

HASANZ has appointed the following people to the HASANZ Scholarships Evaluation Panel. They serve in this capacity on a voluntary basis.



Joe Bain - Health & Safety category

Joe Bain is a Chartered Professional Engineer (CPEng) and Fellow of Engineering New Zealand. He holds a PhD and a BE(Hons) in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Canterbury. Joe's day job is as the Operations Director of Motovated Design & Analysis in Christchurch. His professional practice covers design and certification of mechanical equipment, design of hazardous substance storage vessels, machinery safety, mobile plant safety, and frequent expert witness engagements. He is also the Chair of the New Zealand Society for Engineering Safety, a technical group of Engineering New Zealand.



Dr Danaë Anderson: Health & Safety category

Dr Danaë Anderson is a Research Lecturer in Workplace Health and Safety Research at Victoria University's Faculty of Health. She has researched in employment relations and health and safety (OHS) for over ten years, research that has strong links with the community and industry. Her current research seeks to inform policy and practice in areas such as migrant work and exploitation, and health and safety culture and compliance. As an editorial board member of the New Zealand Journal of Employment Relations, she also reviews articles for both domestic and international labour, employment relations, public policy, and sociology journals. Dr Danaë Anderson presents keynote addresses on her research at national and international conferences and government forums. She is also involved with community groups advocating for migrant employment rights and immigration protection.



Dan Mahoney: Health & Safety category

Dan Mahony is a Health, Safety and Wellbeing professional with a diverse range of experience within the NZ landscape (Dairy, Aquaculture, Local Government, Horticulture and Academia) as well as working in the audit space with ACC. Dan was fortunate enough to be on the Board for NZPPI in 2021/2022. Throughout his career, Dan has been fortunate enough to engage with and work alongside the likes of Sidney Dekker. Dan is an advocate of a more modern approach to supporting our people, and Organisations understand and manage their HSW risks and opportunities. Dan's current role is leading the HSW function at Te Herenga Waka (University of Victoria)



Karl Berendt: Health & Safety category

Karl Berendt is President of the NZISM and is a HASANZ board member. He also runs a consulting practise called the Incident Prevention Group based in Taupo. IPG specialise in health and safety consultation and incident investigation.

He has worked in a variety of industries including, timber processing, heavy automotive logistics, oil & gas drilling, heavy equipment sales, electrical contracting, industrial coatings, abrasive blasting, rural contracting and welding quality assurance. Karl is a certified incident investigator, root cause analysis educator and is the Contract Taproot® Instructor for the Asia Pacific Region. He has lectured and taught in Europe, the United States and New Zealand, on the topics of safety, root cause analysis and hazard awareness.



Peter Bullock: Health & Safety category

Peter Bullock is a New Zealand Safety Council (NZSC) Registered Safety Professional (RSP), and HASANZ Registered. Peter is the current NZSC Chair, a member of the HASANZ Governance Board and Register Committee and a Standards Australia committee member. Peter holds a Bachelor of Business and a Otago University Master of Health Sciences (Occupational Health). Peter is a previous HASANZ scholarship recipient, where he used part-funding from ACC to measure safety climate using the Nordic Occupational Safety Climate Questionnaire (NOSACQ-50). Results were then incorporated into a novel comprehensive mixed methods study that also linked historical safety performance, corporate, legal, and cultural responsibilities to the current safety climate to inform future policy and practice. Peter has extensive and diverse professional experience leading successful health and safety outcomes in high risk operational environments and is growing his advisory and governance experience. He is passionate about supporting a future H&S profession that effectively reduces both acute and chronic occupational harm through evidence based best practice.



Sarah McDonald - Poutama category

Sarah McDonald is a health and safety specialist with expertise in strategic, Te Tiriti o Waitangi, and Te Ao Māori approaches to organisational and operational health and safety management. Sarah has over 22 years of health and safety experience across civil and infrastructure industries, tertiary and vocational education, the New Zealand Police, and central and local government.

Sarah is recognised for her ability to lead, engage, influence, coach, and support organisations in developing healthy and safe work environments driven by operational staff and supported by senior leadership. She holds a Graduate Diploma in Occupational Health and Safety from Massey University and is a registered NZQA HSE Trainer and is also a Professional member of NZISM and is HASANZ registered.



Margaret van Schaik - Women in Safety Excellence (WISE) category

Margaret van Schaik is a Health and Safety Professional with 25 years career experience in OH&S advisory and management roles in manufacturing, maritime, banking, healthcare, trade industries, science, engineering, central government, health and safety regulation and professional consultancy. Margaret is a Chartered Fellow (IOSH), a Certified Fellow (NZISM) and a HASANZ registered Health and Safety Professional. Managing Director of Van Schaik (VS) Health and Safety Solutions Ltd, a nationwide boutique H&S consultancy of career H&S professionals providing health and safety governance, leadership, and technical consultancy services.

Margaret is passionate about supporting, mentoring, and coaching in the H&S profession and promoting women in health and safety into leadership and governance roles. Co-founder and Chair of Women in Safety Excellence (WISE) New Zealand, a member of the Institute of Directors (IoD) and holds a number of community-based governance roles.



Kate Sutcliffe: Women in Safety Excellence (WISE) category

Kate has been a health and safety professional for over 20 years, working in enforcement, prevention, auditing, training/facilitation, and consulting, both here in New Zealand, and the UK. She has worked with different industries, including manufacturing, retail, education, and construction, helping apply health and safety to their everyday business. Her involvement with WISE began several years ago when she had the honour of joining the National Governance Group, for which she's now Co-Chair. Kate has a heartfelt yearning to help other women in the industry and encourage them to step out of their comfort zone and achieve great things for themselves.



Miriska Gerber - Occupational Hygiene (OccHygiene) category

Miriska is a highly motivated, dedicated, and experienced health and safety professional and Certified Occupational Hygienist (COH®) with nearly 15 years of experience focused on protecting worker health across a range of industries. She holds a Master's degree in Occupational Hygiene, is a member of several professional bodies, and is HASANZ registered. She serves on the Governance Group of HASANZ and is actively involved with the NZOHS. Goals such as eliminating or mitigating occupational health risks, increasing workforce capability and capacity in New Zealand, and supporting the next generation of health and safety professionals are what motivate her.

Miriska is passionate about creating safe and healthy work environments for all.



Rebecca Shanks: Occupational Hygiene (OccHygiene) category

Rebecca is a passionate Occupational Hygienist at D.A.L., with eight years of experience in the consulting field, including her current role as Occupational Hygiene Team Leader. She works across a wide range of industries, identifying, assessing, and managing workplace health hazards. As a HASANZ-registered Occupational Hygienist, Rebecca provides both technical expertise and strategic direction.

In addition to her professional practice, Rebecca serves on Council for the New Zealand Occupational Hygiene Society (NZOHS), where she contributes to advancing the profession and supporting the development of occupational hygiene in New Zealand.