## Crown Boards and Committees administered by Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment

Wednesday 20 September 2023 12.00 – 1.00pm

Online learning event











#### Karakia Timatanga

Korihi pō

Korihi ao

Hei tūria ki te matahau nō Tū

No Tū te winiwini

No Tū te wanawana

Nō Tū te wehiwehi

Tū Hikitia

Tū whakaputa ki te whai ao

Tihei Mauri Ora



Te Puni Kōkiri





The night sings

The day sings

Let us stand tall in the face of adversity

Stand with power

Stand with awe

To be uplifted

And exalted

As we face the challenges ahead together

Bounded by life



# **Speakers**

#### Paul Metcalf – Manager, Appointments and Governance Becky Gill – Senior Advisor, Board Appointments and Governance





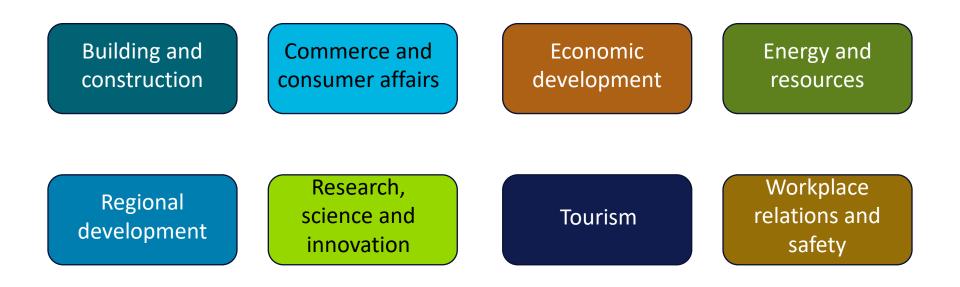
#### Overview

- MBIE's Boards
- Appointment process
- Good things to know

#### MBIE's Boards

- Our Ministers appoint to around 40 Boards, around 330 roles
- Working on 80 100 roles per year
- The roles are across eight Ministerial portfolios

### **Ministerial portfolios**



### **MBIE's Boards**

#### Crown companies

- Crown Research Institutes – ESR, Scion, Manaaki Whenua, AgResearch, NIWA, Plant & Food, GNS Science
- REANNZ
- New Zealand Capital Growth Partners
- Crown Regional Holdings

#### **Crown entities**

- WorkSafe
- Electricity
  Authority
- Energy Efficiency & Conservation Authority
- Commerce
  Commission
- NZ Tourism Board

Tribunals/ disputes resolution

- Copyright Tribunal
- Electricity Rulings
  Panel
- Financial Advisors Disciplinary Committee
- Motor Vehicle Disputes Tribunal

#### **Occupational Boards**

- Building Practitioners Board
- Plumbers, Gasfitters & Drainlayers Board
- Chartered
  Professional
  Engineers Council
- Electrical Workers Registration Board

#### Advisory committees

- Financial Advice Code Committee
- Consumer Advocacy Council
- New Zealand Standards Approval Board
- New Zealand Story Board

# **Crown entities deliver key services for New Zealand**

- They constitute a wide variety of public organisations delivering many public services
- They are often the 'face of government':
  - regulation of workplace health and safety, the electricity market and financial markets
  - monitoring and enforcing market competition
  - accreditation of laboratories and other standardised bodies
  - scientific research (Crown Research Institutes)
- Crown entities play an important role in supporting the delivery of critical public services. In 2022, Crown entities:
  - collectively employed 70% of central Government employees
  - held 54% of fixed assets on the Crown's balance sheet
  - accounted for more than a third of total government expenditure (about \$90 billion).

# The different roles



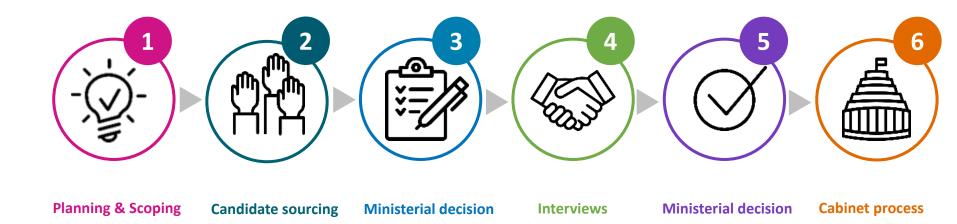
- Governance
- Regulatory
- Technical capability (legal, engineering, chartered accountant)
- Lay person
- Consumer representative



### Appointment process

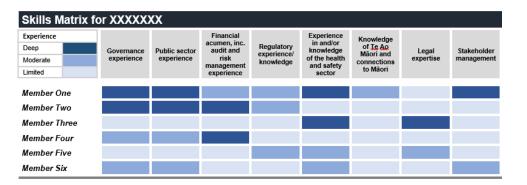
• Step-by-step from start to finish

#### **Appointment process and timeframes**



#### **Planning & Scoping**

- Strategic context includes Minister's expectations
- Skills-led
- Stakeholder input
- Future direction of organisation
- Term length
- Legislative requirements
- Minister's agreement to proceed





# **Candidate sourcing**

- MBIE website
- Jobs.govt.nz
- Treasury database
- Seek
- LinkedIn
- Nominating agencies (Manatū Wāhine, Ministry for Ethnic Communities, Ministry for Pacific Peoples, Te Puni Kōkiri, Whaikaha)
- Ministerial nominations
- Industry networks





# Ministerial decision – agree shortlist



- Input from Chair
- Assess CV and cover letter against person specification in description
- Skills matrix
- Individual assessment
- Skills that complement existing members
- Takes time



#### Interviews

- Panel usually includes the Chair and officials
- Assesses:
  - Motivation and interest
  - Governance capability
  - Technical and/or other skills and experience
- STAR technique
- Board fit
- Availability
- <u>Conflicts of interest</u>



# Ministerial decision – preferred candidate

- MBIE provides advice to the Minister
- Individual assessment
- Skills that complement existing members
- Due-diligence
- Reference checks
- Takes time





## **Cabinet process**

- Parliamentary sitting calendar
- Ministerial consultation (approx. 2 weeks)
- Committee (APH) and Cabinet approval (approx. 2 weeks)
- Appointment documentation





# Timeframes



- Each step requires ministerial approval
- Political process
- Election/ministerial reshuffle
- Change of requirements



# Good things to know

- CV and cover letter
- What we look for
- Expectations of appointees

### **Governance CV and cover letter**

- These documents are vital to your success
- Tailor your application to the role
- Clear and concise
- Governance CV
  - IOD advice
  - <u>Ministry for Ethnic Communities</u>
  - <u>Ministry for Women advice</u>



### What we look for

- Clear motivation and understanding of the role
- Previous governance experience
- Relevant technical or subject-matter expertise
- A mix of skills and experience across the Board
- Board fit
- Interview preparation and performance



# **Expectations of appointees**



- The board has the primary responsibility for the entity's performance
- Code of Conduct (Public Service Commission)
  - Personal integrity
  - Professional conduct
  - Acting lawfully
- Maintain relationships based on trust, respect, transparency and goodwill
- Adhere to the "no surprises" principle
- Deliver services effectively and efficiently
- Understanding of relevant legislation
- Ongoing declaration and management of interests when they arise



# Other things to know



- Social media
- Build governance capabilities
- Be proactive to seek opportunities



# Questions?

#### Karakia Timatanga

Kia whakairia te tapu

Kia wātea ai te ara

Kia turuki whakataha ai

Kia turuki whakataha ai

Haumi e. Hui e. Tāiki e!

Restrictions are moved aside

So the pathways is clear

To return to everyday activities

#### Thank you and meeting closed









#### Register with a nominations database







<u>Te Pae Ārahi – Nominations Service (tpk.govt.nz)</u>

Ministry for Pacific Peoples — Nominations Service (mpp.govt.nz)

Nominations Service | Ministry for Ethnic Communities



Join our Nominations Database | Whaikaha - Ministry of Disabled People



Register with our Nominations Service | Ministry for Women









# Courses and resources to grow your leadership and governance skills

MBIE's Crown entities and statutory boards page

Public Service Commission's general guidance and information for Crown entities

PSC Code of Conduct

Institute of Directors – courses

Leadership Learning Hub | Ministry for Women

https://women.govt.nz/women-and-leadership/leadership-learning-hub

Contact MBIE Appointments and Governance team - <a href="mailto:boardappointments@mbie.govt.nz">boardappointments@mbie.govt.nz</a>





