







# INBLF ASIAN SUMMIT

AUCKLAND AND QUEENSTOWN NEW ZEALAND

26 February to 1 March 2016

## PROGRAMME







CHARLES M. KAGAY
PRESIDENT

# WELCOME FROM INBLF

I am delighted that the INBLF's valued New Zealand member, Lowndes, has given us the opportunity to experience their South Pacific paradise this winter — or rather, summer, as everything is now upside down. On behalf of the INBLF, I want to welcome all of our members making the long but most worthwhile journey to this Sixth Asian Summit, to celebrate the incredible geographic diversity of our network of uniformly distinguished attorneys.



MARK LOWNDES
MANAGING PARTNER

## AND FROM THE HOST FIRM

It gives us great pleasure to host the INBLF Sixth Asian Summit and to welcome you to Auckland, New Zealand. We have developed an engaging business programme, and are looking forward to showing you around Auckland, New Zealand's largest city, which is based on two beautiful harbours.

We hope that you will also be joining us for the optional extension to Queenstown. We have some beautiful sights, great food and wine, and fun activities to share with you there.





## INTRODUCTION

## **AUCKLAND - CONFERENCE**

Auckland is the home to one third of New Zealand's population and is New Zealand's commercial capital.

Imagine an urban environment where everyone lives within half an hour of beautiful beaches, hiking trails and a dozen enchanting islands. Add a sunny climate, a background rhythm of Polynesian culture and a passion for outstanding food and wine. You're beginning to get the picture of Auckland, New Zealand, our largest and most diverse city.

You can spot the Auckland volcanoes dotted across the region. Look for the tell-tale green pastures. Many of them are also home to lush parkland just perfect for a picnic or a leisurely stroll.



## QUEENSTOWN - OPTIONAL EXCURSION

Queenstown is located in the southern lakes region of the South Island, New Zealand.

Surrounded by incredible mountains, and situated on the edge of crystal clear Lake Wakatipu, Queenstown is New Zealand's leading visitor destination.

The region is renowned for its four distinct seasons, spectacular scenery and world class activities and attractions.

Over 2 million visitors are drawn to Queenstown each year, including adventurers, filmmakers, wine enthusiasts, Hollywood and Bollywood stars and US Presidents to enjoy their own unforgettable travel experience. Visitors come to experience the unique scenery, search for adventure, seek out relaxation and rejuvenation, or to just breathe the pure mountain air.

Central Queenstown is a sophisticated town with a fantastic choice of restaurants, a lively bar scene and excellent shopping. The picturesque town sits on the edge of Lake Wakatipu and you'll experience a unique energy and atmosphere all year round.

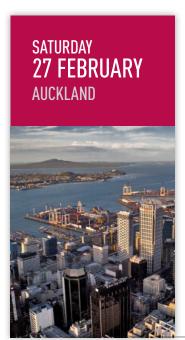






# AUCKLAND PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

10:30 am	Transport from Sofitel Hotel to Ferry Building		
11:00 am	Ferry to Waiheke Island		
11:45 am	Transport to Stonyridge Vineyard		
12:00 pm	Wine tasting and lunch at Stonyridge Vineyard		
2:30 pm	Transport from Stonyridge Vineyard to Ferry		
3:00 pm	Return Ferry to Auckland City		
3:45-5:30 pm	Free time		
5:30 pm	Welcome cocktail reception at Lowndes		
7:30 pm	Welcome dinner at Fish Restaurant		



7:00 am-8:30 am	00 am-8:30 am Breakfast in Lava Dining Room, Sofitel Hotel	
8:30 am	INBLF Conference Maori welcome for all guests (including partners) at Sofitel Hotel	
9:00 am-12:00 pm	Conference for INBLF members	
12:00 pm	pm Lunch at Sofitel Hotel (delegates)	
1:00 pm	Afternoon free for optional activities (See details Page 7)  • Bridge climb  • Auckland City bus sightseeing tour  • Walking tour of Auckland	
6:45 pm	Transport from Sofitel Hotel to The Sugar Club	
7:00 pm	Gala dinner at The Sugar Club	



# **SATURDAY BUSINESS SESSION**

TIME	ACTION
8:30 am	Maori welcome for all guests (incl. accompanying guests)
8:50 am	Departure of Maori party (and accompanying guests)
9:00 am	Conference starts
	INBLF Chairman Welcome
	Host Firm Welcome
9:30 am	Keynote Speaker
10:30 am	Morning tea break
11:50 am	Conference ends
12:00 pm	Lunch, Sofitel Hotel (delegates)







#### LUXURY ATRIUM ROOM

NZ\$390 (approx USD\$261)

Views over internal water feature, king bed, Juliet balcony, marble bathroom with deep soaking bath and separate rain shower.



#### **LUXURY MARINA ROOM**

NZ\$465 (approx USD\$311)

Impressive marina views, king or queen bed, Juliet balcony, marble bathroom with deep soaking bath and separate rain shower.

### CONFERENCE VENUE - SOFITEL, VIADUCT HARBOUR, AUCKLAND

This stylish Auckland luxury hotel places guests near the heart of Auckland Central beside the upscale Viaduct Harbour lifestyle development and the attractions of the new Wynyard Quarter. Its understated elegance overlooks the shimmering Waitemata Harbour and Viaduct.



#### RATES ARE ROOM ONLY.

**Breakfast** for Saturday and Sunday is included in your registration fee. **Complimentary high speed internet** is included at 500mb per day.

5-10 minute walk to the Wynyard Quarter on the harbour great bars, cafes & restaurants.

10-15 minute walk to Viaduct/Harbour & Downtown area at the waterfront, shops, bars, restaurants.

**Registrants are responsible** for there own hotel bookings and cancellation charges.

Airport transfers can be arranged with Corporate Cabs at a discounted rate to and from Auckland International Airport. Guests need to mention **Lowndes** to get the discount. Payment needs to be made direct to the cab driver.

Contact: +64 9 377 0773 Email: akbookings@corporatecabs.co.nz

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# **AUCKLAND** Friday 26 February



FERRY TO WAIHEKE
ISLAND AND LUNCH AT
STONYRIDGE VINEYARD



STONYRIDGE VINEYARD



DINNER AT FISH SEAFOOD RESTAURANT

Waiheke Island is the ultimate island retreat. You'll feel another world away, and yet Waiheke is just a 35-minute ferry ride from downtown Auckland. Known as the island of wine for its many wineries and vineyards.

Stonyridge Vineyard is a world-renowned Cabernet-blend winegrower, located on the beautiful island of Waiheke. It is located at the same relative latitude as the southern tip of Sicily. Stonyridge is located in a gently north-facing valley, sheltered from the cold southwesterly winds by Stonyridge, a long ridge running from one coast to the other.

Nestled in a shimmering valley of olive trees, colourful vines, and the aromas of the south of France, the Veranda Restaurant is one of the most romantic and exotic venues in New Zealand for dining.

Located on Level I of Hilton Auckland, FISH Restaurant is a relaxed and unique Auckland dining experience, combined with stunning views across the Waitemata Harbour, the best of New Zealand fish and produce, all wrapped up in Shane Yardley and Gareth Stewart's dependable style.

Shane Yardley has created a dynamic and mouth-watering menu including the freshest seafood.

# **AUCKLAND**Saturday 27 February



#### MORNING / CONFERENCE

After breakfast and a traditional Maori welcome, guests who are not attending the conference may depart for the morning while delegates settle down to the conference at the Sofitel.





OPTIONAL AFTERNOON ACTIVITES: BRIDGE CLIMB, SIGHTSEEING, WALKING TOUR

## Auckland Bridge Climb NZ\$125pp\* (approx USD\$84pp\*)

Spanning a harbour so beautiful it brings tears to the eyes of even the most hardened. A safe and easy walk on specially engineered catwalks takes you from the base to the summit of the bridge, with amazing views all along the way.

## Auckland City bus sightseeing tour NZ\$78pp\* (approx USD\$52pp\*)

This Auckland city tour showcases the city highlights of Auckland and takes you on a journey of discovery designed to explore the history and sights as well as see how Aucklanders live and play.

## Walking Tour of Auckland NZ\$25-\$40pp\* (approx USD\$17-\$27pp\*)

Great Auckland private walking tours are a truly memorable way to explore Auckland City. Your personal local guide will lead you on your tour, showing you the very best that Auckland has to offer in 90 minutes. On your walk you will hear interesting dialogue about Auckland's history, culture and local secrets.



## EVENING GALA DINNER AT THE SUGAR CLUB

The fourth incarnation of Peter Gordon's Sugar Club is located on Level 53 of the fabulous Auckland Sky Tower, with its breathtaking views across the city. The menu is based around small seasonal plates packed full of flavour.

Sugar Club decor evokes 1930s Art Deco Italy and is inspired by the sensual film 'I Am Love'. Brass fittings, stone table tops and gorgeous tableware all add to the atmosphere.

Be cosseted and invigorated after a meal of discovery, complemented by deliciously creative cocktails and Peter Gordon's favourite wines from around New Zealand and Italy.

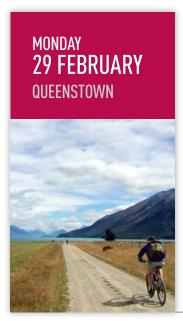






# OPTIONAL QUEENSTOWN EXCURSION OVERVIEW

7:00 am-8:30 am	Breakfast in Lava Dining Room, Sofitel Hotel	
8:30 am	Transport from Sofitel Hotel to Auckland Airport	
10:15 am (departing time)	Flight to Queenstown NZ 0639 (Air New Zealand)	
12:05 pm	Arrive Queenstown Airport, collect bags	
12:20 pm	Transport from airport to Amisfield Winery for lunch. (Your driver will transport your bags on to The Rees Hotel while you have lunch).	
2:00 pm	Transport to Queenstown gondola	
	Balance of afternoon free to explore Queenstown town. Make your own way back to The Rees Hotel	
7:15 pm	Transport from hotel to Mark Lowndes' and Marla Compton's holiday home on Lake Hayes	
7.30 pm	BBQ dinner at Mark Lowndes and Marla Compton's holiday home	
	Transport back to The Rees Hotel	

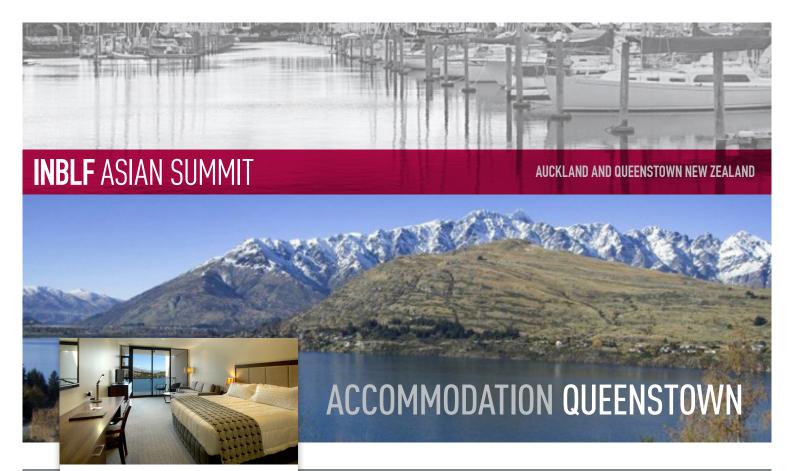


7:00 am-9:00 am	Breakfast in True South Dining Room, The Rees Hotel		
9:00 am	Transport to Arrowtown		
9:30 am	Walk around miners' huts and Arrowtown village		
10:45 am	Cycle Arrowtown to Gibbston Winery		
12:15 pm	Lunch Gibbston Winery		
1:45 pm	Afternoon free for optional activities  • 4WD  • Shotover jet  • Paragliding  • Kawarau Bridge Bungy		
7:15 pm	Transport from The Rees Hotel to restaurant		
7:30 pm	pm Dinner at Botswana Butchery, Queenstown		
	Transport back to The Rees Hotel		
	Queenstown Excursion Ends Make own transport arrangements out of Queenstown		

Note: Tuesday morning breakfast in the True South Dining Room at The Rees Hotel is included in your registration fee.







#### **EXECUTIVE LAKE VIEW ROOM**

NZ\$405 (approx USD\$271)

Chic, contemporary designed Executive Lake View Hotel Rooms offer a lounge area that opens out onto a tiled balcony with views of Lake Wakatipu to the Remarkable Mountains. Featuring a super king bed (or twin king single beds) with a generous bathroom featuring an Italian designed spa bath.



**EXECUTIVE LAKE VIEW APARTMENT** 

NZ\$585 (approx USD\$392)

### THE REES HOTEL, QUEENSTOWN

Showcasing breathtaking panoramic lake and alpine views, The Rees Hotel Queenstown is a mid sized lodge style hotel situated right on the shores of Lake Wakatipu, just a gentle walk from Queenstown's town centre.

RATES ARE ROOM ONLY.

Breakfast for Monday and Tuesday is included in your registration fee.

Group Rates also available to delegates extending stay post event.

4km from Queenstown Airport. I.5km from Queenstown town centre.



#### EXECUTIVE LAKE VIEW, 2 BEDROOM APARTMENT

NZ\$643.50 (approx USD\$431)

The Rees offers a courtesy shuttle and also has a water taxi service to/from Queenstown town centre. Both operate regularly on a daily basis.

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Chic, contemporary designed Executive Lake View One Bedroom Apartments offer a large living space opening onto a tiled balcony with views across Lake Wakatipu to the Remarkables Mountains. Featuring a super king bed and an Italian designed bathroom with a walk-in shower. Chic, contemporary designed Executive Lake View Two Bedroom Apartments each offer a large living space that opens onto a tiled balcony with views across Lake Wakatipu to the Remarkables Mountains. Approximately 90 sq m in size. Featuring super king sized Rees beds (or twin king-single beds in the back bedroom), and two Italian designed bathrooms with spacious walk-in showers.







# QUEENSTOWN EXCURSION

Sunday 28 February



#### **LUNCH AT AMISFIELD**



WANDER QUEENSTOWN



DINNER AT MARK & MARLA'S, LAKE HAYES

On arriving in Queenstown, your luggage will be dropped off to your room at The Rees while you are taken straight to lunch at Amisfield winery and bistro.

Located 15 minutes drive from central Queenstown, overlooking Lake Hayes and back dropped by the Remarkables Mountain range, is the iconic stone building which houses Amisfield's Bistro and Cellar Door.

Opened in 2005, the award winning bistro offers a seasonal la carte menu and the "Trust the Chef" signature menu which offers a shared dining experience, with dishes selected by the chef based on fresh produce and ingredients available on the day. The food is an expression of local seasonal ingredients elegantly prepared, and an ultimate complement to the wines.

After taking a ride on the gondola up Bob's Peak to view the city from above, and maybe have a few rides on the luge\*, have a free afternoon to wander the streets of Queenstown.

Make your own way back to the Rees Hotel.

Round off the day with a Kiwi barbeque at Mark Lowndes & Marla Compton's holiday house on the shores of Lake Hayes. Situated a quick 15 minute drive from Queenstown, it's easy to see why Lake Hayes is called 'the most photographed lake in New Zealand' or 'mirror lake' . Reflecting the majestic mountains of the Wakatipu Basin and the earthy tones of the landscape, this lake offers a million and one photographic moments.

st an additional cost is payable at the gondola for the luge.



## QUEENSTOWN

Monday 29 February



#### **ARROWTOWN**



## CYCLE ARROWTOWN TO GIBBSTON WINERY

Start your bonus leap day with a trip to Arrowtown village and a gentle wander around the historic Chinese goldminers' settlement, situated just to the north of Arrowtown, on the banks of Bush Creek.

Arrowtown is charming and quirky - a delightful gold rush village nestled below the beautiful peaks that surround the sparkling Arrow River.

The heart of its history is Buckingham Street, a procession of small town heritage buildings that stretch into a tree lined avenue of tiny miners' cottages. It is a wonderful place to browse and relax, enjoying the shopping, and soaking up Arrowtown's lively heritage.

Work up an appetite. Grab yourself a bicycle (pedal or electric) and take a peaceful and picturesque 20km meander down the Arrow River, zig-zagging across wooden bridges, through country lanes to the historic Kawarau Bridge and on to lunch.

Gibbston Valley Restaurant offers a fine Central Otago wine and food experience featuring seasonal selections that match the freshest ingredients with their range of award-winning wines.

Led by Executive Chef Mark Sage and his wife and Sous Chef Sue Sage, Gibbston Valley Wines create a harmonious blend of wine, food and place.

## QUEENSTOWN

## Monday 29 February



OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES; 4WD, SHOTOVER JET

#### Four Wheel Drive Safari with Nomad Safaris NZ\$150 - \$255pp\* (approx USD\$100-\$171pp\*)

Take a 4WD adventure visiting some of the most exclusive lookouts around Queenstown as well as Lord of the Rings filming locations with thrilling off-road driving and river crossing! No coaches, no crowds: just pure adventure.

# Jet boat adventure with Shotover Jet NZ\$135pp\*

(approx USD\$90\*)

Queenstown's world famous jet boat ride, Shotover Jet has thrilled millions of people since 1965. So take a spin in the iconic 'big red' through the spectacular Shotover River Canyons.

\* Please note that prices may vary depending on availability and numbers participating. Amount payable is in NZD. USD amount is estimated only based on exchange rate dated 29/10/15 of 0.67.



OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES; KAWARAU BRIDGE BUNGY, PARAGLIDING

#### Kawarau Bridge Bungy with AJ Hackett Bungy NZ\$195pp\* (approx USD\$131pp\*)

The ultimate Queenstown challenge is Bungy and go from nervous to completely elated in five seconds. 99% of people say it's the best thing they have ever done. If you've heard of Bungy, you've heard of Kawarau - home to the original 43-metre Bungy Jump. The world's first and most infamous of leaps is still going strong, with tens of thousands Bungying each year.

At the world's best-loved Bungy site, you can choose from a number of options; topple over backwards, forwards, with another person, spin or somersault. Kawarau Bridge Bungy is also the only Bungy in Queenstown where you can choose to bob above the water, touch it, or be fully immersed.

## Paragliding with Coronet Peak Tandem NZ\$199pp\*

(approx USD\$133pp\*)

A paragliding adventure beginning at the Coronet Peak Ski Field, the highest launch point for paragliders in Queenstown, is the experience of a lifetime.

Soaring above Queenstown's scenic Wakatipu Basin, soak in the scenery as you enjoy the ride. Your paraglide adventure begins when you take off from an obscure location and then fly for about 5 kilometres over farmland and a smattering of houses dotting the area, finally returning to land at a landing zone specially designated for paragliders.



#### DINNER AT BOTSWANA BUTCHERY

For our final meal together we head to Botswana Butchery. Located in Queenstown's historic precinct, with spectacular lake views and signature roaring log fires inside and out, Botswana Butchery is consistently rated as one of Queenstown's most popular and stylish restaurants.

With the emphasis on fun, innovative dining, Botswana Butchery's diverse menu is all about flavour, and has a strong focus on fine cut meats and locally sourced foods.





## REGISTRATION

### **REGISTRATION FEES**

Auckland – Conference Delegates	NZ\$880 (approx USD\$590*)		
Auckland – Companions	NZ\$730 (approx USD\$489*)		
Queenstown – Optional Excursion	NZ\$730 (approx USD\$489*)		

### **AUCKLAND**

#### Delegate registration fee includes:

- Ferry transport to/from Waiheke Island and lunch and wine tasting at Stonyridge Vineyard
- Dinner at FISH Seafood Restaurant
- Attendance at conference, including Maori cultural performance, morning tea and lunch
- Gala dinner and entertainment at The Sugar Club
- Transport to functions
- Breakfast Saturday and Sunday

Friday cocktail party hosted by Lowndes

#### Companion fee includes:

- Ferry transport to/from Waiheke Island and lunch and wine tasting at Stonyridge Vineyard
- Dinner at FISH Seafood Restaurant
- Maori cultural performance prior to conference
- Gala dinner and entertainment at The Sugar Club
- Transport to functions
- Breakfast Saturday and Sunday

Friday cocktail party hosted by Lowndes

### QUEENSTOWN

#### Registration fee includes:

- Lunch at Amisfield Winery
- Chef catered Kiwi barbecue at Lake Hayes
- Bike hire (pedal or electric)
- Lunch at Gibbston Winery
- Gondola ride up/down Bob's Peak
- Dinner at Botswana Butchery
- Transport to functions
- Breakfast Monday and Tuesday

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# **INBLF** ASIAN SUMMIT

#### 6TH ANNUAL INBLF ASIA-PACIFIC CONFERENCE 26 FEBRUARY - 1 MARCH 2016

## **REGISTRATION FORM**

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