

GNZCC Newsletter February 2018

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Happy New Year 2018  
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**Kia ora and Guten Tag!**

Where did the first 5 weeks of the year go?

We started this year with a bang announcing our first round of workshops [Changes to EU Data regulation](#) – this topic is relevant to ALL members and it is important you send the relevant person from your organisation along! (No excuses this workshop is running in Auckland, Wellington & Christchurch)

...but it's not all hard work – we received a clear message from our [Executive Board](#), that networking is important, so we have re-introduced an old favourite of mine – [Kontaktabend](#) [an evening hosted by a member, for members]. We look forward to seeing many of you in Newmarket, on the 1st March.

...and finally 136 days after the actual election – the Conservatives(CDU/CSU) and Social Democrats(SDP) managed to settle on a coalition agreement. Mission accomplished! Read the translated version of the [DIHK Statement \(Association of German Chambers of Commerce and Industry\)](#) below.

Happy reading!

Monique Surges  
Chief Executive Officer  
New Zealand-German Business Association



## HR Services

To grow your business successfully you need the right employees. GNZCC can help:

- formulation and translation of job ads in English/German,
- posting job ads on our website
- posting job ads in relevant print and online media
- pre-screening
- Off-site rooms for job interviews.

We also cooperate with a number of recruiting experts, which enables us to offer a wide range of customized HR services. More information on our [website](#).

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## Coalition Agreement

Association of German Chambers of Commerce and Industry (Deutscher Industrie- und Handelskammertag, DIHK) on the Coalition Agreement: Good investment in the future, but also expensive future liabilities - "We would have wished for bolder decisions altogether" - Reconsider tax reforms - Commitment to free trade and protectionism- "Coalition agreement makes education big" - The topic "Relief at Electricity prices are completely lacking" [MORE..](#)



## Kontaktabend - Network evening

► 01.03.2018, ANZ Building Auckland

We are delighted to invite you to our first Kontaktabend (networking evening) for 2018, hosted by German-New Zealand Chamber of Commerce member's ATPI Business World Travel and Lufthansa. Register [here](#).

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## Our Premium Partners




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## Events & Workshops



Changes to EU Data regulation and how it will affect your business @Auckland @Wellington @Christchurch

Are you storing any personal Data from EU Citizens? Yes? This workshop is a MUST for you to attend. [MORE..](#)

- ▶ 20/02/2018 Pro Clima Hub, Unit P/63 Hugo Johnston Dr, Penrose, Auckland
- ▶ 21/02/2018 NZ Trade & Enterprise, Room "Creative Space", Level 12, The Majestic Centre, 100 Willis Street, Wellington
- ▶ 22/02/2018 The Manufactures' Network, 236 Hereford Street, Christchurch



Seminar on transfer pricing and other international tax reforms in New Zealand @ EY

- ▶ 11/04/2018 - 2 Takutai Square, Britomart Auckland 1010

If you are involved in the finance department or management of subsidiary of a German (or other foreign) group then you should come to this seminar to get an update of the international tax reforms and current Inland Revenue audit focus of this area.

[MORE...](#)

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## TRADE FAIRS ABROAD

More information on each show can be found on [our website](#). [Contact us](#) for pre-show assistance, setting up meetings or on-site support!

**ITB Berlin** - The World's leading trade show  
► 07/03/2018 Berlin, Germany

**IWA OutdoorClassics** - High performance in target sports, nature activities and protecting people  
► 09/03/2018 - Nuremberg, Germany

**MT-CONNECT** - Inside Medical Technology  
► 11/04/2018 - Nuremberg, Germany

**BIOFACH CHINA** - trade fair for organic food  
► 24/05/2018 - Shanghai, China

## TRADE FAIRS NEW ZEALAND

We are now taking registrations to exhibit with us under the 'Made in Germany' banner! [Contact Sandy](#) for more details.

**EMEX** – International Engineering Equipment and Machinery Exhibition  
► 01/05/2018 - Auckland

**Fieldays** - The Southern Hemisphere's largest Agri event  
► 13/06/2018 - Hamilton

**Buildnz | designex** Auckland - New Zealand's largest building and construction trade event  
► 04/07/2018 - Auckland

**EVWorld NZ** - for a sustainable EV future  
► 09/03/18 - Auckland



**WORK PLACEMENT STUDENTS FOR YOUR COMPANY!**

Do you have special projects for which you need additional staff for a short period?  
Are you looking to deepen your business relations with Germany?  
Or do you just need a competent addition to your staff for a short term period?

Why not get a student from Bavaria as support for your staff!

Companies are welcome to advertise work placements on our web portal for free. We are looking for work placements from one to twelve months. You can also have a student writing their Bachelor's or Master's thesis on a subject of relevance for your company.

**STUDY & WORK INTERNATIONAL**

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## Trade Fairs News

### ► Spielwarenmesse®

69th Spielwarenmesse asserts its leading global position: Climb in international exhibitors and visitors. Organiser Spielwarenmesse eG welcomed attendees from 129 nations and offered not only trends and innovations but also a carefully crafted supporting programme. [MORE..](#)

### ► BIOFACH & VIVANESS 2018 Press Conference

From 14 to 17 February 2018, the organic industry will be meeting for its annual get-together consisting of BIOFACH, the World's Leading Trade Fair for Organic Food. Approximately 2,950 exhibitors are expected altogether, with 250 of these appearing at VIVANESS. [MORE..](#)

### ► ASIA FRUIT LOGISTICA 2018

Get set for growth at Asia's fresh produce hub  
As the new year dawns, it's time to capitalise on new opportunities in Asia by booking a stand at ASIA FRUIT LOGISTICA 2018. [MORE..](#)

### ► InnoTrans 2018 2018

Demand outstrips capacity at InnoTrans 2018 by around 5,000 m<sup>2</sup>. As well as



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energies, the railways are also pioneering zero-emissions electric transport. [MORE..](#)

► [VIVANESS 2018: natural and organic cosmetics digitalized](#)

The future is digital. Digitalization is having an impact in all areas of life and opening up new prospects in the natural and organic cosmetics industry too. [MORE..](#)

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### Our Executive Members




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### Jobs & Internships

These are just some of the applicants from Germany seeking jobs or internships in New Zealand, whose CV's are on [our website](#). You're welcome to list a job or internship on our website, this service is free for GNZCC members: please fill in the form on our website or [email us](#).

Internship Seeker:

- [Control-Systems](#)
- [Finance & Accounting](#)

Job Seekers:

- [Policy & Planning Manager](#)
- [Administration & Receptionist](#)



Contact the GNZCC travel experts now! Ask about Lufthansa, Swiss, Austrian and Singapore Airlines seat sale or special GNZCC Member fares now!  
**Contact Nick or any of the team at BWT: Tel. 0800-508580**

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### New Members

A warm welcome to our latest new members!

- IHK Aachen
- Departar - The German Headhunter Australia Pty Ltd
- Koru Pacific Travel

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- WINIPAC Logistics Ltd
  - Giesen Wine Estate Ltd
  - Masport Ltd
  - CoveKinloch New Zealand Ltd
  - Willach Australia Pty Ltd

More information on each of our new members can be found on [our website](#)

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## Members' News

Share your news with your fellow members! Send a LinkedIn post, press release or news item on your website to [press@germantrade.co.nz](mailto:press@germantrade.co.nz) so we can consider it for inclusion on GNZCC channels.



Lucidity work with business of all sizes, providing secure remote working capabilities on a scalable platform that can grow with your business. We would suggest that you get in contact with Zach, Lucidity's Sales Manager, to review your existing IT set up and explore the additional functionality and security Lucidity's services could offer.

GNZCC have been utilising Lucidity's services for over a year now, and we have found that they are a very friendly, helpful bunch, that have facilitated a significant improvement in GNZCC's IT services. Working remotely and accessing our line of business applications and files is a huge bonus, and allows us to remain productive, even when we are travelling internationally.

Based on our experience with Lucidity, 30 minutes of your time will be well spent, even if it is just to get some expert guidance on your existing services. Thank you in advance for giving this your thoughtful consideration.

You can contact Zach on either phone – 09 550 5231 / 022 658 0920 – or email – [zach@lucidity.co.nz](mailto:zach@lucidity.co.nz) – and check out Lucidity's services at <https://www.lucidity.co.nz> or read the Lucidity - GNZCC case study [here](#).

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## Employment Law: the only constant is change

The Minister of Workplace Relations and Safety issued a press release and attached Employment Relations Amendment Bill Summary (Summary) yesterday (25 January 2018). This has given an indication of the first set of changes, and the proposed legislation is expected to have its first reading in the first week of February, followed by a select committee process.

The changes to be incorporated in the new amendments outlined in the Summary are:

- Restoration of statutory rest and meal breaks
- Restriction of 90 day trial periods to small medium enterprises
- Reinstatement will be restored as the primary remedy for an unjustified

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- Further protections for employees in the “vulnerable industries” identified in the Act.

For more information please click [here](#).

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#### FASH'N SPLASH 2018 swimwear collection



Kia Ora – the new collection will be introduced by FASH'N'SPLASH, the exclusive agency for 'Riedel' swimwear in New Zealand and Australia. The viewings are taking place at PwC Tower, Auckland CBD in conjunction with the German-New Zealand Chamber of Commerce on

Tue 06 Mar and Wed 07 Mar from 09.00-5.00pm. Appointments by arrangement. Please contact [Bodo Riesen](#) from FASH'N SPLASH or [Angelika Freeman](#) from GNZCC. We are looking forward to hearing from you.



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#### Energy Efficiency



## Energy Solutions

The German-New Zealand Chamber of Commerce Inc. is hosting a display of several low energy construction projects presenting German innovative and energy efficient technologies as part of the "Showcase – Made in Germany". The "Showcase – Made in Germany" will take place on the 4th of July 2018 in Auckland and has been set up to an emphasis on innovative New Zealand buildings featuring German advancement in the area of low energy buildings.

If you think your company has potential to be part of this awesome opportunity please contact [Angelika](#) or click [here](#) for more information.

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For more energy-related news, [subscribe](#) to the English-language edition of the Energy Transition newsletter of the Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy

## Governmental Funds for Environmental Awareness

By introducing an „environmental bonus“, the German government makes a significant contribution to reduce emissions while boosting the demand for electric vehicles. These governmental funds assure and support an accelerated growth of electric vehicles in the German market. [MORE..](#)

## Partner Events



### The World of Wine Festival

► 12/05/2018 - AUT City Campus, 55 Wellesley Street East, CBD

The World of Wine Festival is New Zealand's first ever showcase of purely international wines. The World of Wine Festival is a celebration of the great wines from all around the world of wine. [MORE..](#)



### Running your Business Workshops

► 13/03/2018 West Auckland & 15/03/2018 Auckland CBD

ATEED, with the support of NZTE, is offering a series of Running Your Business workshops, the objective of this pilot program is to provide businesses with a pathway to transition from running their business to growing their business. [MORE...](#)





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