

## What we strive for...

Our principal aim is to promote the practice of impact assessment in all its forms in the formulation and implementation of policies, plans & projects, and to that end support the use of research and consultation, and the development of impact assessment theory and methods. We promote and expect a high standard of practice among our members, consistent with our Code of Ethics, and place particular importance on Te Tiriti o Waitangi / the Treaty of Waitangi. Overall, we see NZAIA contributing to the protection of the environment and the promotion of sustainable development. See our website for the full statement of aims



## What we do

- ❖ **enews:** monthly information-rich newsletter to members
- ❖ **Impact Connector:** on average two published each year; short invited articles on an impact assessment theme. Next issues on *Disaster impact assessment, and Health impact assessment.*
- ❖ **Conferences:** usually annual, except for 2020.
- ❖ **Submissions:** on relevant government legislation or procedures
- ❖ **Collaborations (MoU based):**
  - ❖ SPREP: assisting with guidelines, training, etc.
  - ❖ EIANZ/SIS-IA: SEA workshops, info sheet.
  - ❖ IAIA: as an affiliate, we join various initiatives

## Strategic planning

- ❖ A Strategic Planning process was initiated in December 2020, to run through 2021.
- ❖ Four working groups of core group members
  - **Governance:** review the NZAIA constitution; capacity building among core group members
  - **Policy:** collate and upload all policies/procedures; identify new policy and procedure needs
  - **External relations:** increase NZAIA visibility; strengthen links to stakeholders; evaluate NZAIA effectiveness
  - **Internal relations:** More proactive engagement with members; new services for members (webinars; online training, etc.)
- ❖ Progress monitored at monthly core group meetings; aim to bring significant changes to AGM in November 2021.

## Social media

Visit us on **Facebook** or **LinkedIn** (links available through the NZAIA website: [www.nzaia.org.nz](http://www.nzaia.org.nz)).



## Annual conference 2019

As NZ was debating the Carbon Zero Bill, we chose climate change mitigation and adaptation as the conference theme, to examine how impact assessment tools can add value to both mitigation and adaptation processes. Through our MoU with the Secretariat for the Pacific Regional Environment Programme (SPREP), based in Samoa, we developed a strong Pacific component to the conference. SPREP supported several Pacific speakers and more than a dozen participants from across the Pacific. Mr Kosi Latu, the Director General, SPREP, was one of the two keynote speakers, the MP Chlöe Swarbrick the other.



## Recent conferences

- *Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation: assessing the impacts* (2019)
- *Unintended Consequences: Impact Assessment for Sustainable Regional Futures* (2018)
- In 2017 we did not hold a conference, joining instead with the EIANZ annual conference in Wellington
- *Strategic environmental assessment in New Zealand: enhancing policies and plans* (2016)
- *Impact assessment in New Zealand: charting a course for the future* (2015)
- *Joining the dots - assessing and managing the impacts of transport infrastructure development* (2014)
- *Freshwater, fresh thinking: the role of impact assessment in freshwater management* (2013)
- *Assessing the impacts of petroleum and mineral extraction in New Zealand* (2012)
- *Natural disasters: impact assessment for sustainable recovery* (2011)

For further information on these conferences and copies of presentations go to Conferences on our website.



## Recent Impact Connector publications

NZAIA's web-based publication, *Impact Connector* contains short articles on an impact assessment theme. Now being indexed by EBSCO. All issues are available on the NZAIA website

**Issue #11** (Jan 2021). *Climate Change Mitigation, Adaptation, and Impact Assessment: views from the Pacific*, edited by Richard Morgan and Greg Barbara

**Issue #10** (Nov 2020). *Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation: the role of impact assessment*, edited by Richard Morgan

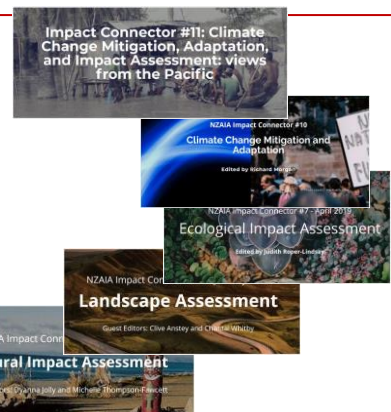
**Issue #9** (May 2020). *Impacts of Covid-19*, edited by Nick Taylor and Richard Morgan (a 'live' issue)

**Issue #8** (Dec 2019). *Social Impact Assessment*, edited by Nick Taylor and Mike Mackay

**Issue #7** (April 2019). *Ecological Impact Assessment*, edited by Judith Roper Lindsay

**Issue #6** (January 2019). *Landscape Assessment*, edited by Clive Anstey and Chantal Whitby

**Issue #5** (April 2018). *Cultural Impact Assessment*, edited by Dyanna Jolly & Michelle Thompson-Fawcett



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