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### PROGRAMME

18:30	Drinks and canape service
19:15	<b>Welcome</b> Bronwen Horten, Founder NZBWN and Sara Fogarty, Kea, Regional Director UK & Europe
19:20	<b>Welcome from Shannon Austin</b> Deputy Head of Mission, New Zealand High Commission, London UK
19:25	Panel session and Q&A with Mary Fenwick, MC
20:30	Door prizes
20:40	Canape service and networking resume
21:30	Event close



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## **SPEAKERS**



#### **Shannon Austin**

Shannon joined the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (MFAT) in October 2007 as a Legal Adviser in the Trade Law Unit, working primarily on Free Trade Agreements, including negotiating the ASEAN-Australia-New Zealand Free Trade Agreement. She has had postings to the New Zealand High Commission in Kuala Lumpur and the New Zealand Embassy in Bangkok, the latter as Deputy Head of Mission. In Wellington, she has hold leadership roles in the Ministry's Consular Division, including support New Zealand's consular response during the COVID-19 pandemic, and Europe Division.

Shannon moved to the United Kingdom in November 2020 to take up her current role.

Prior to joining MFAT Shannon worked as a solicitor in the private sector in Wellington and London, and then with government department Land Information New Zealand (LINZ). She holds a Bachelor of Arts (First Class Honours) and Bachelor of Laws from Otago University.

Shannon lives with her partner, Craig Wadsworth, and their two children, Harrison and Poppy Wadsworth.



#### Sene Naoupu

Sene Naoupu is an international rugby player representing Ireland in Rugby 7's, 15's and Touch Rugby across nine World Series, four European Championships, and two World Cups. The double championship winning captain with Leinster Rugby, was selected to play for the Barbarians three times and has played in seven Women's Six Nations campaigns to date.

Off the sporting field, Sene heads global strategic projects and research for International Rugby Players and is a World Rugby Women's Advisory Committee appointee. She's led sport strategies for national governing bodies — both inside and outside rugby — Olympic federations and broadcasters. A champion of equal opportunity in sport and business, she also works with global brands to promote the visibility of women. Sene is a board director for national voluntary organisation Bodywhys, and undertaking a professional doctorate in elite performance with Dublin City University.

Sene was named as one of Ireland's 30 Most Influential women by the Irish Times and Ireland's Top 10 Unrelenting Sportswomen, as she continues to make a meaningful contribution to the game and the community around her.



#### **Mary Fenwick**

Executive coach, journalist and public speaker. Mary coaches top level teams and leaders in the private and public sectors, often focused on networking, influence or team dynamics.

As a journalist, she's worked in radio, television and print; and she writes both the agony aunt column, and one on psychology at work for the UK magazine Psychologies.

Mary joined the debating team as a way of avoiding most sport at school, but now strangely loves lifting weights. Originally from Alexandra, Central Otago; she has four very English adult children.

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#### Katie Sadleir

Katie Sadleir is the Commonwealth Games Federation (CGF) Chief Executive Officer. She joined the CGF from World Rugby, where she was General Manager of Women's Rugby.

A Commonwealth Games medallist and an Olympian, Katie has a wealth of experience as both an athlete and sports administrator.

She represented New Zealand in synchronised swimming at the Los Angeles 1984 Olympic Games and the Edinburgh 1986 Commonwealth Games, winning bronze in the later event. She served as the Assistant Chef de Mission New Zealand at the Victoria 1994 Commonwealth Games and has attended six editions of the Games.

Katie led the establishment of the New Zealand Academy of Sport network in the late 1990s before becoming General Manager of Sport and Recreation New Zealand (now Sport New Zealand) from 2000-2006.

She has held directorships and senior leadership positions with a number of organisations including High-Performance Sport New Zealand and the New Zealand Swimming Federation.



#### **Jonelle Price**

Born in Motueka in the South Island in 1980 Jonelle challenged the 'boundaries' right from the beginning. Despite being from a non-horsey family she worked extra jobs after school and pursued her dreams with various ponies before committing to a law degree at uni. That wasn't enough for Jonelle who with her then boyfriend, Tim Price, ventured across the world to the UK with the aim of competing at Badminton horse trials with a horse she had produced herself from scratch.

That horse, Mazetto, turned out to be good enough to get Jonelle the traveling reserve slot for Athens Olympics in 2004. In 2012 Jonelle was on the bronze medal winning NZ event team in London and in 2016 she and now husband Tim made history by being the first husband and wife to represent NZ on the same team in Rio de Janeiro.

Tokyo Olympics in 2021 saw Jonelle place the best Kiwi rider in the top 12. Now a mother to Otis, 4 and Abel, 2, Jonelle has fought hard to regain her position in the World Rankings and has 5 star wins at Badminton and Luhmühlen under her belt. Jonelle and her husband Tim are a leading and dynamic force in the world of Eventing but are so proud of their Kiwi roots.



#### **Rebecca Smith**

Rebecca Smith captained the New Zealand football team through a World Cup and Olympics. Three time champion with VfL Wolfsburg in the UEFA Champions League, German League, and German Cup Winners. Rebecca has degrees in economics, Spanish, an MBA and masters in psychology and speaks four languages.

She managed the FIFA Women's World Cups from 2013 to 2018 and is the Venue Director for UEFA in the UEFA Women's Champions League with the top European women's clubs. Rebecca founded Crux Sports which consults with some of the world's leading stakeholders in football including global brands, international media platforms, Al technology, esports, and directly supporting some of the world's top players.

Rebecca is the host of the newly launched multi-platform podcast called The Players, where she hosts a laid-back chat with the biggest names and personalities in women's football.

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