

# CLOUD & PLATFORM ENGINEERING SUMMIT NZ

ADVANCING CLOUD CAPABILITIES TO TRULY ENABLE DIGITAL BUSINESS

THURSDAY 29TH FEBRUARY 2024  
PULLMAN AUCKLAND HOTEL,  
NEW ZEALAND



## SPEAKERS



James Valentine

Digital Chief Technology Officer



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Technology & Architecture



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Engineering Practices Lead

## KEY TOPICS

- Understanding the capabilities of a leading cloud & platform strategy
- Assessing best practices in cloud governance, maintenance & efficiency
- Developing & supporting high performing engineering teams
- Driving digital business by fully leveraging your cloud capabilities

## WHO WILL ATTEND?

- CIO/ CTO
- Heads of Cloud
- Heads of Technology
- Heads of IT Infrastructure
- Heads of Engineering
- Heads of Architecture
- Heads of Platforms

# SUMMIT AGENDA

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 29TH

## 8:30 REGISTRATION, COFFEE & NETWORKING

## 9:00 WELCOME REMARKS FROM THE CHAIR



### 9:10 DELEGATE SPOTLIGHT

Discussing key features of a successful cloud strategy

## 9:40 PANEL DISCUSSION UNDERSTANDING THE CAPABILITIES OF A LEADING CLOUD & PLATFORM STRATEGY

- What does it take for your cloud strategy to stand out?
- Understanding your business context & making smart choices around platforms for future success
- Building your cloud capabilities in at the platform level
- Advancing in the cloud and becoming the true business enabler through platform engineering

**Asim Khan**, Head of Architecture & Platform Engineering, Fisher & Paykel Appliances

**Chris Brace**, Domain Chapter Lead Technology & Architecture, Spark NZ

**Lauren Percy**, Head of Engineering - Xero Payroll ANZ, Xero

**Judy Marcelo**, Architecture Chapter Lead, Countdown

## 10:20 LIVE HACKING: EMBEDDING SECURITY TO UPLIFT CYBER HYGIENE IN THE CLOUD

## 10:50 MORNING TEA & NETWORKING

## 11:20 PANEL DISCUSSION ASSESSING BEST PRACTICES IN CLOUD GOVERNANCE, MAINTENANCE & EFFICIENCY

- Having the right guardrails in place to create the golden paths to success
- Continuously assessing your operating model
- Communicating the value of cloud maintenance to progress strategic alignment
- Tailoring your cloud strategy to service different workloads
- Understanding what a sustainable cloud model looks like

**James Valentine**, Chief Digital Technology Officer, Fisher & Paykel Technologies

**Nikhil Ramrakhiani**, Chief Technology Officer, Pie Funds

**Gui Da Silva Paiva**, Cloud Chapter Lead, Westpac

## 12:00 PRESENTATION THE IMPACT OF CLOUD EFFICIENCY BEYOND THE BUSINESS & SUPPORTING A SUSTAINABLE TECHNOLOGY MODEL

## 12:30 LUNCH & NETWORKING



### 1:20 INTERACTIVE WORKSHOPS

- FINOPS FOR VALUE IN AN EVERCHANGING LANDSCAPE
- APP MANAGEMENT & SECURITY THROUGH STREAMLINED OBSERVABILITY
- FROM CORE TO EDGE TO CLOUD: MODERNISE YOUR DATA FLOW
- TRANSFORMING BUSINESS THROUGH AIOPS
- HOW TO MANAGE RISK, REDUCE COST AND INCREASE OPERATIONAL EFFICIENCY TO SCALE YOUR HYBRID AND MULTI CLOUD STRATEGY?

## 2:00 PANEL DISCUSSION DEVELOPING & SUPPORTING HIGH PERFORMING ENGINEERING TEAMS

- Discussing challenges, barriers & solutions to raising engineering standards
- Striving for end to end high performance & bringing engineering teams along with the strategic direction
- Implementing automation to improve quality & efficiency
- Promoting developer autonomy to increase speed to market & support continued innovation

**Anna Cupples**, Head of Engineering, Trade Me

**Wei Hsiao**, Engineering Practices Lead, ANZ

**Mark Pearl**, Head of Engineering, Serko

## 3:30 PRESENTATION MOVING BEYOND CLOUD ADOPTION TO A WORLD CLASS CLOUD STRATEGY

## 3:10 AFTERNOON TEA & NETWORKING

## 2:40 KEYNOTE SPEAKER DISCUSSING THE ROLE OF TECHNOLOGY IN DIGITAL EQUITY

**Eteroa Lafaele**, Co-founder & Director, Fibre Fale

## 4:00 CLOSING REMARKS