

Not-for-Profit Seminar Series 2014

Seminar 3

Preparing for 2015 –

Registration, governance and accounting issues for Charities

*Victoria University of Wellington, Government Buildings, Lecture Theatre 1, 15 Lambton Quay, Wellington
Wednesday, 27 August 2014*

Registered Charities must comply with the new reporting requirements under the Charities Act from 1 April 2015. Many organisations are reviewing their governance structures and the form of their charity registration in light of the new reporting requirements in order to ensure that these structures and arrangements fit well with their mission and that the ensuing reporting is relevant to all their stakeholders. In this seminar you will be given an update on the new requirements and hear from representatives of three organisations who are responding to the change in different ways.

This seminar will cover:

- The options, merits and drawbacks of single and group registrations with DIA Charities
- Challenges in developing an appropriate structure that meets members' needs – and tips on how to overcome these
- Getting ready for the expected audit requirements as part of the structural and registration reconsiderations
- Evaluating costs and options in developing costing systems to meet the structure of your organisation

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All presentations will be held in GB LT 1

8.15 – 8.45am	Registration and Breakfast [GB Foyer]
8.45 – 9.05am	Session 1: An update on the developments in Charities registration, financial reporting and auditing Chair: Tony van Zijl
	<i>An update on the DIA, Charities work programme.</i> <i>Lesa Kalapu, General Manager, Charities, Department of Internal Affairs</i>
9.05 – 9.30am	<i>An update on financial reporting standards across all 4 tiers and the Accounting Infrastructure Reform Bill.</i> <i>Dr Carolyn Cordery, Senior Lecturer, School of Accounting and Commercial Law, VBS</i>
9.30 – 10.50am	Session 2: Organisational Change – The interface between registration, governance and accounting Chair: Carolyn Cordery
	<i>The changes for all charities in 2015 provide an opportunity for a review of organisational structures, forms of registration (group or individual entity) to ensure all organisational arrangements and reporting and assurance is fit for the future. In this session you will hear about how three organisations have considered their structures, the issues that are emerging and how they are being addressed.</i> <i>Dave Henderson, Coordinator ANGOA - Merging two membership entities</i> <i>Marlies Frew, Business Services Manager, Scouts NZ – Creating and coordinating a membership entity</i> <i>Peter van Hout, Financial Services Manager, Methodist Church of New Zealand – Managing separate, but related entities</i>
	Q&A
10.50 – 11.10am	Morning Tea [GB Foyer]
11.10 – 12.00pm	Session 3 : Considering expenses and costing systems in reviewing structures Chair: Kevin Simpkins
	<i>Organisational structures and costing. Lessons drawn from a number of research projects in this area.</i> <i>Dr Carolyn Fowler, Senior Lecturer, School of Accounting and Commercial Law, VBS.</i>
12.00 – 12.15pm	Closing Review – Kevin Simpkins, Adjunct Professor, School of Accounting and Commercial Law, VBS
12.15pm	Close

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