroha noa.
Kia hua ko te pai;
Kia tau tō atawhai;
Manaakitia mai
Aotearoa.¹

5.10 pm close

¹ Composed by Thomas Bracken, Irish-born champion of Māori sovereignty and upholder of Tiriti o Waitangi.