

# Alumni News

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**Welcome to the September edition of the KPMG New Zealand Alumni News.**

Here we have our latest news, publications and events, which we hope will be of interest to you.

## SAVE THE DATE: 2018 Alumni Events



We hope to help you stay connected with your fellow KPMG Alumni through our annual Alumni events across New Zealand.

Save the dates below for our upcoming events. Invitations will be sent out separately where you can register.

We look forward to seeing you at one (or more) of these events!

### WELLINGTON

**When** – 1 November from 5 PM

**Where** – KPMG, 10 Customhouse Quay, Wellington

### AUCKLAND

**When** – 14 November from 5:30 PM

**Where** – KPMG, 18 Viaduct Harbour Avenue, Auckland

### HAMILTON

**When** – Our alumni event will be held early next year as our Hamilton office is currently undergoing a refit due to be completed in December. Watch this space!

### Global transport: Market trends & views



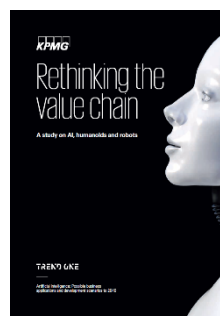
Our June edition of the KPMG Transport Tracker has a special focus on the current disruptive landscape and its impact on the transport sub-sectors.

We share insights into some key questions: how do traditional operations compete in a changing world? What is the future of shipping - has the traditional business model of shipping companies expired?

Blockchain, RPA and automation are also amongst the topics covered.

Read our full publication [here](#) to find out more.

### Rethinking the value chain



Would you like to know what the world would look like in 2040?

With the technology landscape changing rapidly; the future is uncertain but that doesn't mean that we shouldn't be thinking about possible future scenarios – and how to steer organisations in the right direction.

Predicting the future has never been more difficult - but we gave it a try.

This report offers today's decision-makers a unique – and highly plausible – set of views into the future. Join us on our trip into the year 2040 in our report [here](#).

# Celebrating Diversity

## The digital age – The women's era



Many studies show that gender diversity has a positive effect on corporate success. Mixed teams are more successful as they consider different experiences and perspectives.

The 2018 KPMG Global Female Leaders Outlook reveals how global female leaders from 42 countries and territories assess future economic developments, the challenges of digitalisation and their personal career development.

Click [here](#) to see the results from our worldwide survey of nearly 700 female leaders.

## Dress for success

Celene Aitchison from our Wellington office was asked to walk the catwalk for Dress for Success Wellington – an



organisation we support.

The catwalk, held on 11 September, is a way of showcasing what they do – style women to make them feel empowered and confident to attend job interviews or similar and get back into the workforce.

All funds raised by the event support the local Dress for Success branches in Wellington, Lower Hutt and Wairarapa.

Find out more about the organisation [here](#).

## Rainbow dinner



KPMG NZ was the proud principal sponsor for the Rainbow New Zealand Charitable Trust's Rainbow Dinner and Auction held on 9 September. The evening raised much needed funds for distribution to the LGBTQI+ community in Aotearoa.

Find out more about the Rainbow Trust [here](#).

## KPMG Partner, Souella Cumming inaugurated as Governor for Zonta International NZ

Souella Cumming has been inaugurated as Governor for Zonta International's New Zealand chapter, for the 2018-2020 biennia.



This recognition is a testament to Souella, who joined the organisation in 2006, and her prominence as a widely respected member of Zonta – a leading global organisation of 29,000 professionals empowering women worldwide through service and advocacy. Zonta members volunteer their time, talents and money to local and international service programs, as well as scholarship and award programs aimed at furthering women's education, leadership and youth development.

Please join us in congratulating Souella on stepping into this important position – especially timely as we mark the 125th anniversary of women's suffrage in New Zealand on 19 September 2018.

## Diversity Awards New Zealand

KPMG NZ was nominated in the Work-Life Balance Category at the Diversity Awards in August for our Family@KPMG Policy.

On the night, The NZ Defence Force won the Supreme Award for their work preventing sexual harassment in the workplace.

The Diversity Awards recognise workplaces that embrace 'difference' and encourage every employee to live up to their potential.

Find out how KPMG is making a difference [here](#).



## Tax

### Taxmail: Draft BEPS Act guidance

The draft special reports provide the first view of how Inland Revenue expects the new BEPS Act to work. There has been five draft special reports released which provide guidance on the key elements of the Act including transfer pricing and interest limitation. You can find KPMG's insights on all five elements in our latest taxmail [here](#).

### Reminder: KPMG Practical Tax Series 2018

The next seminar in our practical tax series, 'Getting GST Right' is coming up!

Topics covered include GST registration and filing requirements, the difference between "taxable", "exempt" and "zero-rated" supplies, maximising GST input tax credits and managing GST apportionments.

You can still register using the links below.

**Auckland** [25-Sep](#)

**Wellington** [28-Sep](#)

**Hamilton** [27-Sep](#)

**Tauranga** [26-Sep](#)

**CPD** - each seminar counts for 2.5 CPD hours.

For general queries about the 2018 tax seminar series please contact Lisa Muir at [lisamuir@kpmg.co.nz](mailto:lisamuir@kpmg.co.nz) or (09) 367 5968.

## Reporting Updates

Amongst the topics covered in this issue – we look into international accounting updates; you can find information on IFRS 17 *Insurance Contracts* and IAS 32: *Financial Instruments with Characteristics of Equity (FICE)* as well as updates on IPSASB proposed amendments to the new financial instruments standard. For details, [click here](#).

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We value your connection with us and invite you to visit our Alumni website periodically to stay abreast of all the latest news and happenings at KPMG New Zealand. Please reach out to us if you would like additional information regarding any of the above topics.



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