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Aquatic & Marine Science Libraries and
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Invitation from NIWA Chief Executive John Morgan

Welcome to Wellington, and to New Zealand.

NIWA – the National Institute of Water and Atmospheric Research – invites the International Association of Aquatic and Marine Science Libraries and Information Centers (IAMSLIC) to come to Wellington, New Zealand’s capital city, for its 46th conference in 2020.

NIWA is New Zealand’s leading provider of atmospheric, freshwater and marine research and associated services. It currently employs 650 staff at fifteen sites around New Zealand, with major sites in Auckland, Hamilton, Wellington and Christchurch.

Wellington is an easy city to get to from most international destinations, and it has a range of venues and accommodation options on offer to suit all budgets. It also offers a wide range of activities and attractions for pre- and post-conference outings, including our national museum Te Papa, Weta Workshop (of Lord of the Rings fame), and Zealandia.

Yours sincerely



John Morgan
NIWA Chief Executive





Why New Zealand?

It's easy to get to New Zealand to attend a conference.

New Zealand is only a 3-4 hour flight from the eastern sea board of Australia and approximately a 10 hour direct flight from most places in the Pacific Rim, including Singapore, Hong Kong, Tokyo and the west coast of the USA. If required, numerous daily flights connect Auckland and Wellington with a flight time of one hour. Explore gloriously uncrowded, but lively, cities and sceneries. New Zealand is a small country, with a population of just 4 million.

Relax and enjoy getting to New Zealand. It's only a 3-4 hour flight from our nearest neighbour Australia and is serviced by more than 330 international flights every week. What's more, passport holders from more than 50 countries do not require a visa for short stays.

Sophisticated meeting spaces, stunning scenery and the warmest welcome on earth – New Zealand has it all.

Experience modern, lively cities with world-class venues and accommodation.

New Zealand is regularly rated as one of the world's preferred destinations, and we'd love to show you around. So stay a while and experience something dramatic, serene, amazing, enticing, or delicious.



INTERNATIONAL
CONNECTIONS TO
AUCKLAND 510+
WEEKLY FLIGHTS
CONNECTING
NEW ZEALAND
TO THE WORLD



Why Wellington?

Wellington is a magnet for creators, thinkers, dreamers and doers

You'll find their stories in our museums and hear their voices in our theatres. You'll read their poetry in our streets and see their imaginations on our silver screens. Our city is a place of possibilities, where we love to make ideas happen.

You can't buy what Wellington has but you can host your next conference or meeting here. And who would blame you for that? New Zealand's capital city has venues to suit all meeting sizes and budgets, gastronomic delights to please all palates and accommodation options to satisfy all. Wellington is celebrated for its events, entertainment, creativity and culture; there's plenty for your delegates to see and do once the lanyards are handed in.

With inspiring pre and post conference options, Wellington offers ultra-relaxing or ultra-active, the choice is yours. Wellington is jam-packed full of activities and attractions set to impress delegates of all demographics. From event management companies to corporate caterers, and from AV providers to team builders, the city is full of professionals that can help turn your ideas into reality.



WELLINGTON'S
SUNSHINE HOURS -
2,000 PER YEAR

Timeframe for the conference:

Because of a large event that happens in Wellington in October every year, we would suggest September as a better month to have the IAMSLIC conference in New Zealand. Also worth keeping in mind is that there is the possibility of two other library related conferences occurring in New Zealand in 2020. The Library and Information Association of New Zealand Aotearoa (LIANZA) will be submitting a bid to bring IFLA to New Zealand (this conference is usually held in August), and KohaCon is apparently likely to be here as well (dates undetermined at this point).



Access

Nestled between hills and harbour, Wellington is a compact, picturesque city that's accessible and easy to get around.

The capital acts as the nation's transport hub and is easily and regularly accessed by international and domestic flights, inter-island ferries, trains and automobiles.

The city centre is a mere 15 minutes' drive from the airport with a number of transport options available for your delegates; taxi, shuttles and Airport Flyer bus. Now that's service!

Once in the city, navigating your way around Wellington is a breeze. The capital is a treasure trove of venues, restaurants, boutiques, markets, galleries, cafes and bars. There are almost 3,000 hotel rooms within walking distance of the CBD, and seven of our major venues are just five minutes' apart, so walking is the city's easiest and most interesting mode of transport for you and your delegates.

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**WELLINGTON AIRPORT**

100,000 AIRCRAFT MOVEMENTS PER YEAR

5.4 MILLION PASSENGERS PER YEAR

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International connections to Wellington

5 International airlines fly direct to Wellington from 32 international destinations around the world.

68 Direct Trans Tasman flights a week to Wellington.



International Connections to Auckland

360+ Weekly flights connecting you to Auckland.

120+ International arrivals every day.

24 International Airlines fly direct to Auckland from 33 destinations around the world.

VISA INFORMATION

Hassle free travel

Having the right passport and visa organised is the key to a trouble-free entry for delegates into New Zealand.

New Zealand's immigration requirements

We enjoy welcoming visitors to New Zealand and we'd like to think that when you come here that you have an experience to remember—but for the right reasons. So if you're coming to New Zealand, it's a good idea to make sure you have everything ready.

When you arrive in New Zealand, you'll need to be carrying a passport that is valid for at least three months beyond your intended departure date. Many people will qualify for visa-free entry, but depending on your country of origin, some will need to apply for a visa before they travel.

Do you need a visa or permit?

You do not need a visa or permit to visit New Zealand if you are:

- A New Zealand/Australia citizen or Resident Permit holder
- An Australian citizen travelling on an Australian passport
- British citizen and/or British passport holder who can produce evidence of the right to reside permanently in the UK (you can stay up to six months)
- A citizen of a country which has a visa waiver agreement with New Zealand (you can stay up to three months).

If you come from Visa-waiver countries, you don't need a visa to enter New Zealand, but are still required to provide:

- Travel tickets or evidence of onward travel arrangements
- Evidence that you can support yourself in New Zealand (approximately NZ\$1000 per month per person).

Visa Waiver Countries

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| Andorra | Hong Kong | Oman |
| Argentina | Hungary | Poland |
| Australia | Iceland | Portugal |
| Austria | Ireland | Romania |
| Bahrain | Israel | Qatar |
| Belgium | Italy | San Marino |
| Brazil | Japan | Saudi Arabia |
| Brunei | Korea (South) | Singapore |
| Bulgaria | Kuwait | Slovak Republic |
| Canada | Latvia | Slovenia |
| Chile | Liechtenstein | South Africa |
| Croatia | Lithuania | Spain |
| Cyprus | Luxembourg | Sweden |
| Czech Republic | Macau | Switzerland |
| Denmark | Malaysia | Taiwan |
| Estonia | Malta | United Arab Emirates |
| Finland | Mexico | United States of America |
| France | Monaco | Uruguay |
| Germany | Netherlands | Vatican City |
| Greece | Norway | |

www.immigration.govt.nz

How much it will be to get here!

| International Port | New Zealand – Auckland or Wellington – return flights |
|--------------------|---|
| Los Angeles | \$1200 (USD) |
| New York | \$1650 (USD) |
| London | \$1000 (USD) |
| Berlin | \$1900 (EU) |
| Johannesburg | \$3,150 (NZD) |
| Sydney | \$400 (NZD) |
| Mexico | \$2500 (NZD) |
| Santiago | \$1900 (NZD) |
| Vancouver | \$1900 (CAD) |
| Apia | \$650 (NZD) |
| Nadi | \$690 (NZD) |

*prices as of March 2017

**cheaper flights are possible during sales

Venues

NIWA as venue

The National Institute of Water and Atmospheric Research (NIWA) is New Zealand's leading provider of atmospheric, freshwater and marine research and associated services. NIWA currently employs over 600 staff spread across 15 locations (with major sites in Auckland, Hamilton, Wellington and Christchurch). The Wellington site is situated at picturesque Greta Point. Our current conference room would comfortably hold 50 people seated theatre style, and we have onsite caterers. However our site is due to be redeveloped in the next couple of years, so it's possible that in 2020 we may either have a larger, brand new conference facility, or that we may have no conference room available at all.



MUSEUM OF TE PAPA

Te Papa is New Zealand's bold and innovative national museum and a recognised world leader in interactive and visitor-focused museum experiences. As well as being a six level museum that showcases New Zealand's national art and treasures, it is also a unique conference and events venue that combines serious business with outstanding hospitality. The stunning waterfront location puts Te Papa at the heart of Wellington, and provides plenty of natural light and lovely harbour views.



CLIFTONS WELLINGTON

Located at the top of the town on Level 28 in the Majestic Tower, Wellington's tallest building. Cliftons Wellington boasts the most spectacular, breath-taking views over Wellington's iconic harbour and city. While the hustle and bustle of the city scurries below, Cliftons guests will experience a relaxed heavenly escape to light, airy, superior facilities to enable them to focus on the session ahead.



RYDGES WELLINGTON

Rydges Wellington is within close distance to the Westpac Stadium, Queens Wharf, Wellington Railway Station, both the Interislander and Bluebridge Ferry terminals and Lambton Quay for shopping. Wellington's leading hotel for luxury and excellence in service, the 4+ hotel has 280 contemporary accommodation rooms and a dedicated conference floor catering for up to 250 delegates.





Accommodation

We want you to feel at home when you visit.

So whether that means a five-star room with a harbour view, a funky backpackers close to the heart of the city, a luxury lodge out of town, or anything in between, Wellington can take care of you. After all, when you're the capital city, hosting people comes with the territory.

Fancy a room with a view? We don't mind if you do! Most downtown accommodation providers offer views of the harbour, bush-clad hills or the bustling city.

WEST PLAZA

This four-star hotel, in the heart of beautiful Wellington, offers spacious and stylish rooms and excellent facilities complemented with superb dining, and service to match. The West Plaza Hotel is just a short drive from the airport and ferry terminals. Located in the central business district, close to the harbour and within walking distance to the best shops, restaurants and entertainment the capital offers.



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CQ COMFORT HOTEL

Located in the vibrant heart of the Cuba quarter, at the doorstep is a melting pot of funky cafes, restaurants, boutique shops and art galleries. Give your delegates a taste of the best the cultural capital has to offer.

The 4 star plus CQ Comfort Hotel Wellington offers hotel rooms that are impressive in size with a fresh and contemporary style with an abundance of space. This modern side of the complex provides a home away from home experience for our corporate travellers and leisure guests. In-room amenities include a modern en suite, kitchenette, complimentary unlimited Wi-Fi, flatscreen TV with SKY and an in-room safe.



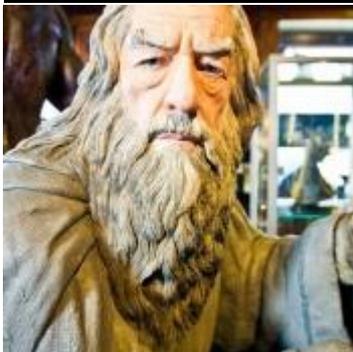
Pre & Post



The vibrant capital of cool is jam-packed full of activities and attractions set to dazzle and delight delegates of all demographics.

Craving more? Before or after your event, venture a little further out of the city and you will uncover an array of experiences offered by Wellington's neighbours. Hutt Valley, Marlborough, Kapiti Coast, Wairarapa and Hawke's Bay all offer their own piece of paradise. Think world class wine, spectacular ocean views, nature reserves and heritage sites; all are close to and easily accessed from Wellington.

Experience movie-magic at the Weta Cave



Oscar-winning [Weta Workshop](#) have worked on some of the biggest and most ambitious movie projects of our generation. A [behind-the-scenes tour](#) at the workshop headquarters reveals the incredible artistry and remarkable Kiwi innovation, as well as a few industry secrets. And of course a visit to The Lord of the Rings locations with [Wellington Rover Tours](#) is a must for Middle-earth fans. Also great for large groups.

Get up close to some native wildlife at Zealandia



For a wonderful and unique experience, visit the sanctuary valley of [Zealandia](#). Volunteer guides will walk you through the beautiful native bush and help you meet the native wildlife by day, or book on a night tour where you'll see and hear different things as it changes from day to night. You may even get to spot some kiwi!

Discover the stories of New Zealand at Te Papa



It's practically a given that a trip to Wellington should include a visit to our national museum of New Zealand, [Te Papa](#). Discover our nation's history by experiencing the innovative and interactive exhibits, or book to go on a guided tour with one of their knowledgeable guides. Private tours are also available for larger groups.

Ride the iconic Wellington Cable Car

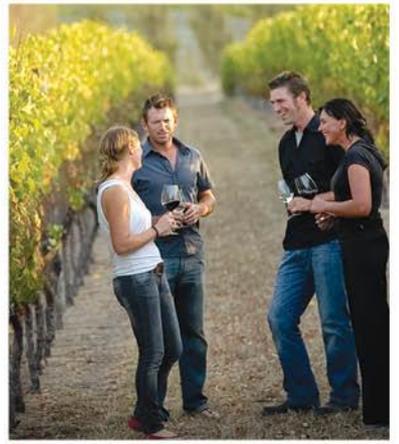


Jump on board the Wellington [Cable Car](#) from the terminal on Lambton Quay and be carried up to the top where you can enjoy the view, the [Cable Car Museum](#), or explore [Space Place at Carter Observatory](#). Either make it a return trip, or wander back down to town through the lovely [Botanic Garden](#).

Relax, wine and dine in the Wairarapa



Just an hour north of Wellington is the heart of the Classic New Zealand Wine Trail: [Wairarapa](#). Devine wine (be sure to sample the region's renowned pinot noir), cuisine and boutique shopping can all be found here. Join a guided wine tour or just grab a wine map and you'll find that this is a perfect excursion for relaxing and winding down.



Indulge your taste buds in the culinary capital



The culinary capital is home to some 750 bars and restaurants. Overwhelmed for choice? Get a taste for the fabulous food scene with the experienced guides of Zest Food Tours who can introduce you to our favourite Wellington flavours. Our craft beer and coffee is also the stuff of legends.

Take time to enjoy the view



For arguably the best view in town, be sure to venture up to the Mount Victoria Lookout. The energetic will like the walk up through town green belt, but it is also possible to drive all the way up to enjoy the stunning 360 degree view of the city and sea.

PROXIMITY MAP

We can't guarantee Wellington's weather—except that it is always interesting. But we can guarantee that you can find everything you might need within ten minutes' walk from the venues or your accommodation—whether it be excellent cuisine, craft beer, or the cultural experience of museums, art galleries and theatres.

-  **NZ Parliament, Beehive**
-  **Te Papa Museum**
-  **Parks**
-  **Wellington Hospital**
-  **Botanic Gardens**
-  **InterContinental Wellington**
-  **QT Museum Wellington**
-  **CQ Comfort Hotel Wellington**
-  **CQ Quality Hotel Wellington**
-  **Copthorne Hotel Oriental Bay Wellington**
-  **Rydges Wellington**



