

## The future of gas in New Zealand

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Interesting insights and challenging questions are likely to spark lively debate among delegates attending the upcoming Gas NZ Forum on the 7-9 November.

The Forum will include a variety of presentations from experts in the gas industry, one of whom is the CEO of Liquigas, Albert de Geest.

Albert's presentation will discuss the potential future of LPG, and will ask questions such as, in a world favoring renewables, what does the future look like for LPG? As technologies continue to develop rapidly, what are the benefits of and potential risks for LPG?

Firstgas CEO, Paul Goodeve, will also sit on the discussion panel and will challenge delegates with these points:

- We should stop talking about a low carbon future, and start talking about a lower carbon future.
- 2. We should begin making changes, no matter how big or small they may be, as soon as possible. Why wait to make big changes when we can make incremental changes immediately?
- 3. Moving to a lower carbon future should not avoid discussions on the "cow in the room." Given the proportion of carbon emissions coming from agriculture in New Zealand, shouldn't we be thinking about how this sector will contribute in the future?

See the full article here

## The benefits and challenges of a joint trans-Tasman Standard

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As Australia and New Zealand have similar government and industry processes, it makes sense to create joint trans-Tasman Standards to encourage more cohesive processes. But at what cost?

Manager of Standards New Zealand, Carmen Mak, says Standards New Zealand and Standards Australia are committed to working in partnership and continuing to promote the harmonisation of Standards across the Tasman.

"It makes sense for government and industry from both countries to work together wherever possible to develop joint Standards for the mutual benefit of both our economies," she said.

She says the two Standards organisations have agreed to share costs for the commissioning and reviewing of Standards.

"We have agreed on an arrangement where both organisations pay each other commissioning fees for projects where the other holds the Secretariat. The projects require a party who can commit to the commissioning of the project and the funding of the commissioning fees. These fees can be co-funded by several parties."

Executive Director of the LPG Association of New Zealand, Peter Gilbert, agrees that continuing with joint Standards with Australia for gas and LPG makes sense. However, the commissioning fee for amendments and new projects is beginning to cause issues in some areas. Read more <a href="here">here</a>

## GAMAA Christmas Lunch - Tuesday 5 December Sandringham Yacht Club

GAMAA's Christmas Lunch will be held the lunch at the Sandringham Yacht Club which has proven to be a very popular venue over the last few years.

The festivities start with Christmas Drinks kicking off at 12 noon and the sumptuous 3 course lunch will commence at 12.30.

The cost is \$95 per head which includes our 3 course lunch and drinks are included.

The Christmas Lunch invitation will be sent out soon and includes registration and payment instructions. Check your inbox later this week.