



2026 TAURANGA CONFERENCE - POSITIVE ORGANISATIONAL CULTURE

Ice breaker @ Miss Gees from 1830 to 2030 on Monday 6th April

CONFERENCE Tuesday 7th April 2026

0800 Registration, coffee and settling in

0830 Powhiri

0845 Welcome and presentation from CFO Port of Tauranga Ltd - Mr Simon Kebbell

0900 Welcome from NZMPA President, Capt. Paul James

0920 Capt. Antonio Di Lieto - Beyond Just Culture: Creating the conditions for Positive Organisational Culture to Emerge

1000 Morning tea in exhibition area

1030 Alan Bradbury - GM Safety and Compliance SALUS Aviation - The DNA of Safe Aircraft Maintenance

1105 Jimmy Koh - Director, Singapore Pilots - Make Harbour Piloting Safer

1130 Florian Monetti - DHI and David Bishop - Marine Operations Manager PoTL - Daily Operational Decision Support for Safe Berthing at the Port of Tauranga (DHI and PoTL Sponsors slot)

1155 Q & A session

1200 Lunch in exhibition area

1300 Kirstie Hewlett - MNZ - Regulators update on industry

1335 David Clarke - Chief Commissioner TAIC - Learning Safety Lessons from Accident Investigation

1410 ATSB Overview - Angus Mitchell - Chief Commissioner ATSB - How do we measure culture?

1445 Q & A session

1500 Afternoon tea in exhibition area

1530 Capt. John Barker - Closing the Loop: Systematic Transit Review and Training at Port of Auckland

1605 Capt. Matt Conyers, NZMPA VP - Dual Purpose

1635 Sponsors Presentation OMC - Dr. Giles Lesser

1650 Q & A Session

1700 End of presentations

Cocktail Evening 1830-2030 @ The Phoenix

CONFERENCE Wednesday 8th April 2026

0800 Settle in over coffee

0830 Capt. Antonio Di Lieto - S-100 in confined waters - Simulator Test Beds

0900 Adam Greenland and Verena Bosselmann-Borsos - NZ Transition to a data Driven Maritime Future

0930 Capt. Simon Pellitier - IMPA President on work being done by IMPA

0950 Q & A session

1000 Morning tea in exhibition area

1030 Maritime New Zealand - Technical presentation

1100 Legal presentation - Karyn van Wijngaarden

1130 Sponsors Presentation - Tiller Technical

1145 Q & A Session

1200 Lunch in exhibition area

1300 Alan Baker - Psychological Safety at Work - Its Real only when it can be Measured

1340 Capt. Damian Laughlin - Organisational Resillience during a Critical Incident

- 1420 Marco Blanco - Psychological Safety in Bridge Teams - Building High-Trust Performance through Integrity, Competence and Care
 1450 Q & A Session

1500 Afternoon tea in exhibition area

- 1530 Capt. Steve Banks - Pilot Transfers Incidents – It's Not All About the Ladder
 1610 Wendy Sullivan - Raising the Standard of car Offshore: Specialised Medical Emergency Training for Maritime Professionals
 1640 Marine Labs Emerging Technology
 1650 Q & A session

1700 End of presentations - Gala Dinner 1830 - 2300 @ Trinity Wharf

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CONFERENCE Thursday 9th April 2026

0800 Settle in over coffee

- 0830 Ricky Rouse - The Pilotage Entrance Exam and the Future of Pilot Competency
 0900 James Riley and Prof Ben Brooks - AMC - Getting the Right People on the Bus (Ship) - Recruitment as a Strategy for a Positive Organisational Culture in Marine Pilotage
 0935 Sponsors Presentation - Trelleborg
 0950 Q & A session

1000 Morning tea in exhibition area

- 1030 Matthew Williams IMPA SG - An Update on IMPA's Technical work
 1105 Arie Palmers - Stop Killing Pilots - Don't accept Bad Ladders
 1135 PTR Holland - Sponsors presentation
 1155 Q & A session

1200 Lunch in exhibition area

- 1300 Pacific Pilot Training Group
 1325 Capt. John Barker - topic TBA
 1350 Capt. Paul James - Cognitive Ergonomics and Mental Workload in Maritime Operations
 1415 Arie Palmers - Capt. Troy Evans contribution to Pilotage
 1450 NZMPA President's Farewell

1500 Afternoon tea in exhibition area

- 1530 Closed Session - NZMPA AGM

1700 Conference concludes

Wash-up Drinks 1830 @ Cornerstone Bar

Training Day - Friday 10th April 2026

These seminars will be run by trainers and industry experts. Workshop 1 will be 0900 to 1300, Workshops 2&3 will be 0900 to 1500 / 300 NZD per non NZMPA Member participant

Workshop 1 - Designing S-100 for Pilotage - A workshop with Antonio Di Leto

multiple slots

Workshop 2 - First Aid training - Wendy Sullivan

12 slots

Workshop 3 - Peer Assistance training - Alan Baker

12 slots

Please note this timetable will be updated as trainers and presenters are confirmed, and seminar details clarified.