

You are cordially invited to attend a Business Links Seminar – a panel discussion on:

"Should charities receive tax incentives?"

The Hon Peter Dunne, Minister of Revenue, will give the Opening Address



The Minister will also receive a Working Paper from Letisha Tan, an accounting Honours student in the School of Accounting and Commercial Law. Letisha's study is entitled "A step towards resolving the dilemma surrounding the tax treatment of volunteers' reimbursement and honorarium – an inquiry into the cost of volunteering in New Zealand".

The Panel will comprise:



Frank Claridge, FCA, a Justice of the Peace, is an Auckland accountant by training and experience, and has been involved with many not-for profit and charitable organisations in financial management and governance roles throughout his career. From 1984 until July 2003, Frank served as Treasurer for the Royal New Zealand Foundation of the Blind and is a past Treasurer of the New Zealand Federation of Voluntary Welfare Services. Frank is a member of the Board of the Charities Commission.

Frank Claridge



Aylton Jamieson is a Chartered Accountant, and a member of both the Wellington District Law Society and the International Fiscal Association. Aylton commenced his tax career as the Solicitor on Special Companies for the Inland Revenue Department in 1986. Since then he has worked as a tax manager for PricewaterhouseCoopers for eight years, and was a partner in a boutique firm for five years that mainly represented public sector bodies. Aylton has also worked for NZICA in a tax lobbying role for approximately five years.

Aylton Jamieson



David McLay has been a barrister since 2003, having previously been a partner in Bell Gully for 17 years and a Lecturer in the Accountancy Department at VUW. David specialises in tax, trust and charity law. David has broad experience in taxation matters and has appeared as counsel in about 40 tax cases. David has advised a number of significant charities and other non-profit organisations on a variety of structuring and restructuring issues. He has been a member of the Government Relations Committee of Philanthropy New Zealand since 1994.

David McLay

Wednesday, 5 December 2007, International Volunteering Day, from 5.30pm – 7.00pm
Lecture Theatre 2, Rutherford House, 23 Lambton Quay, Wellington
Victoria University of Wellington

The seminar will be followed by refreshments on the Mezzanine Floor of Rutherford House from 7.00 – 8.00pm.

This is a free seminar. For catering purposes kindly RSVP (acceptances only)
by Monday, 3 December 2007 to vanessa.borg@vuw.ac.nz or telephone 04 463 5550.