

Seeking new Trustees

The Ākina Foundation is growing social enterprise across New Zealand. Our mission is to grow the emerging New Zealand social enterprise sector by:

- Activating talent, raising awareness and building capability for social enterprise
- Supporting social enterprises to grow and increase their impact, and
- Developing new market and investment opportunities for social enterprise.

Our vision is for a sustainable, prosperous and inclusive New Zealand and world.

Our name, Ākina, is a Māori word meaning a call for bold action. It also conveys a spirit of watchful and active encouragement, helping others to identify pathways through their challenges.

We believe social entrepreneurs and social enterprise represents a powerful opportunity to build a new economy that regenerates the environment and creates social foundations for people to thrive.

For more information on Ākina, please visit our website www.akina.org.nz and the Impact Investment Network at www.impactinvestingnetwork.nz

In September last year, Ākina hosted the extremely successful Social Enterprise World Forum 2017 in Christchurch.

Soon after, we announced our 3-year partnership with Government, to develop the social enterprise sector in Aotearoa.

As we move into this period of strategy and growth, we are looking for two new Trustees to join our high-calibre Board. These are volunteer roles and have a number of responsibilities including:

- Providing governance for the Foundation
- Contributing to strategy and policy development
- Contributing to selected sub-committees activities taking responsibility for finance and HR
- Supporting and overseeing the work of the Chief Executive

We would be keen to hear from anyone who is interested in joining the Board and who has some of the following attributes:

- Sound experience in governance and leadership roles
- Strong strategic thinking and scenario assessment abilities
- Financial, strategic and political acumen
- Experience awareness of social enterprise, social finance, pressing social and environmental issues, and enabling complex social change
- Wide networks within the Aotearoa/New Zealand:
 - community and voluntary sector
 - corporate and professional sector
 - philanthropic and investment sector.
- Committed to the Foundation's mission, values, and objectives
- Awareness of Treaty of Waitangi issues.

If you are attracted by this kaupapa and truly have the time available, please contact Louise Aitken, CEO before applying for more information, ceo@akina.org.nz.

Deadline: 30 April 2018