

Public register of Climate Change Commissioners' interests as at 21 February 2023

This register outlines the interests held by the Board members of the Climate Change Commission (Commissioners), and any actions which apply in respect of the interests.

Section 5H of the Climate Change Response (Zero Carbon) Amendment Act outlines the matters which the Minister of Climate Change must have regard to before recommending appointment to the Commission, including members having particular skills, experiences and knowledge. This means it is not unusual for Commissioners to have interests that relate to the Commission's work. To manage these, the Commission has an interests policy and maintains a live register of interests.

This is a public version of the register. It does not include all historic interests. Some personal information, for example financial detail, is with-held to protect privacy. It is updated regularly to ensure all information is current and relevant.

Commissioner	Interest	Details	Action
Catherine Leining	Motu Economic and Public Policy Research	Policy Fellow, November 2013 – present. Ongoing projects include research and engagement under: (1) Low-Emission Future programme funded by the Aotearoa Foundation. (2) Climate Teams programme funded by the Environmental Defense Fund.	All Board members to be specifically advised of this interest to ensure that Board discussions are properly informed. If there are to be any tendering processes run by the Commission in which Motu participates, or any contractual negotiations between the Commission and Motu, Ms Leining will be excluded from all

		<p>(3) New Forests programme on improving incentives for native forests in New Zealand funded by New Forests Assets Management Pty Ltd (Australia).</p> <p>(4) Development of a Just Transitions Guide funded by MBIE and the Aotearoa Foundation.</p>	<p>discussions and decision-making. If the Commission considers any matters related to research and development funding that is likely to impact Motu, Ms Leining will advise the Chair and the Chair will consider whether it is necessary for any conditions to be put in place.</p>
Catherine Leining	Silver Lining Global Solutions	Sole proprietor consultant, 2010 – present.	Any relevant new contracts under SLGS to be disclosed by Ms Leining.
Catherine Leining	New Zealand Centre for Global Studies	Member of the Board of Trustees, November 2019 – present.	No further action is required.
Catherine Leining	Toha	Advisor, providing advice on Toha’s work in relation to climate mitigation and adaptation. Ms Leining will be paid a consulting fee.	<p>All Board members to be specifically advised of this interest to ensure that Board discussions are properly informed.</p> <p>Ms Leining will not engage directly with investors.</p> <p>Additionally, Ms Leining will advise the Chair if any circumstances arise that compromise the interest management conditions in her contract with Toha and/or if the forward working programme of the Commission creates new overlapping interests.</p>
Dr Andy Reisinger	Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change	<p>Member, 2015 – 2023.</p> <p>Ongoing projects include work related to the completion of the Working Group III report (mitigation) and Synthesis Report that are part of the IPCC’s Sixth Assessment Report.</p>	No further action is required.

Dr Andy Reisinger	Ministry for Primary Industries	Agricultural Greenhouse Gas Emissions Technical Advisory Group Member.	No further action is required.
Dr Andy Reisinger	Crown Law	<p>Independent Expert Witness (at the request of Crown Law) in the judicial review brought by Lawyers for Climate Action Incorporated against the Commission and the Minister for Climate Change.</p> <p>Judicial Review judgment released in December 2022; appeal lodged by Lawyers for Climate Action Incorporated.</p>	<p>All Board members to be specifically advised of this interest to ensure that Board discussions are properly informed.</p> <p>If the Chair considers that there is the potential for the Commission to take a position that departs from or contradicts Dr Reisinger evidence, Dr Reisinger will remain separate from discussions and decision-making in respect of any appeals from the judicial review.</p> <p>These conditions be reviewed in the event there are any successful applications to adduce further evidence in either the Court of Appeal or the Supreme Court.</p> <p>The conditions will lapse on the expiry of any appeal rights.</p>
Dr Andy Reisinger	Food and Agricultural Organisation of the United Nations	Technical Research Group Member.	No further action is required.
Dr Andy Reisinger	New Zealand Agricultural Greenhouse Gas Research Centre (previous role)	Deputy Director. This role concluded in 2018, however Dr Reisinger has had further employment in 2019 and 2020. The role was on salary and not tied to specific outputs.	No further action is required.

Dr Andy Reisinger	Forest and Bird	Member, 5+ years.	No further action is required.
Dr Andy Reisinger	Ministry for the Environment (previous role)	Principal Scientist. Dr Reisinger resigned from this position upon appointment.	No further action is required.
Dr Andy Reisinger	Antarctic Science Platform	Co-chair of the Science-Policy interface expert group of the Antarctic Science Platform. The contract term ends on 30 June 2023.	No further action is required.
Dr Andy Reisinger	New Zealand Agricultural Greenhouse Gas Research Centre	Contract to coordinate and guide the development of a national research and development plan for soil carbon. The contract term is 15 August 2022 – 31 March 2023. Remuneration by hourly rate.	All Board members to be specifically advised of this interest to ensure that Board discussions are properly informed. If the Commission provides advice on any matters related to research and development funding that is likely to impact the soil carbon work, Andy will advise the Chair and the Chair will consider whether it is necessary for any conditions to be put in place.
Dr Andy Reisinger	Toitū Envirocare	Peer review of Toitū's paper on removals accounting in the context of Toitū's organisation and product carbon certification programmes. Remuneration by hourly rate.	All Board members to be specifically advised of this interest, so as to ensure that Board discussions are properly informed.
Dr Judith Lawrence	National Institute of Water and Atmospheric Research	Fixed term contracts for	No further action is required.

		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Resilience Science Challenge “Enabling Coastal Adaptation”, October 2019 – September 2024. 2. Deep South Science Challenge “Adaptive Tools”, October 2020 – September 2023. 	
Dr Judith Lawrence	Christchurch City Council	Chair of the Peer Review Panel for Multi-Hazards and Liquefaction Study, October 2018 – 30 June 2023.	No further action is required.
Dr Judith Lawrence	Environmental Defence Society	Member 2015 – present.	No further action is required.
Dr Judith Lawrence	Ministry for the Environment	Revision of Coastal Hazards and Climate Change Guidance as part of Ministry for the Environment’s adaptation work programme. Contract ends 28 February 2023.	<p>All Board members to be specifically advised of this interest to ensure that Board discussions are properly informed.</p> <p>Judy may not be included in any review of that Coastal Hazards and Climate Change Guidance undertaken by the Commission.</p>
Dr Roderick Carr	ASB Bank Ltd	Director, 2018 – present.	All Board members to be specifically advised of this interest to ensure that Board discussions are properly informed.
Dr Roderick Carr	TPC Fund II LP	Limited Partner, February 2019 – present.	All Board members to be specifically advised of this interest to ensure that Board discussions are properly informed.
Dr Roderick Carr	Waingawa Forest Corporation Ltd	Director and Shareholder, 1982 - present. The entity does not hold New Zealand Units.	Dr Carr to notify the Minister of Climate Change if any New Zealand Units are obtained by or for this entity.

Dr Roderick Carr	Waingawa Land Company	Partner and Shareholder, 1983 - present. A family member is also a Partner. The entity does not hold New Zealand Units.	Dr Carr to notify the Minister of Climate Change if any New Zealand Units are obtained by or for this entity.
Dr Roderick Carr	New Zealand Units under the Emissions Trading Scheme	Dr Carr's brother holds New Zealand Units.	No further action is required.
Dr Roderick Carr	Governing Council of the ESG Exchange (an initiative of a not-for-profit organisation in South Africa)	Appointed as a Member of Governing Council of the ESG Exchange. The Council guides and oversees the ESG Exchange such that it fulfils its purpose and strategic objectives.	All Board members to be specifically advised of this interest to ensure that Board discussions are properly informed. If the Commission is required to report on environmental and social reporting this interest should be revisited to consider if any further conditions should apply.
Dr Tanira Kingi	Landcorp Farming Ltd (Pamu), subsidiaries and related entities	Director, 2020-2025. Landcorp Farming Ltd as a forester holds NZ Units.	If the Commission provides advice on pricing related to domestic units created for New Zealand's Emissions Trading Scheme, Tanira Kingi may not be involved in the oversight, preparation, or authorisation of that advice. In addition, all Board members are to be specifically advised of the Company's forestry and farming interests prior to the Board beginning its substantive work on the Agriculture Progress Assessment and the Report on Agriculture Assistance to ensure that Board discussions are properly informed.
Dr Tanira Kingi	Pukeroa Oruwhata Trust, subsidiaries and related entities	Director and Trustee, 2016-2026. The trust assets are in commercial property development.	All Board members to be specifically advised of this interest to ensure that Board discussions are properly informed.

Dr Tanira Kingi	Te Arawa Management Ltd	Director, 2013 – present. The company assets are in dairy, orchard, kiwifruit, and property.	All Board members to be specifically advised of this interest to ensure that Board discussions are properly informed.
Dr Tanira Kingi	Ngati Whakaue Tribal Lands, Committee of Management	Director and Member, 2011-present. NWTL as a forester holds NZ Units.	<p>If the Commission provides advice on pricing related to domestic units created for New Zealand's Emissions Trading Scheme, Tanira Kingi may not be involved in the oversight, preparation or authorisation of that advice.</p> <p>In addition, all Board members to be specifically advised of the Company's farming interests prior to Dr Kingi's involvement in the substantive work on the Agriculture Progress Assessment and the Report on Agriculture Assistance so as to ensure that Board discussions are properly informed.</p>
Dr Tanira Kingi	Ministry for Primary Industries, Science Advisor	Pouwhiro Taimatua (Māori Reference) Advisory Group member and Biological Emissions Reduction Science Accelerator (BERSA) Group member. 2021-present.	No further action is required.
Dr Tanira Kingi	Ministry for the Environment, Advisor	Overseer Redevelopment Advisory Group Member, 2021 – ongoing.	<p>No further action is required generally.</p> <p>However, if the Commission evaluates the efficacy of the greenhouse gas components of Overseer and if Dr Kingi had any involvement in that work, he will advise the Chair who will consider whether to put additional conditions in place.</p>

Dr Tanira Kingi	Ministry for Primary Industries, Research Consultant	Research programme lead for “Estimating the impacts of the climate change regulations on Māori farmers”. January 2022 – April 2022.	All Board members to be specifically advised of this interest to ensure that Board discussions are properly informed. In addition, if there are to be any future contracts of this nature, Dr Kingi will advise the Chair and the Chair will consider whether it is necessary for any additional conditions to be put in place.
Dr Tanira Kingi	New Zealand Agricultural Greenhouse Gas Research Centre	Research Consultant, July 2021 – June 2023. Research programme lead for “Takahuri Whenua: The Changing Land – Modelling Climate Change Mitigation Options for the Māori Pastoral Farmers”.	All Board members to be specifically advised of this interest to ensure that Board discussions are properly informed.
Dr Tanira Kingi	Our Land & Water NSC	Research Consultant, April 2021 - June 2023. Dr Kingi is a co-lead for “Pohewa Pae Tawhiti: Visualising Horizons” and lead for “Matatau Whenua: Knowledge of the Land”.	No further action is required.
Dr Tanira Kingi	Scion	Emeritus Scientist, 2021 - present. No remuneration.	No further action is required.
Dr Tanira Kingi	Iwi Chairs Climate Change Group	Te Arawa representative, November 2020 - present. No remuneration.	No further action is required.
Dr Tanira Kingi	He Waka Eke Noa steering group (previous role)	Steering group member, December 2019 - December 2021.	All Board members to be specifically advised of this interest to ensure that Board discussions are properly informed.

Dr Tanira Kingi	Te Arawa Arataua	Chair of Te Arawa Arataua (Te Arawa primary sector group) 2022 –2027. No remuneration.	All Board members to be specifically advised of this interest to ensure that Board discussions are properly informed.
Lisa Tumahai	Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu	Kaiwhakahaere (Chair), December 2016 - present. Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu holds New Zealand Units.	All Board members to be specifically advised of this interest. All Board members to be specifically advised of Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu’s farming interests prior to the Board beginning its substantive work on the Agriculture Progress Assessment and the Report on Agriculture Assistance. If the Commission provides advice on pricing related to domestic units created for New Zealand’s Emissions Trading Scheme, Ms Tumahai may not be involved in the oversight, preparation or authorisation of that advice.
Lisa Tumahai	Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu	Kaiwhakaheare (Chair) of Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu – Strategic Relationship with Meridian Energy Ltd.	Ms Tumahai will not be involved in any discussions or decisions regarding Meridian Energy Ltd. In addition to this condition all Board members to be specifically advised of this interest to ensure that Board discussions are properly informed.
Lisa Tumahai	Te Runanga o Ngāti Waewae	Executive Member and Trustee on the Board, 2001 – present.	All Board members to be specifically advised of this interest.
Lisa Tumahai	Pou Take Ahuarangi - Iwi Leaders Group	Co-Chair and Representative of Ngāi Tahu, May 2020 – present.	No further action is required.
Lisa Tumahai	Te Kura Taka Pini Ltd	Director and Co-Chair of the Board, December 2018 – present.	All Board members to be specifically advised of this interest to ensure that Board discussions are properly informed.
Lisa Tumahai	Arahura Holding Ltd	Director and Chair of the Board, 2008 – present.	No further action is required.

Lisa Tumahai	Te Ara Ponamu Ltd	Director on Governing Board, August 2020 – present.	No further action is required.
Lisa Tumahai	University of Canterbury	Board Member of Ngāi Tahu Research Centre, 2010 – present.	All Board members to be specifically advised of this interest to ensure that Board discussions are properly informed.
Lisa Tumahai	Māwhera Incorporation	Shareholder, approximately 2000 – present.	All Board members to be specifically advised of the Company’s farming interests prior to the Board beginning its substantive work on the Agriculture Progress Assessment and the Report on Agriculture Assistance so as to ensure that Board discussions are properly informed.
Lisa Tumahai	Regional Skills Leadership Group West Coast	Co-Chair, from September 2021.	No further action is required.
Lisa Tumahai	Bathurst Resources Ltd	Ms Tumahai’s husband is a director of Bathurst Resources Ltd.	All Board members to be specifically advised of this interest to ensure that Board discussions are properly informed.
Lisa Tumahai	New Zealand Institute for Minerals to Materials Research	Ms Tumahai’s husband is a director of New Zealand Institute for Minerals to Materials Research.	All Board members to be specifically advised of this interest. Furthermore, if Ms Tumahai or her husband personally receive research funds from NZIMMR, Ms Tumahai is to immediately advise the Chair.
Lisa Tumahai	Kaiwhakahaere (chair) of Ngāi Tahu	Ngāi Tahu have a formal agreement with the Minister of Conservation to review and raise concerns with recommendations of reclassification from the Stewardship Land panels.	All Board members to be specifically advised of this interest to ensure that Board discussions are properly informed.
Lisa Tumahai	Ministerial Advisory Board upholding treaty settlements	Chair, Ministerial Advisory Board advising ministers on any potential or real breaches to treaty settlements as	No further action is required.

	under the Resource Management Act	a result of RMA policy. June 2022 – June 2023.	
Lisa Tumahai	Nominating Panel Interim Ministerial Advisory Committee	Chair, Nominating Panel for the Interim Ministerial Advisory Committee. Running selection process and making recommendations to ministers on membership to the interim ministerial advisory committee. June 2022 – August 2022.	All Board members to be specifically advised of this interest to ensure that Board discussions are properly informed.
Professor James Renwick	Victoria University of Wellington	Professor of Physical Geography, 2012 – Present.	If the Commission provides advice on any matters related to research and development funding that is likely to impact Professor Renwick's role, responsibility or remuneration at Victoria University of Wellington, Professor Renwick will advise the Chair and the Chair will consider whether it is necessary for any conditions to be put in place.
Professor James Renwick	Ekos	Board Member, October 2019 – present.	If the Commission provides advice that is likely to affect Ekos financially, Professor Renwick will advise the Chair of this and the Chair will consider whether it is necessary for any conditions to be put in place.
Professor James Renwick	TrackZero Trust	Board Member and Trustee, March 2018 – present.	No further action is required.
Professor James Renwick	CH4 Global	Science Advisor, May 2019 – present.	If the Commission provides advice that is likely to affect CH4 Global financially, Professor Renwick will advise the Chair of this, and the Chair will consider whether it is necessary for any conditions to be put in place.

Professor James Renwick	Ministry for Business, Innovation and Employment and Antarctic Science Platform	Lead Principal Investigator on the Antarctic Science Platform Project 4 (Sea Ice and Carbon Cycle Feedbacks), April 2019 – June 2025.	No further action is required.
Professor James Renwick	Harper Collins	Author of a book on climate change for the general public. Estimated date of publication is 2023.	No further action is required.
Professor James Renwick	Green Party of Aotearoa New Zealand	Member, May 2005 – present.	All Board members to be specifically advised of this interest. In addition, Professor Renwick is to discuss with the Chair any proposal to make political comment or engage in significant political activity ahead of doing so. Guidance has been sought from the Public Service Commissioner. Expectations regarding political impartiality as outlined in The Code of Conduct for Crown Entity Board Members apply to this interest.
Professor James Renwick	Chapter Zero	Working Group Member, January 2022-present. No remuneration.	No further action is required.

