



# Bring Back Nature 2021 Conference

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SATURDAY 26 JUNE

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**9.15am** Welcome from **MC Alison Ballance**

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**Mihi Whakatau** – Peter Jackson (Te Āti Awa ki te Whanganui-a-Tara)  
Response – then welcome from **Kevin Hague, Chief Executive Forest & Bird**

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## SESSION ONE: BRING BACK NATURE

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**9.30am** **Kevin Hague, Chief Executive Forest & Bird**  
Understanding the loss of nature in Aotearoa, and how we can Bring Back Nature.

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**9.55am** **Message from the (acting) Minister of Conservation, Hon Dr Ayesha Verrall**

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**10.15am** **Dion Pou, ecologist**  
Intergenerational knowledge, and the restoration of ecosystems at Te Atatu.

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**10.35am** **Break (25 mins)**

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## SESSION TWO: CLIMATE CHANGE

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**11.00am** **Hon James Shaw, Minister for Climate Change**

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**11.15am** **Panel discussion on bringing back nature AND addressing Climate Change**

- Hon James Shaw, Minister for Climate Change
  - Rod Oram, business journalist
  - Sheridan Waitai, Ngāti Kuri
  - Dr Stephanie Borrelle, Birdlife International
  - Tamatha Paul, youth activist and Wellington City Councillor
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**12.00pm**

**Lunch break (1 hour)**

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## SESSION THREE: MĀTAURANGA MĀORI

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**1.00pm**  
*(parallel session)*

**Dr Dan Hikuroa, University of Auckland**  
Earth systems and mātauranga Māori

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**1.00pm**  
*(parallel session)*

**Naomi Aporo**  
Te Mana o te Wai and freshwater management

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## SESSION FOUR: A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE

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**1.45pm**

**Rt Hon. Helen Clark, Former Prime Minister, Former Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme**  
In conversation with **Kevin Hague, Chief Executive Forest & Bird** on sustainability and tackling the problems of climate change.

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**2.20pm**

**Break (20 mins)**

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## SESSION FIVE: RETURNING ABUNDANCE TO THE OCEAN

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**2.40pm**

**Prof Dame Juliet Gerrard, Prime Minister's Chief Science Advisor**

Insights from her report to the Prime Minister on commercial fisheries and the implications for the future of our fishing sector.

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**3.00pm**

**Hon David Parker, Oceans and Fisheries Minister**

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**3:30pm**

**Closing remarks**  
MC Alison Ballance  
Kevin Hague, Forest & Bird Chief Executive

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