



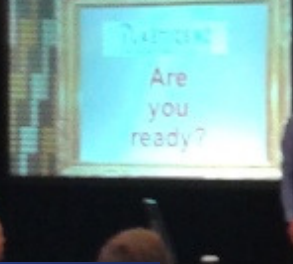
72nd Annual  
Conference  
19-20 May 2016  
Amora Hotel, Wellington

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Firstly, special thanks to our Conference Sponsors and Trade Tables participants who so strongly supported the 72nd Annual Conference

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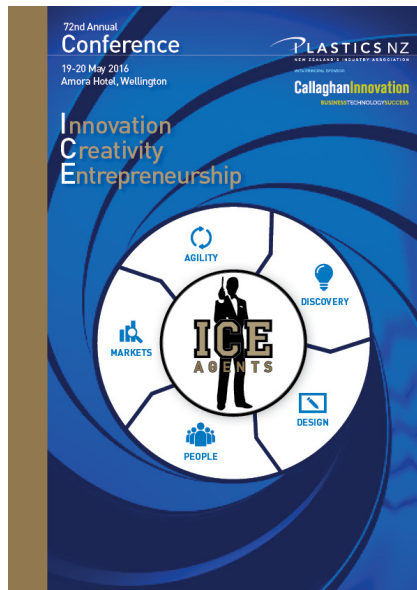
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*Key Reasons Delegates gave for  
Conference meeting their  
expectations*

*Networking*

*Education & Personal  
Development*

*Keeping Abreast of Industry  
Issues*

*Ways to improve my business*

*Update on PNZ activities*

*Socialising*

The 19th – 20th May 2016 saw the New Zealand Plastics Industry celebrate their 72nd Annual Conference in Wellington, New Zealand with 137 attendees.

The Auckland Branch were conference hosts for this exciting event, held at the stunning Amora Hotel in the heart of Wellington.

Special thanks must go to our valued Sponsors and Trade Table participants who make these events possible. Special mention to Callaghan Innovation who were our principal sponsor for this event



The conference theme was “Innovation, Creativity & Entrepreneurship (ICE)” - a theme built around developing the ICE Agents within your business. The delegates were able to take away from this event inspiration and learnings around building capabilities to grow and improve the innovation and creativity within themselves and their businesses that will be needed to meet future challenges. All gained some real nuggets they could take home to implement in their businesses and contribute to their ongoing success.

This theme was actively supported by the quality and expertise of the speakers — both professional speakers and those from successful companies. The Trade Tables also promoted a range of tangible benefit programs available to Plastics New Zealand Members.



*Ngahihi o te ra Bidois*

*“Ngahi was thoroughly engaging and inspirational”*



*Tony Alexander - BNZ*

*“Tony as always was his funny self and provided interesting data”*

*“Excellent Conference. Brilliant Speakers—well aligned with engaging tools to takeaway*

**In the Feedback surveys from Delegates, 100% considered that the quality and content of the 2 day programme was relevant to their business and personal development.**

Keynote Speakers impressed with their presentations on developing creativity and innovation cultures within themselves and their businesses, leaderships strategies & challenges and real world market commercialisation.

Delegates appreciated the updates on key Economic, Environmental, Industry Training (Competenz and Routsis) and R&D and Technology topics.

Copies of all available speakers presentations can be downloaded from the Members section of [www.plastics.org.nz](http://www.plastics.org.nz)

*“Found the whole time motivating and interesting. Very pleased I came”*

*“I’m in a role focussed on R&D and Innovation so highly relevant—plenty of take away tools and motivation*



*Dave Wild*

*Futurist —Smith & Wild*

*“Dave was amazing—my head is a blur!”*



*Rob Heebink—Gallagher Group Ltd*

*“I found Rob’s presentation to be particularly relevant to what I’d like to achieve in my organisation — worth the value of Conference itself!”*



During the Gala Evening on Friday 20th May, Competenz presented 2 special awards — Training Company of the Year and Apprentice of the Year

## Training Company of the Year



This years finalists for Training Company of the Year were Action Plastics Ltd and Elastomer Products Ltd (EPL).

Winners of the Award were Elastomer Products Ltd.

## Apprentice of the Year



This years finalists for Apprentice of the Year were Ben Ellis of Alto Packaging Ltd and Raul Berea of RX Plastics Ltd.

Winner of the Award was Ben Ellis of Alto Packaging Ltd.

## Life Membership

Eddie Devine (Jr) (Simaplas Ltd) was awarded a Life Membership to Plastics New Zealand for his outstanding contribution to the



Plastics Industry and particularly his valued service, enthusiasm and leadership of PNZ.

## KFair Winner

To encourage and support our members in the journey to innovate and grow the Industry, PNZ offered **all** Members the opportunity to Win a trip to KFair, in Dusseldorf Germany. This prize was drawn at Conference. Congratulations to Huhtamaki Henderson Ltd



## New President

At the AGM on Friday 20th May retiring President Nigel Donne was acknowledged and thanked for his leadership of PNZ over the past 2 years.

Mark Field (EPL) was elected as your new President. Mark is the CEO of EPL. He has had a long standing role on the South Island Branch and National Executive.







The "Spies & Villains" Costumed Gala Evening was held on Friday evening with Competenz as sponsor.

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A great evening was had by all as delegates caught up with old friends, networked and danced the night away to "The Hipnotics".

There was some truly creative and innovative thinking when it came to costumes.

