

WINTER MAINTENANCE SYMPOSIUM



The last Winter Maintenance Symposium was held in 2003 in Christchurch. The purpose of this symposium is to examine current needs, and to consider future strategies. Considerable technical progress has been made both in New Zealand and overseas since 2003. This time Queenstown will host this event and we invite you to join us in the "Winter Wonderland" of New Zealand to participate in this exciting and informative event.

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KEYNOTE SPEAKER



→ STEPHEN SMYTH

WINTER SERVICE MANAGER, NATIONAL ROADS AUTHORITY IRELAND

Stephen Graduated from the University of Strathclyde in Glasgow in 1996 with a degree in Civil Engineering.

He began his career working as a member of a Resident Engineering team on site investigation and construction contracts for national road motorways in the republic of Ireland.

In 2002 Stephen joined the National Roads Authority in Ireland working initially in the engineering standards division and in 2005 moved to the Network Operations section.

Since 2005 Stephen has been responsible for the annual winter service programme for the 5,500 km network of national roads in Ireland.



→ PETER HOLLINGSWORTH

Peter has worked in the meteorological industry for approaching

30 years. He joined the UK Met Office as an "Assistant Scientific Officer" in 1983.

In 2004, Peter was instrumental in bringing on board one of Metra's largest contracts and that was the service to the BBC, not many people know that the mighty BBC use Metra and MetServices excellent weather graphics tool "Weatherscape" on all of their broadcast platforms, so if you are watching the BBC on TV or online and you see weather, it is driven by a graphics package built and supported from right here in New Zealand.

Peter is now the commercial manager in charge of New Zealand B2B sales and sees a bright future for business in New Zealand with growth in the commercial sector in almost all sectors.



→ KEN SHIRLEY

Ken Shirley became the Road Transport Forum Chief Executive Officer in July 2010.

A soil and water conservation scientist, he entered Parliament as the Labour MP for Tasman in 1984. He served as the Minister of Fisheries, Associate Minister of Agriculture, Associate Minister of Forestry and Associate Minister of Health before the Labour Government lost power in 1990.

A foundation member of the ACT Party and Deputy Leader/Whip from 1996-2005.

In May 2006 he became the first Chief Executive Officer of Organics Aotearoa NZ which aims at making organics a \$1 billion industry by 2013, before moving on to head the Researched Medicines Industry Association in 2007.

Ken is a member of the Human Rights Review Tribunal and a Director of GNS Science.



→ DR. JORDY HENDRIKX

Jordy is the new Director of the Snow & Avalanche Laboratory

and an Assistant Professor in the Department of Earth Sciences at Montana State University. Jordy has undertaken research on snow, glaciers, avalanches and climate change around the world, and has considerable experience with applied research and road avalanche programmes.

Jordy has worked with on-snow vehicle testing operations and has mapped and assessed the hazard for several avalanche prone roads.

Prior to working for Montana State University, Jordy worked as a Snow and Ice Scientist at NIWA (National Institute for Water and Atmospheric Research) in Christchurch, New Zealand.

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