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# Symposium 1- 2 June 2017

#### 'Corporate Sustainability and the Long Term Interests of the Company

#### **Day 1 Programme**

Thursday 1 June 2017		
09:00-09:30	Registration: The University of Auckland Old Government House, Level 2, NZFUW Room 22 Princes Street, Auckland, Auckland 1010, New Zealand	
09:30-09:40	Official Opening of Symposium: Professor Andrew Stockley Dean, Auckland Law School, Auckland University (New Zealand)	
09:40-09:50	General welcome: Professor Susan Watson Professor, Auckland Law School, Auckland University (New Zealand)	
09:50-10:00	Introduction of presenters and keynote speakers: Professor Jean du Plessis Director, Centre for Comparative Corporate Governance (CCC-G), Deakin Law School, Deakin University (Australia)	
10:00-10:45	Opening Keynote Address: Professor Paul Redmond, Sir Gerard Brennan Professorship, Faculty of Law, University of Technology (Australia) 'Assessing The United Nations Framework On Business And Human Rights As A Regulatory Model To Secure Corporate Sustainability'	
10:45-11:30	Session 2: Professor Susan Watson (see details above) 'The Corporation a Sustainable Entity'	
11:30-11:45	Morning Tea / Coffee	
11:45-12:30	Session 3: Dr. Alice Klettner Business School, University of Technology (Australia) 'The Role of Stewardship Codes in the Pursuit of Corporate Sustainability'	
12:30-13:30	Lunch	
13:30-14:15	Session 4: Helen Dervan Senior Lecturer, Law School, Auckland University of Technology (New Zealand) 'The Regulation Of New Zealand Financial Markets Sustainabilty Through Reform'	

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14:15–15:00	Session 5: Associate Professor Chris Noonan Associate Professor, Auckland Law School, Auckland University (New Zealand) 'Influentiality: Understanding the Role of the Corporate Board'
15:00-15:30	Networking Break / Afternoon Tea/ Coffee
15:30–16:15	Session 6: Dr Mark Bowler Smith Senior Lecturer, Auckland University (New Zealand) 'Corporate Competitiveness and the Environment: Towards a 'Win-Win' Scenario'
16:15-17.00	Session 7: Heida Donegan Senior Counsel, Head of Chinese Business, Kensington Swan (New Zealand)  'Corporate Governance in China: Development, Sustainability and New Horizons'
16:45-17:00	Day 1 Summary & Perspectives: Professor Susan Watson
19:00	Conference Dinner

### **Day 2 Programme**

Thursday 2 June 2017		
09:00-09:45	Session 8: Professor Jean du Plessis Director, Centre for Comparative Corporate Governance (CCC-G), Deakin Law School, Deakin University (Australia) Sustainability, Integrated Thinking And Integrated Reporting: Integral Parts Of The Long Term Interests Of The Company?'	
09:45-10:30	Session 9: Professor Julie Cassidy Professor, Auckland University (New Zealand) "Frankenstein Incorporated" v Social Citizen: The Role of Corporate Social Responsibility and Corporate Sustainability in New Zealand Corporate Governance"	
10:30-11:00	Morning Tea / Coffee	
11:00-11:45	Session 10: Dr Rosemary Langford Senior Lecturer, Melbourne Law School, Melbourne University, (Australia) 'Directors' Duties and Corporate Sustainability – The Increasing Importance of the Duty of Care'	
11.45-12.30	Session 11: Professor Gill North Professor, Deakin Law School, Deakin University (Australia) 'Corporate Sustainability Risk Management & Reporting In Australia And New Zealand: Where Are We And What Could We Do Better?'	

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12:30-14:00	Lunch Speaker: Professor Florencio Lopez-de-Silane Professor, EDHEC Business School (France) 'Law and Finance "What have we learnt and what is missing?'
14:00-14.45	Session 12: Associate Professor Liliana Erakovic Associate Professor, Business School, Auckland University (New Zealand) 'Boards Of Directors: Managing Stakeholder Relationships'
14.45-15.30	Session 13: George Dawson Judges Clerk (New Zealand) 'The Best Interests Of The Company": Fundamental Duty Or Fruitless Enquiry?'
15:30-16:00	Afternoon Tea / Coffee
16:00-16:30	Panel Discussion on all sessions:
16:30-16:45	Day 2 Summary, Perspectives and Closing Remarks: Professor Jean du Plessis