

# Poland – New Zealand Economic Forum 2025

We are pleased to announce the **Poland – New Zealand Economic Forum 2025**, a premier event fostering economic cooperation, innovation, and sustainable growth between our two nations.

**Date:** 2 June 2025, 10:00-12:00 followed by light lunch networking opportunity.

**Location:** Ministry of Development and Technology- plac Trzech Krzyży 3/5, Warsaw

**Theme:** “Innovation, Sustainability, and Trade and Investment opportunities in a Changing Global Landscape”

This high-level forum brings together **government leaders, business executives, investors, and academics** to explore new opportunities in:

- Bilateral trade & investment
- Green energy and sustainability
- Digital transformation and innovation
- Logistics and trade infrastructure
- Education, culture, and workforce mobility
- Implementation of the **EU–New Zealand Free Trade Agreement**

With keynotes, panels, and B2B networking sessions, the Forum aims to **deepen economic ties**, spark innovation partnerships, and build resilient, future-facing economies.

**Organized by:**

- Polish Investment and Trade Agency
- Ministry of Economic Development and Technology of Poland

Supported by: New Zealand Embassy to Poland

**Context:**

1. Trade and investment opportunities between New Zealand and Poland have expanded significantly, particularly following the implementation of the New Zealand–European Union Free Trade Agreement in May 2024.
2. The group of 20+ companies- corporate members of the Auckland Business Chamber led by Hon. [Simon Bridges](#), CEO of the Auckland Business Chamber, a key figure in New Zealand’s business and political network. Companies representing diverse range of sectors (construction, defence and aerospace, cybersecurity, energy) will be visiting Poland for:
  - In-market B2B meetings with local chambers, business partners, governments.
  - Insights into regulatory frameworks, investment incentives, and market entry strategies
  - Leveraging the FTA's advantages through firsthand knowledge of business opportunities.
  - Networking with Polish businesses and government trade reps to explore partnerships.

## AGENDA

### Welcoming remarks

10.00-10.30

- H.E **Michał Baranowski**, Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Development and Technology
- H.E. **Paul Ballantyne**, Ambassador of New Zealand to Poland
- **Andrzej Dycha**, President of Polish Investment and Trade Agency

### Session 1: Global geopolitical landscape for trade and investment between EU and New Zealand

10.30-11.15

Moderator: **prof. Krzysztof Kozłowski**, Director, Institute of International Studies, **Warsaw School of Economics**

Panel discussion:

- **Simon Bridges**, CEO, Auckland Business Chamber
- **Rafał Hryniewiecki**, Deputy Director, Department of Economic Cooperation, Poland's Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- **Paweł Kowal**, Member of the Polish Sejm, Government Plenipotentiary for Polish-Ukrainian Development Cooperation, Chair of the Foreign Affairs Committee, Poland
- **Andrzej Dycha**, President of Polish Investment and Trade Agency

### Session 2: Business perspectives for trade and investments between Poland and New Zealand in the context of FTA in 2025 and beyond

11.15-12.00

Moderator: **Marek Wąsiński**, Head of the World Economy Team, Polish Economic Institute

Panel discussion:

- **Aleksander Siemaszko**, Director, Department for Trade and International Cooperation, Ministry of Development and Technology
- **Tomek Cieśliński**, Head of Sales, Zuru
- **Ruth Palamountain**, Director, VitaPOWER Ltd
- **Dariusz Lewandowski**, CEO, SYSTEM 3E

### Concluding remarks

12.00-12.10

- **Rafał Jarosz**, Head of Foreign Trade Office – Australia and New Zealand, Polish Investment and Trade Agency

### Networking lunch

12.15 – 13.00