

# EMPOWERING INDIGENOUS VOICES

INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM 2026



NZ International Convention Centre  
Tāmaki Makaurau, Auckland  
12-15 July 2026

## Partnership Prospectus



# Nau mai – Welcome

Te Ora o Te Whānau Charitable Trust is excited to announce the inaugural **Empowering Indigenous Voices International Symposium** in Tāmaki Makaurau, Auckland, on 12-15 July 2026. Emerging from kōrero with whānau and communities throughout Aotearoa who shared their aspirations and solutions for self-determining futures, our next step is to invite Indigenous communities to come together on a global scale.

The symposium will convene Indigenous leaders, practitioners, and innovators from around the world to share, develop, and celebrate solutions to contemporary challenges, with a focus on Indigenous-led initiatives and knowledge systems. Indigenous communities globally are at the forefront of innovative development, drawing on ancestral knowledge and contemporary strategies to address issues such as health and wellbeing, education, environmental stewardship, justice outcomes, technology and innovation, and cultural revitalisation.

We are reaching out to organisations that share a commitment to supporting Indigenous leadership, solutions, and development, and we invite funders to discuss possible collaboration opportunities for this event. Your support will contribute to the success of this event and enable us to deliver value for our whānau, hapū, iwi, wider communities and the sector.

We look forward to partnering with you and seeing you in Tāmaki Makaurau Auckland in July.

Ngā manaakitanga

The Conference committee

# Why sponsor?

As a sponsor, your organisation will:

- Showcase your organisation/brand to key influencers
  - Align with a globally significant movement advocating for Indigenous rights and empowerment
  - Gain visibility among prominent Indigenous leaders, policymakers, academics, and activists
  - Demonstrate a commitment to corporate social responsibility and social equity
  - Access exclusive networking opportunities with key stakeholders and decision-makers
  - Gain valuable insights into trends, gaps, and solutions into Indigenous development
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# Sponsorship Opportunities



**\$100,000**

# Whānau-led Aspirations & Decision Making – Principal Partners

Principal Partners anchor the symposium. Your support strengthens whānau, hapū, iwi, and Indigenous voices to shape futures through Indigenous-led solutions, grounded in by-Māori, for-Māori approaches and connected to the wider Indigenous world.

## Registration

- Four complimentary conference registrations including welcome function and banquet dinner
- Four additional complimentary tickets to the banquet dinner

## Market place

- One complimentary marketplace space – 3m x 2m

## Exposure – pre-event

- Priority logo placement on electronic e-blasts and other conference marketing locally and internationally
- Exclusive e-blast announcing your company's partnership
- Priority logo placement on conference website
- Recognition as a principal partner on partnership brochure.

## Exposure – During the event

- Deliver welcoming address to all delegates during the first conference day (5min) (exclusive to principal partners)
- Placement of advertising banner(s) to side of main stage in Plenary room
- Deliver one breakout session on day 1 or 2
- Placement of advertising banner(s) within the breakout session room
- Display logo on slides during your breakout sessions
- Deliver welcoming address at the beginning of your breakout session
- Receive acknowledgement at the closing of each day from the MCPriority logo placement on conference signage where partners are recognised
- Post an advertisement on the conference mobile APP (partner to provide ad)
- Provide a promotional item (ideally eco-friendly) for the Opening plenary (partner to provide item)

## Exposure- Post event

- Priority logo placement on conference wrap-up on EIV website
- Priority logo on electronic e-blasts for conference wrap up
- Priority logo placement on electronic e-blast thanking all partners



**\$50,000**

## **Cultural Integrity, Connection & Belonging – Major Partners**

Major Partners help reclaim and strengthen identity, language, values, and tikanga. Your support affirms mātauranga Māori and Indigenous knowledge systems, building cultural resilience across health, education, governance, and design.

### **Registration**

- Two complimentary conference registrations including welcome function and banquet dinner
- Two additional complimentary tickets to the banquet dinner

### **Market place**

- One complimentary marketplace space – 3m x 2m

### **Exposure - pre-event**

- Exclusive e-blast announcing your company's partnership
- 2nd level logo placement on conference website
- Recognition as Major partner on partnership brochure.

### **Exposure – During the event**

- Receive acknowledgement at the beginning and end of the conference from the plenary speaker/MC
- 2nd level logo placement on conference signage where partners are recognised
- Post an advertisement on the conference mobile APP (partner to provide ad)
- Provide a promotional item (ideally eco-friendly) at each seat for the Opening plenary (partner to provide item)

### **Exposure - Post event**

- 2nd level logo placement on conference wrap-up on EIV website
- 2nd level logo placement on electronic e-blast thanking all partners



**\$25,000**

## **Sovereignty & Indigenous-Led Systems – Social Partners**

Social Partners energise symposium gatherings and highlight Indigenous leadership. Your support drives structural transformation grounded in Te Tiriti o Waitangi, mana motuhake, and Indigenous sovereignty worldwide.

### **Registration**

- Two complimentary conference registration including welcome function and banquet dinner
  - Four complimentary tickets to the welcome event
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- Four additional complimentary tickets to the banquet dinner

### **Market place**

- One complimentary marketplace space – 3m x 2m

### **Exposure – pre-event**

- Exclusive e-blast announcing your company's partnership
- 3rd level logo placement on conference website
- Recognition as social event partner on partnership brochure.

### **Exposure – During the event**

- Acknowledgement of on day of event from the podium speaker
- Placement of advertising banner(s) within the event location during partnered event
- 3rd level logo placement on conference signage where partners are recognised
- Post an advertisement on the conference mobile APP (partner to provide ad)
- Offer promotional items (ideally eco-friendly) on seats or area provided at event

### **Exposure – post-event**

- 3rd level logo placement on conference wrap-up on EIV website
- 3rd level logo placement on electronic e-blast thanking all partners



**\$5,000**

## **Equity, Investment & System Realignment – Community Partners**

Community Partners back equity-centred action to address structural disparities. Your support strengthens local investment and helps build systems that uphold Te Tiriti o Waitangi, whānau wellbeing, and Indigenous community futures.

### **Registration**

- One complimentary conference registration including welcome function and banquet dinner

### **Market place**

- One complimentary marketplace space – 3m x 2m

### **Exposure – pre-event**

- Exclusive e-blast announcing your company's partnership
- 4th level logo placement on conference website
- Recognition as community partner on partnership brochure.

### **Exposure – During the event**

- Acknowledgement of on day of event from the podium speaker
- 4th level logo placement on conference signage where partners are recognised
- Post an advertisement on the conference mobile APP (partner to provide ad)

### **Exposure – post-event**

- 4th level logo placement on conference wrap-up on EIV website
- 4th level logo placement on electronic e-blast thanking all partners



**\$5,000**

## Coffee cart

Barista coffee will be available for conference delegates on a complimentary basis included as part of their registration. The barista cart is approximately the size of an exhibition site. Espresso partners confirmed before 5 June 2026 have the option to incorporate their cart into their exhibition build or have it located immediately adjacent, after this time this option may not be available depending on the expo floor plan.

### Registration

- One sponsor registration (includes Welcome function and Conference Dinner ticket)

### Marketplace

- Opportunity to locate the coffee cart in or adjacent to their exhibition site
- One complimentary marketplace space – 3m x 2m

### Exposure

- Naming rights to the coffee cart
- Signage with organisation logo on the front of the coffee cart
- Opportunity for barista to wear company branded T-shirts, caps, aprons (provided by the partner)
- Opportunity for hot drinks to be served in branded “keep cups” (supplied by partner)
- Organisation logo displayed in opening multimedia presentation
- Organisation logo on the conference website linking to your organisation website
- Organisation logo and listing on the conference app, including company details, link to your website and detailed information (supplied by partner)

### Delegate information

- A list of conference delegates who have agreed to name disclosure in relation to the conference sent two weeks prior to the conference.



**\$6,500**

## Conference app sponsor

Our conference app keeps attendees updated and connected throughout the conference. The app provides a personalised schedule, session recommendations and networking opportunities based on attendees' interests and preferences.

Facilitate seamless communication amongst attendees, speakers and industry. Features like messaging, discussion forums, Q&A and push notifications keep everyone informed about important announcements and networking opportunities.

### Registration

- One complimentary conference registration including welcome function and banquet dinner

### Exposure

- Naming rights to the conference app
- Organisation logo included on the app splash screen or banner
- Two push notifications to delegates each day of the conference, max 200 characters each
- Organisation logo displayed in opening multimedia presentation
- Organisation logo on the conference website linking to your organisation website
- Organisation logo and listing on the conference app, including company details, link to your website and detailed information (supplied by sponsor)

### Delegate information

A list of conference delegates who have agreed to name disclosure in relation to the conference sent two weeks prior to the conference.



**\$4,500**

## Marketplace partner

A networking space is an excellent opportunity for organisation to come face-to-face with delegates and key decision makers throughout the conference. Catering breaks will be held within the networking area on both days of the conference.

Note that no walls are provided in the space. This creates an open and welcoming environment for you to network with delegates.

### Registration

- One full conference registration for an organisation representative, including access to sessions, daily catering and a ticket to the welcome reception and the conference dinner

### Inclusions

- 3m × 2m allocated area
- Power to area (if requested)
- Furniture package (either two couches and coffee table, or bar leaner and 4 stools)
- Organisation logo and profile in the exhibitor section of the app.
- Organisation logo included on the conference website, linking to your organisation website.
- Access to full delegate list (except for those who have requested privacy).

### Furniture package

You will be required to select a furniture package for your networking space in the Marketplace. This will consist of either 2× couches and one coffee table or a bar leaner and four stools.

Package availability and colours are on a first in basis so we recommend you advise your preference during the booking process. Any furniture upgrades or additional items are payable directly to our supplier.

### Allocation of space

Location preference will be allocated to confirmed sponsors based on level of support first until 14 June. After this, remaining spaces will be allocated to organisations on a first in basis.



# Terms and conditions

Our standard terms and conditions for partnership are set out here and overleaf.

Anyone who is considering applying for a partnership opportunity should read these before submitting an application, to ensure that it complies with these conditions.

## Booking and payment conditions

All prices are in New Zealand Dollars and exclude Goods and Services Tax (GST) of 15%. Full payment is due on the 20th of the month following the original invoice date or prior to the conference, whichever is first.

## Cancellation

Any cancellations must be made in writing to the Exhibition Manager. In the event of cancellation of a partnership package up to Friday 24th April 2026 a full refund less an administration charge of \$150 + GST will be made. Cancellations after this date will be at the discretion of the symposium organising committee.

Te Ora o te Whānau Charitable Trust reserves the right to cancel, postpone or change the venue of the hui in case of circumstances beyond their control. In such a case all monies paid to date will be refunded in full less any expenses incurred. The liability of the organisers will be limited to that amount.

## Health and safety

Te Ora o te Whānau Charitable Trust, NZICC and Conference Innovators take the health and safety of our delegates, partners and suppliers seriously. An “exhibition” manual will be provided to all exhibitors six weeks prior to the symposium highlighting all the health and safety obligations. This will provide full details around compliance when packing in your displays and working throughout the Empowering Indigenous Voices Symposium. Please note that all electronic equipment plugged in onsite must be tagged and tested. By agreeing to exhibit at the symposium, you agree to adhere to our health and safety policy.

## **Insurance and liability**

Partners must ensure that they are adequately covered for public liability insurance. This refers to damage or injury caused to third parties/visitors in the vicinity of their displays.

Neither Te Ora o te Whānau Charitable Trust, Conference Innovators, Exhibition Hire Services, NZICC nor any of their staff, employees, agents or other representatives shall be held accountable for, or liable for, and the same are released from accountability, or liability for any damage, loss, harm or injury to the person or any property of the displays, however caused or any of its staff, employees, agents or other representatives.

In the event of industrial disruption and/or equipment failure due to power supply problems Te Ora o te Whānau Charitable Trust, Conference Innovators, Exhibition Hire Services, NZICC will not be held liable and accept no responsibility for loss of monies incurred by sponsors or damage to property.

The organisers accept no liability for damage to partners equipment by loss, damage, theft, fire, water, storms, strikes, riots, or any cause whatsoever. Partners are advised to insure against such liability.

## **Provision of information**

Six weeks prior to the symposium all organisations installing custom stands must provide the contact details of their appointed stand contractor, together with a detailed plan showing dimensions of the stand design for approval by the venue and the conference organisers.

Designed submitted must contain information such as stand layout, banner/light rigging and walls/solid heights.

## **Registration**

All partnership packages include a certain number of complimentary registrations. Registration links will be provided to the key booking contact for each organisation in due course. Staff not registered as partner staff will not be allowed access.



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## Further information

If these sponsorship opportunities and benefits fall outside of your requirements, but you still wish to be associated with the symposium, please do not hesitate to contact the symposium Managers.

We wish to be flexible and may be able to negotiate an alternative set of benefits to better suit your needs.

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