

Time	Topic	Speaker
8.15am- 9.00am	Registrations and Networking	
9.00am- 9.10am	House rules and administration	Emcee John Pulu
<b>Opening Session</b>		
9.10am – 9.20am	Mihi Whakatau	
9.20am – 9.35am	Welcome	Chandar Sen – President NZFBC Renu Chand – President FNZBC
9.35am – 9.50am	Formal opening of conference	Hon. Chris Hipkins Prime Minister of NZ * Hon. Sitiveni Rabuka Prime Minister of Fiji *
9.50am – 10.30am	Photo Session Morning Tea	Sponsored by Tonkin & Taylor
<b>Session One</b>		
<b>Our business environment</b> Why business resilience is important		
<b>About the session:</b> Globalisation, climate change, cyber security, geo-politics, skills shortages, COVID-19 etc and how it has impacted business growth. This session is intended to provide the audience the opportunity to hear from experts followed by a Q & A <i>Facilitator: Arti Chand – Arti Chand Tax Law</i>		
10.30am – 11.30am	The New Zealand Economy	Sharon Zollner ANZ Bank New Zealand, Chief Economist
	The Fijian Economy	Hon Professor Biman Chand Prasad* Deputy Prime Minister. Minister for Finance, Strategic Planning, National Development and Statistics
	Success case study	Simon Bridges CEO, Auckland Business Chamber
	Q & A from the floor	Douglas Pharmaceuticals Kent Durbin, Chief Financial Officer
<b>Session Two</b>		
<b>Sustainability and climate change</b> The impact on the private sector		
<b>About the session:</b> Business enterprises across the Blue Pacific economies are exposed to climate risks such as extreme weather events, sea level rise, distance to markets and low population growth resulting in high cost of doing business. This session is an open discussion with experts for insights on the following. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How can the private sector climate proof their businesses?</li> <li>• How can the private sector access climate adaptation financial resources?</li> <li>• How can these barriers be overcome?</li> <li>• What partnerships can be explored to help overcome these barriers?</li> </ul> What are the enablers for the private sector to invest in climate change adaptation? <i>Facilitator: Glynis Miller, Trade Commissioner, Pacific Trade Invest (NZ)</i>		
11.30am – 12.30pm	Zero Carbon	William Bowden Business Development Manager, Mackwell Loco
		Niels Meinderts Regulatory Affairs Manager Air NZ
		Steven Daysh Partner, Mitchell Daysh
		Dr Mike Hopkins CEO, Carbon and Energy Professionals NZ
Q & A from the floor		
12.30pm – 1.30pm	Lunch	Sponsored by TBA

<b>Session Three</b> Global changes in Logistics		<b>About the session:</b> Air and sea cargo account for all the world's trade, an estimation is that 80% is via sea. There are a number of issues affecting the transport industry. Climate change, rising cost of fuel, and the affordability of the infrastructure required for New Zealand and Fiji to remain competitive in a global economy. Globally, inflation and living costs continue to rise, with the ongoing war in Ukraine continuing to impact food, energy, and fertilizer markets <i>Facilitator: Jackie Nassau, Managing Director, Nassau International</i>
1.30pm – 2.30pm	Q & A from the floor	Adam Lambdin General Manager, Hemisphere Freight Services Athil Narayan Executive Manager, Fiji Airways Rachel Madden President, CBAFF New Zealand
<b>Session Four</b> Our people The Human factor		<b>About the session:</b> The COVID-19 pandemic has changed our work-life balance, where businesses are now recognising the importance of their employees with putting their family needs and mental health first. i.e., working from home and flexible working hours. Skills shortage across the Pacific has escalated impacting the local workforce, in particular the labour market in Fiji is shrinking. <i>Facilitator: Daniel Stow, Trade Commissioner, Fiji Consulate General &amp; Trade Commission</i>
2.30pm – 3.30pm	Raising Awareness	Kate Figgins Director, Humanex
	Ease of doing business needs to be considered Q & A from the floor	Dr Audrey Aumua CEO, Fred Hollows Foundation NZ Fiji Commerce & Employers Federation (FCEF) Panel
<b>Session Five</b> Digital Economy and Cyber Security		<b>About the session:</b> AI comes with its own set of unique challenges This session is intended to hear from industry leaders on how AI is revolutionising cargo facilities and systems, to create differentiation, improve services and enrich customer satisfaction. This session is an open discussion with experts for insights on the following. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What does the internet of the future look like, and should I be concerned?</li> <li>• What can we learn from cybercrimes?</li> <li>• Is my company prepared for ransomware attacks?</li> <li>• What technology is available</li> </ul> <i>Facilitator: Ronald Mudliar, Chief Underwriting Officer, Tower</i>
3.30pm – 4.30pm	Q & A from the floor	Brent Carey CEO, Netsafe Pier Smulders GM, NZ and Australia, Alibaba Group TBA Fiji Revenue and Customs Service (FRSC) Deepak Pratap Director, Lagom Group
<b>Concluding remarks</b>		4:30pm - Conference day programme concludes
4.30pm – 5.45pm	Cocktails at "The Winning Post"	Sponsored by Lagom Group
6.00pm – 10.00pm	Conference Dinner / After Dinner speaker	Sponsored TBA