



Dr. Lyla June Johnston
Indigenous Scholar, Musician, and Community Organiser Diné Tah - (Navajo Nation, USA)

Architects of Abundance: Native American Regenerative Food Systems Design

Dr. Lyla June Johnston (aka Lyla June) is a human ecologist, public speaker, poet, singer-songwriter, and community organizer of Diné (Navajo), Tsétséhestáhesé (Cheyenne) and European lineages. Her multi-genre presentation style has engaged audiences across the globe towards personal, collective and ecological healing. She blends her study of Human Ecology at Stanford, graduate work in Indigenous Pedagogy, and the traditional worldview she grew up with to inform her perspectives, solutions and music. Her doctoral research focused on the ways in which pre-colonial Indigenous Nations shaped large regions of Turtle Island (aka the Americas) to produce abundant food systems for humans and non-humans.



Helen Clark
Patron: Helen Clark Foundation Patron and active member of various international organisations

Panel Discussion Moderator

Helen Clark is a respected global leader in sustainable development, gender equality and international co-operation. She served three successive terms as Prime Minister of New Zealand between 1999 and 2008. While in government, she led policy debate on a wide range of economic, social, environmental and cultural issues, including sustainability and climate change. She then became the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) Administrator for two terms from 2009 to 2017, the first woman to lead the organisation. She was also the Chair of the United Nations Development Group, a committee consisting of the Heads of all UN funds, programmes and departments working on development issues.



Sir Ashley Bloomfield
Professor, School of Population Health, The University of Auckland (Aotearoa, New Zealand)

Green Infrastructure and Public Health: from Research to Action

Sir Ashley Bloomfield, former Director-General of Health in New Zealand (2018-2022), is now a Professor at the University of Auckland, where he teaches public health and leadership and is establishing a new Institute for impactful research. He has also collaborated with the World Health Organization and is a Chartered Member of the Institute of Directors. In 2023, he was knighted as a Knight Companion of the New Zealand Order of Merit for his services to public health.



Kingi Makoare
Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei (Aotearoa, New Zealand)

Kia Tawhiwhi ki ngā Atua - Indigenous Infrastructure as a way forward

Dedicated to the empowerment and advancement of my iwi and communities. Māori cultural consultant and advisor with experience in facilitation, workshops, mediation and project management. Fluent in English and Te Reo Māori with a strong foundation in Māori performing arts. Cultural host, narrator and educator passionate in sharing Māori history and tikanga to gain a better shared understanding leading to great outcomes on key projects that advance Aotearoa.



Rt Hon Simon Upton
Parliamentary Commissioner for the Environment (Aotearoa, New Zealand)

Green Spaces and the Changing Form of Urban Aotearoa New Zealand

Simon Upton, currently in his second five-year term as Parliamentary Commissioner for the Environment, was first sworn in on 16 October 2017. A Fellow of the Royal Society of New Zealand and a Rhodes Scholar, he has degrees from the University of Auckland and Oxford University. Upton served as a Member of Parliament from 1981 to 2000, holding various ministerial portfolios, and later worked with the OECD in Paris before returning to New Zealand for private sector roles and eventually resuming a full-time position with the OECD as Environment Director.



Rob Stokes
Urbanist, Chair Net Zero Cities (Sydney, Australia)

Operationalising Sustainability + Decarbonising Infrastructure

Rob Stokes, passionate about people and places, has extensive experience in governance, urban planning, and educational leadership. He served as New South Wales Minister for Infrastructure, Cities, and Active Transport from December 2021 to March 2023 and was a member of the New South Wales Legislative Assembly from 2007 to 2023. With a mission to create positive social and environmental impacts, he holds a PhD in Environment and Planning Law, an MSc in Geography, a Graduate Diploma in Legal Practice, and is a Life Fellow of the Planning Institute of Australia.



Julia Watson
Designer, Academic, and Author (New York, USA)

Lo—TEK, Imaginings of Ancestral Infrastructures

Julia Watson is a renowned expert in traditional nature-based innovations, combining her training in architecture, landscape architecture, and urban design. She is known for her award-winning design work, best-selling books, and influential TED talk. Her 2019 monograph, “Lo-TEK Design by Radical Indigenism,” explores the concept of Lo-TEK, derived from local and traditional ecological knowledge. Her upcoming book, “Lo-TEK Water,” co-authored with Indigenous experts, focuses on water-responsive infrastructures. The “Ancestral Futures” initiative includes books, curriculum, knowledge sharing, and various projects integrating Indigenous wisdom for climate resilience.



Wenchian Shi
Partner, Architect, and Urban Planner at MVRDV

MVRDV: Green Infrastructure Projects and Nature Based Solutions

Wenchian Shi, is a Partner at MVRDV and the leader of its Asia Studio. Since joining MVRDV in 2004, Shi has spearheaded numerous innovative projects across Asia, including the Tianjin Binhai Library, Seoullo 7017 Skygarden, The Imprint, Tainan Spring, and the Idea Factory. Shi’s career began at OMA, contributing to the CCTV Headquarters in Beijing. Currently, she oversees projects like Irwell Hill Residences in Singapore and the Women and Children Center in Shenzhen. Recognized with the Spotlight Award of the Female Frontier Awards in 2022, Shi will share her vision for sustainable urban development.



Eamon Nathan
Pou Manatū - General Manager at Reconnecting Northland (Whangārei, Aotearoa, New Zealand)

Exploring Māori Principles as a Solution to Biodiversity, Climate Resilience and Values-based Regenerative Local Economies

Eamon joined Reconnecting Northland in 2016 as the Pou Manatu (General Manager), bringing a passion for indigeneity and a background in industry training, research, and community-led initiatives. He focuses on creative and experimental means to build community, emphasizing leadership that acknowledges the mana of nature. Eamon, of diverse whakapapa including Te Roroa, Ngāti Torehina, Ngāti Arera, Crete, Scottish, and Irish descent, is committed to creating cohesive and resilient communities in Te Tai Tokerau.



Dusty Gedge
Green Infrastructure Professional, Speaker, Nature Conservationist (London, United Kingdom)

A review of UK's Nature Restoration Law and Delivering Green Roofs for Biodiversity

Dusty Gedge is a leading green roof consultant in the UK, who founded Livingroofs.org in 2004 to promote green roofs in the built environment. He has extensive experience in designing innovative green roofs and has been involved in the London Biodiversity Partnership since 1997. Dusty served as President of the European Federation of Green Roof and Walls Associations (EFB) and now acts as its International Ambassador. With a background in ornithology and ecology, he combines his love of nature with his work, also enjoying wildlife photography.



Prof Reid Coffman
Kent State University (Cleveland, USA)

Biological Diversity, Ecomimicry, + Roles of New Building Forms

Dr. Coffman is a global leader in living architecture, whose research and publications have established green roofs as constructed ecosystems. He has expanded North America’s scientific publication capacity and developed an academic network for preprofessional education in the green roof profession. Currently, he holds multiple leadership roles, including North American Chair of GRHC’s Regional Academic Centers of Excellence, Executive Director of the GOLA Center, and Director of the NEDLab, while also serving as a Professor at Kent State University.

Pre-Congress Welcome Function | Monday 2 September 2024

Time	Programme	Venue
17:00-18:30	WGIC2024 Welcome Function and Mihi Whakatau	Owen G. Glenn Building (OGGB) Foyer, Business School, University of Auckland, 12 Grafton Road, Auckland 1010

Time	1. Main Theatre F&P Auditorium (RM 260-115)	2. Theatre OGGB4 (Rm 260-073)
7:30	Registration in foyer of OGGB	
8:15	Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei karanga / call delegates into the Main theatre	
8:30	MC: Mike McRoberts Welcome Mihi Whakatau + Congress Opening Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei (Aotearoa, New Zealand)	
8:40	Congress Address: Mike McRoberts, Journalist + Te Ao Māori Editor, National Business Review (Aotearoa, NZ)	
8:45	Zoë Avery, University of Auckland + Design for Nature + The Urbanist (Aotearoa, NZ) Prof. Dr. Manfred Köhler, WGIN (Germany)	
8:50	Deputy Mayor Address: Desley Simpson, Deputy Mayor Auckland Council (Aotearoa, NZ)	
9:00	Keynote 1: Kia Tawhiwhi ki ngā Atua Indigenous Infrastructure as a way forward Kingi Makoare, Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei (Aotearoa, NZ)	
9:30	Keynote 2: Green Infrastructure and Public Health: from Research to Action Sir Ashley Bloomfield, Professor, School of Population Health, The University of Auckland (Aotearoa, NZ)	
10:00	Keynote 3: Architects of Abundance: Native American Regenerative Food Systems Design Dr. Lyla June Johnston, Indigenous scholar, human ecologist and community organiser, Diné Tah – (Navajo Nation, USA)	
10:30	COFFEE BREAK/AFTERNOON TEA - WHATI KAWHE/PAMANAWA (EXHIBITION SPACE)	
11:00	Keynote 4: Operationalising Sustainability + Decarbonising Infrastructure Rob Stokes, Urbanist, Chair Net Zero Cities (Sydney, Australia)	
11:30	Keynote 5: Green Spaces and the Changing Form of Urban Aotearoa New Zealand Rt Hon Simon Upton, Parliamentary Commissioner for the Environment (Aotearoa, NZ)	
12:00	Q+A Panel Discussion Moderator: Helen Clark, Patron, Helen Clark Foundation (Aotearoa, NZ)	
12:30	LUNCH BREAK - TINA (EXHIBITION SPACE)	
	Regeneration + Biodiversity + Policy MC/Chair: Mike McRoberts	Technology Chair: AP Dr. Manfredo Manfredini
14:00	Public Policy Best Practices for Supporting Green Roofs from North America Steven W. Peck, President, Green Roofs for Healthy Cities (Toronto, Canada)	i-Canopy-Dedicated Canopy Monitoring for Vertical Greening Anouk De Brock, PhD Candidate, University of Antwerp (Belgium)
14:20	Urban Ngahere + Biodiversity Framework: for People and Nature Zoë Avery, Assoc. Director of Design, University of Auckland + The Urbanist + Design for Nature (Aotearoa, NZ)	Embodied Carbon Database for Landscape Hard Works in Taiwan Yi-Jung Lin, Assistant Professor, Taiwan Green Roof & Green Wall Association (Taiwan)
14:40	EU Policies to Support Faster Integration of Urban Green Infrastructure Jure Šumi, Treasurer, World Green Infrastructure Network (Škofja Loka, Slovenia)	Detecting Urban Tree Species in TLS LIDAR 3D Point Clouds using AI Technologies Piotr Wężyk, Professor, University of Agriculture (Krakow, Poland)
15:00	Infrastructure for Biodiversity in Colombia: A roadmap to COP16 Prof. Andres Ibanez, Director, School of Architecture and Urban Design, National University of Colombia (Colombia)	Green Facades and Vertical Root Wastewater Treatment Systems: Biodiversity + Heat Islands reduction in Industrial Areas of Europe Jan Musil, CEO, LIKO-S Interenational (Czech Republic)
15:20	COFFEE BREAK/AFTERNOON TEA - WHATI KAWHE/PAMANAWA (EXHIBITION SPACE)	
	Building Neighbourhoods MC/Chair: Mike McRoberts	Built environment and urban form Chair: AP Dr. Kai Gu
15:50	Singapore's Journey of Connecting People and Nature in the Urban Environment Nur Faezah Mohd Sanif, Deputy Director, National Parks Board (Singapore)	Green walls in Polish Cities on the example of Wrocław Dr Marta Weber-siwirska, President, Polish Green Roof Assoc. + Professor, Wrocław University of Environmental + Life Science (Poland)
16:10	Green Infrastructure in the light of Sustainable Development Goals and the Application into New Planning Tools Prof. Dr. Manfred Köhler, WGIN (Germany)	Pedestrians' Receptivity to Climate-friendly Street Open Space Design: Socio-economic Perspective Prof. Yu-Hsin Tsai, National Chengchi University (Taipei, Taiwan)
16:30	Out of Thin Air: The Over Rail Park Breathing Life into a Community Michael Barnett, Director, Arcadia Landscape Architecture (Sydney, Australia)	The Green Gap: Socioeconomic Disparities in Urban GI Dr. I-Ting Chuang, Director of Urban Design, University of Auckland (Aotearoa, NZ)
16:50	2024 Top 10 List of Hot Trends in Living Green Architecture: Climate Action Drives Design Linda S. Velazquez, Founder + Publisher, Greenroofs.com (Florida, USA)	Greening Our Network: Implementing Auckland Buzz Stops Clare Thorne, Director, Green Roofs NZ (Aotearoa, NZ)
17:10	CONGRESS DAY 1 CLOSES	
18:30	WGIC2024 GALA DINNER + WORLD GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE AWARDS (The Dome, Auckland Museum, Auckland Domain Pukekawa, Parnell – please enter Museum via southern entrance)	

3. Theatre Case Room 2 (Rm 260-057)	4. Theatre Case Room 3 (Rm 260-055)	5. Theatre OGGB5 (Rm 260-051)
Vertical Greening Chair: Dr. Cathy Bebelman	Water - Wai Chair: Dr. I-Ting Chuang	Built Environment + Urban Form Chair: AP Dr. Lee Beattie
Key Conditions affecting Vertical Greening Performance Marie De Goeve, PhD Student, University of Antwerp (Belgium)	Green Infrastructure for Flood Resilience Mehrafarin Takin, PhD Student, University of Technology Sydney (Australia)	Roofs Aren't Always Greener Down Under Travis Holmes, Sales Director, Sempergreen (Melbourne, Australia)
Removal of VOCs by Small Indoor Green Wall Stephen Matheson, PhD Student, University of Technology Sydney (Australia)	Our Rain Garden Sucks?!: Investigating Solutions Julia Watson, R+D Engineer, Stormwater 360 (Aotearoa, NZ)	A Roof for the Land and its People: Kōrero (stories) from Aotearoa NZ Matthew Howes, Stormwater 360 (Aotearoa, NZ)
Vertical Greenery and Open Spaces in Tall Buildings: A Strategy for Improving Urban Sustainability Aslan Jonoubi, Islamic Azad University (Shiraz, Iran)	Auckland Water Strategy 2022-2050: Strengths and Challenges for Green Infrastructure Uptake Olivia Blanchette, Senior Analyst, Auckland Council (Aotearoa, NZ)	Reverse the Perspective! Peter Dezsényi, President, Hungarian Green Roof and Wall Association (Hungary)
Challenges in Implementing and Maintaining the Tallest and Largest Green Walls Hema Kumar, Vice President, WGIN (India)	Evaluating Nature-based Solutions for Flood Mitigation in New Zealand Dr James Griffiths, Group Manager, NIWA (Aotearoa, NZ)	Pioneering Sustainable Greening Mr Geoff Heard, Manging Director, Fytogreen Australia (Melbourne, Australia)
Urban Strategies Chair: AP Dr. Lee Beattie	Technology + Resilience Chair: AP Dr. Manfredo Manfredini	Environment + Biodiversity Chair: Dr. Robyn Simcock
Designing a Regenerative Spatial Strategy for Monterrey: Landscape First for a Green Metropolitan Prof. Rob Roggema, Tecnológico De Monterrey (Mexico)	Modelling the Effects of Land use and Urban Forestry on Air Pollution across a Cityscape Ashley Douglas, UTS (Sydney, Australia)	Creating Beautifully Functional Nature-based Infrastructure Evidenced by Science Caitlyn Johnstone, NbS Scientist, Royal Botanic Garden Edinburgh (Scotland)
Regeneration of an Urban Landscape: Working Together Restoring Ngahere in Ngaa Hau Maangere Jenny Chilcott, Ngahere Lead, Kāinga Ora + Sophia Olo-Whaanga, Te Ahiwaru (Aotearoa, NZ)	Thriving in Extremes: The Future of Darwin Urban Greenery under Climate Challenges Dr Natthanij Soonsawad, Scientist, CSIRO (Australia)	Whangārei's Hundertwasser Afforested Roof Dr Joost de Bruin, Director, Hundertwasser Art Centre (Whangārei, Aotearoa, NZ)
NbS for Climate Change Mitigation in Auckland Adrien Bouzonville, Lead Climate Mitigation Advisor, Auckland Council (Aotearoa, NZ)	Development and Testing of a complete package for Bifacial PV Systems on Green Roofs Andreas Dreisiebner, CEO, GrowSolutions (Switzerland)	Incorporating Sustainable Invertebrate Management Dr Lizzy Lowe, Vice-Chancellor's Research Fellow, Edith Cowan University (Perth, Australia)
The Pathway to Green Infrastructure in Auckland Greer Lees, Infrastructure Strategy Manager, Auckland Council (Aotearoa, NZ)	Urban Heat Island Mitigation with Digital Tools & GI Matthew Blaikie, Associate Principal, Climate And Sustainability Leader NZ, ARUP (Aotearoa, NZ)	Integrating Native Plants, Water-Sensitive Design and Education at Auckland Botanic Gardens Rebecca Stanley, Principal Advisor, Auckland Council (NZ)

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8:45	Entry to Main theatre	
9:00	MC: Mike McRoberts Welcome Congress Day 2: Associate Professor Dr. Lee Beattie , Head of School, Te Pare School of Architecture and Planning, University of Auckland (Aotearoa, NZ)	
9:05	Keynote 6: Biological Diversity, Ecomimicry, + Roles of New Building Forms Prof Reid Coffman , @Kent State University (Cleveland, USA)	
9:30	Keynote 7: Lo—TEK, Imaginings of Ancestral Infrastructures Julia Watson , Designer, Activist, Academic, and Author (New York, USA)	
10:00	Keynote 8: Exploring Māori Principles as a Solution to Biodiversity, Climate Resilience and Values-based Regenerative Local Economies Eamon Nathan , Pou Manatū General Manager, Reconnecting Northland (Whangārei, NZ)	
10:30	Keynote 9: A review of UK's Nature Restoration Law and Delivering Green Roofs for Biodiversity Dusty Gedge , Ambassador, European Federation of Green Roof and Living Wall Associations (London, United Kingdom)	
11:00	COFFEE BREAK/AFTERNOON TEA - WHATI KAWHE/PAMANAWA (EXHIBITION SPACE)	
	Risk + Resilience MC/Chair: Mike McRoberts	Resilience + Health + Food Chair: AP Dr. Kai Gu
11:30	A New Trajectory for Infrastructure Geoff Cooper , Acting Chief Executive, New Zealand Infrastructure Commission, Te Waihanga (Aotearoa, NZ)	Elevated Engagement: Rooftop Farms + Their Role in the Urban Ecosystem Pete Ellis , @Recover Green Roofs (Massachusetts, USA)
11:50	Auckland's Future Economy, Jobs and Skills in a Changing Climate Dr Parin Rafiei-Thompson , Head of Climate Innovation & Sustainability, Tātaki Auckland Unlimited (Aotearoa, NZ)	Rotokauri Hybrid Wetland Biofilters Caleb Clarke , Director, Morphum Environmental (Aotearoa, NZ)
12:10	Green Infrastructure + Urban Form Hon Julie Anne Genter , Green Member of Parliament for Rongotai, Wellington (Aotearoa, NZ)	I am This Hospital, and It is Killing Me! David V Brasfield , Board Member + Secretary, World Green Infrastructure Network (Oslo, Norway)
12:30	Paving the Way: TNFD for Transport in Auckland Dr Cathy Bebelman , Chief Scientist: Head of Science and Sustainability, Auckland Transport (Aotearoa, New Zealand)	Effects of Urban Green Space on Residents' Mental Health: The Mediating Role of Natural Connectedness Chengcheng Yin , PhD Student, Victoria Uni (NZ)
12:50	LUNCH BREAK - TINA (EXHIBITION SPACE)	
	Technology + Green Infrastructure MC / Chair: Mike McRoberts	Urban Strategies Chair: Dr. I-Ting Chuang
14:20	Using Pinegrow Wood Fibre in Urban Growing Environments Dr Brian Jackson , @Professor, Horticultural Science, North Carolina State University (North Carolina, USA)	Mimicry and Responsiveness in Urban Design: A case of a Public Open Space Development Dr Huraera Jabeen , @Urban.co.re (Bangladesh)
14:40	The Only Source of Knowledge is Experience. We Share Them. Jan Rapan , Vice President, International Climate Adaptation Research Institute ICARI (Slovakia)	Planning and Prioritising Green Infrastructure Networks for Multiple Functions Kim Markwell , Manager, Alluvium (Australia)
15:00	Maximising your Green Investment: Selected International Case Studies Dr Gayle Souter-Brown , IFLA Special Envoy to International Society for Urban Health, International Federation of Landscape Architects (Christchurch, NZ)	Why Cities Need to Find their Green Factor Gail Hall , President, Australasian Green Infrastructure Network (Australia)
15:20	Learning and Leading: New York's Evolving Green Infrastructure Journey and Its Lessons for Auckland Alan Burchell , Principal, Urban Strong (New York, USA)	5 Yrs Design + Development of GI: Kempegowda Airport Jahir Hussain Basheer , Landscape Advisor, Bangalore International Airport Limited (Karnataka, India)
15:40	COFFEE BREAK/AFTERNOON TEA - WHATI KAWHE/PAMANAWA (EXHIBITION SPACE)	
	Biodiversity MC / Chair: Mike McRoberts	Building Neighbourhoods Chair: Dr. Wendy Liu
16:10	Wild West End: The Transformative Potential of Partnerships Ali Pulham , Landscape and Design Lead, Arup (Aotearoa, NZ)	Green Infrastructure: Western Waiheke; A mature landscape-scale prototype Dennis Scott , D J Scott Assoc LA (Aotearoa, NZ)
16:30	Connecting People with Place-specific Nature in Cities Prevents Perverse Outcomes Dr Margaret Stanley , Professor, Faculty of Science, University of Auckland (NZ)	People, Place and Nature-Regenerative GI Sara Zwart , Principal Regenerative Design, Eke Panuku Development Auckland (Aotearoa, NZ)
16:50	Building Biodiversity into Green Roofs: Key Considerations and Limitations Prof. Nicholas Williams , Urban Hort/Natural Resource, School of Agriculture, Food and Ecosystem Sciences, University of Melbourne (Australia)	Greening Western Sydney: Establishing 40% Canopy Dr Mariana Dias Baptista , Sustainable Infrastructure Scientist, CSIRO (Canberra, Australia)
17:10	Keynote 10: MVRDV: Green Infrastructure Projects and Nature Based Solutions Wenchie Shi , @Architect + Urbanist + Planner + Partner at MVRDV (Rotterdam, Netherlands)	
17:40	WGIN Summary of Awards for 2024 + Review of 2024 + handover World Congress Country 2025 Zoë Avery , UoA + DfN + The Urbanist (Aotearoa, NZ) Prof. Dr. Manfred Köhler , WGIN (Germany)	
18:00	Poroporoaki - Closing Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei (Aotearoa, NZ)	
18:10	CLOSE OF DAY 2	

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Future Ready Landscape + Fostering Intergenerational Equality Michelle Cramer , Leader, GHD (Australia)	What Iwi led Projects can Teach Us about GI Mervyn Kerehoma + Jessica Hiscock , Regenerative Practices Lead, Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei (Aotearoa, NZ)	Right to the City: Fostering Urban Sustainability Yuan Liu , University of Shanghai University (China) Dr Manfredo Manfredini , University of Auckland (NZ)
Aotearoa New Zealand's Urban Forest Futures Syliva Tapuke , Senior Scientist, Scion (Rotorua, Aotearoa, NZ)	Concrete Streams to Green Dreams: Te Auaunga Awa Johnathan Chambers , Sustainability + Resilience Manager, Aurecon (Aotearoa, NZ)	If You Look After the Lake, It will Look After You Dr. Marise Stuart , Lake Omapere Trust (Aotearoa, NZ)
BiodiverSYDNEY-Tools for Change Barbara Schaffer , Principal Landscape Architect, Government Architect New South Wales (Australia)	Local Government Insights into Dharawal Aboriginal Engagement Mitchell Clark , Campbelltown City Council (Australia)	Te Ao Māori + Design Soltice Morrison , Pou Rautaki Māori, Aurecon (Aotearoa, NZ)
Urban Jungles in Central Auckland Mark van Kaathoven , Director, Urban Jungles (Aotearoa, NZ)	Getting Green Infrastructure Right: A Transdisciplinary Approach Luli Castello , UTS (Australia)	Monitoring and Protecting Auckland's Vegetation Ayushi Kachhara , Auckland Council (Aotearoa, NZ)
Biodiversity Chair: Dr. Wendy Liu	Water - Wai + Resilience Chair: AP Dr. Kai Gu	Building Neighbourhoods Chair: AP Dr. Manfredo Manfredini
Ecological Build Zones: Leveraging GI to Build a more Compact City? Ed Clayton , Morphum Environmental (Aotearoa, NZ)	Sustainable Water Treatment Solutions: Lake Rotorua Miss Phoebe Tinning , Programme Manager- Sustainable Land And Water, Syrinx Environmental NZ Ltd (NZ)	Residential Red Zone: Creating Green Infrastructure out of a Natural Disaster Hugh Nicholson , Managing Director, UrbanShift (NZ)
Greening the Urban Canopy: a Decadal Exploration of Living Roofs with NZ Native Plants Emma Simpkins , Auckland Council (Aotearoa, NZ)	Structural Soil Tree Pits: How Much Good can this NbS provide to the Urban Environment? Karine Borne , Water Quality Scientist, NIWA (Aotearoa, NZ)	A New Strategy for Urban Spaces Leigh Nicholson , Managing Director, Hanging Gardens (Aotearoa, NZ)
Irrigation + Microbial Communities in Green Walls Luowen Lyu , Research Engineer, School of Civil and Environmental Engineering, UTS (Australia)	Agro Pontino Seconda Bonifica: Flood Risk GI Dr Matthew Bradbury , Associate Professor, Unitec Institute of Technology (Aotearoa, NZ)	Sustainable Gardening: Building Community and Place for Retailers David Frew , Technical Adviser, Outside In (NZ)
City Scale Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services Assessment in Moss City, Norway Karen Creagh , Awa Environmental (Aotearoa, NZ)	Expanding Auckland's Blue-Green Networks Konrad Heinemann , Blue-Green Network Programme Manager, Auckland Council (Aotearoa, NZ)	The Innovative 4-D Monitoring of Urban Trees Piotr Wężyk , Professor, University of Agriculture (Krakow, Poland)
Green Infrastructure Chair: Dr. I-Ting Chuang	Biodiversity + Climate Chair: AP Dr. Kai Gu	Urban Strategies Chair: AP Dr. Manfredo Manfredini
Lightweight Green Roof Design for Ecosystem Services Robert Griffith , CEO, Evolvment Pty Ltd (Australia)	Building Resilient and Thriving Communities - let Nature be our Inspiration Justine Bennett , GHD (Aotearoa, NZ)	Nature-Friendly Construction: Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area Jing Wang , South China University of Technology (China)
Navigating towards Regenerative Infrastructure Dr Kamiya Varshney , Sustainability Capability Programme Lead, Tonkin + Taylor	Equipping Professionals to Shape a Greener Future Kobus Mentz , Director, Urbanism+ (Aotearoa, NZ)	Ecological Corridors for Auckland's Urban Areas Charlotte Drayton , Landscape Architect, Resilio (Aotearoa, NZ)
Beyond the Price Tag: Unveiling the Full Value of Stormwater Management Using GI Sue Ira , Director, Koru Environmental Consultants (NZ)	Urban Landscape Engineers: Combined degrees promote Holistic Climate Adaptation Strategies Assoc Prof Leila Tolderlund , Copenhagen Uni, (Denmark)	Adapting with Nature: the Regenerative role of Green Infrastructure in Helping Communities Helen Kerr , Landscape Architect, Isthmus (NZ)