

You are cordially invited to attend a Business Links Seminar entitled:

New Zealand tax reform: The next steps

Presentations by Professor Bob Buckle and John Cantin

Chair: John Shewan

In May 2010, the New Zealand and Australian budgets responded to national and global economic, social, and fiscal challenges and the respective recommendations made by the New Zealand Tax Working Group and the Australian Henry Review.

Both reviews recommended that their governments develop new institutional arrangements for identifying problems, analysing and debating options, and implementing reform of their tax and transfer systems. Neither government has formally responded to these recommendations.

This seminar assesses the 2010 New Zealand and Australian budgets, the two reviews and the innovations in public policy research and development in the two countries in 2009-10. It will focus on what New Zealand's next steps should be.

Professor Bob Buckle will discuss the Tax Working Group, the New Zealand Budget and the Future. John Cantin will then talk about the Henry Review, the Australian Budget and the Implications for New Zealand. John Shewan, Bob Buckle and John Cantin will then form a panel to answer questions.

Tuesday, 6 July 2010 from 5.30 pm to 7.00 pm

**Victoria University of Wellington, Rutherford House,
Lecture Theatre 2, 23 Lambton Quay, Wellington**

Book launch by John Whitehead and Bob Russell

Following the Business Links seminar, the Secretary to the Treasury and the Commissioner of Inland Revenue will launch a book by some leading international and New Zealand tax economists discussing appropriate directions for tax and transfer reform in New Zealand and other small open economies.

This book is an integral part of the academic-public-private partnership that led to the setting up of the New Zealand Tax Working Group and the Budget 2010. For book details, see [here](#).



**The book launch and social function will be held on
the Ground Floor Foyer of Rutherford House from
7.00 – 8.00 pm.**

All welcome.