

Forest Biosecurity Conference 2021:

Ka mua, ka muri: Looking back to move forward.

Conference Purpose:

To reflect on the forest biosecurity journey and what has been achieved to date to help guide our way forward.

Date: 12–13 May 2021

Venue: Rimu Room, Scion: Titokorangi Drive (formerly Long Mile Rd), Rotorua

Day 1 (12 May 2021)	Time	Day 2 (13 May 2021)	Time
		Arrive coffee and introductions.	8
	10		8:30
Forest Biosecurity Committee meeting (members only)		Session 1 Theme: Reflections on the forest biosecurity journey	
		1) Bill Dyck - Industry Perspective - where has biosecurity come from and where is it going?	
Lunch (sponsored by MPI).	12	2) Lindsay Bulman - Science Perspective - A Journey in biosecurity science and where does this need to go next?	
		3) Peter Thomson - Government Perspective - Looking back at how biosecurity has progressed/evolved in the forestry space and where to in the future (Director Animal & Plant Health, Biosecurity New Zealand - Tiakitanga Pūtaiao Aotearoa).	
Joint Biosecurity Forum (chair MPI) (see separate agenda) – all welcome	1		
The MPI / FOA joint biosecurity forum is an interactive session that aims to promote discussion and debate on issues across the biosecurity system. It is an opportunity for both organisations to share what they been working on in the past 12 months, and to plan future collaborations.		Morning tea break	10:15
			10:45
		Session 2 Theme: The Biosecurity journey from different perspectives - "Ka mua, ka muri: Looking back to move forward".	
		Panel presentation and discussion.	
Afternoon tea break	3		
		Lunch break	12
Welcome	3:15	Session 3 Theme: The value and benefit of Science.	1
Chair to open Conference – welcome keynote speakers			1:05
Keynote speakers	3:30	<i>What has science delivered and what impact has it had?</i>	
1. Phil Taylor (Port Blakely Ltd. – President of the FOA Executive Council) – The forestry landscape of the future, where does biosecurity fit? A forest growers' perspective.		1) Healthy Trees Healthy Future Programme - Natalie Graham (Scion)	
2. John Walsh (Director Readiness and Response Services - Biosecurity New Zealand) – The future of Biosecurity in New Zealand, its role in protecting and enabling our future. (TBC)		2) Pikorua of Protection - Jess Kerr (Scion)	
		<i>What can science deliver going forward?</i>	1:35
		3) eDNA as a tool for Biosecurity monitoring - Andrew Cridge (Scion)	
		4) Towards Autonomous Forest Health Monitoring – TBC - Grant Pearce (Scion)	
	5:30		2:05
Interactive and social poster session - Te Whare Nui o Tuteata Find out what's happening in forest biosecurity science and operations over a beer or wine!		Operational biosecurity improvements – Nursery Biosecurity	
		5) <i>Fusarium circinatum</i> in South African Nurseries – Craig Ford (Scion)	
		6) eDNA & eRNA for nursery biosecurity – Rebecca McDougal (Scion)	
Conference dinner	8		2:35
The Terrace Kitchen: 1029 Tutaneikai Street, Rotorua.		Session 4 Theme: Ka mua, ka muri: Looking back to move forward. Reflecting on what we've heard at this conference, do we know where we need to go to improve forest biosecurity?	
		Panel reflections and discussion.	
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		Wrap up and conclusions, including action items for 2021/22 and areas for improvement.	
		The conference will conclude by 3:30pm	