

# Memo

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To: Mayor Phil Goff, Councillors, Independent Maori Statutory Board Members, Executive Leadership Team

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## Subject: Global Engagement Activity Update – May 2018

### Summary

The purpose of this memo is to outline Auckland Council's key upcoming global engagement activity during the month of May 2018. It notes key activity undertaken last month and outcomes achieved through this activity.

**Action:** for information

Date	Key Activity – May 2018	Location
14 May	Mayor will address the China Business Summit 2018 organized by the New Zealand China Council	Auckland
19-27 May	Auckland TechWeek (ATEED-led)	Auckland
22-25 May	Deputy Mayor Cashmore leading a business delegation to Select LA Investment Summit as part of the Tripartite Economic Alliance	Los Angeles
24-25 May	Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade Heads of Mission “Leaders Week” Auckland engagements	Auckland
24 May	GPS representative to attend Sister Cities New Zealand Conference	Lower Hutt

### Key Activity – April 2018

The following is a list of key global activity facilitated by GPS and outcomes achieved:

Date	Activity	Location	Outcome
3 Apr	Newly appointed Korean Consul General Bae-kwan HONG introductory call on Mayor Goff	Auckland	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mayor outlined his key priorities and learnt about Korea's key interests in Auckland.</li> </ul>
4 Apr	Clare Fearnley, New Zealand Ambassador-designate to China, pre-posting call on Mayor Goff	Auckland	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Update on the China-NZ relationship and its implication for Auckland.</li> <li>Outlined Auckland's key interests in China.</li> </ul>
7-8 Apr	US Congressional House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure delegation – briefing and site visit of City Rail Link	Auckland	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Best practice exchange and showcased Auckland's infrastructure service and transportation development.</li> </ul>

8-11 Apr	Mayor Goff official visit to Hong Kong on the Hong Kong Government Sponsored Visitors Programme	Auckland	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Undertook a programme of site visits to learn about Hong Kong's current infrastructure development in transport and housing.</li> <li>• Met with senior leaders in the Hong Kong Government and key members of the New Zealand business community to communicate Auckland's current priorities, opportunities, and challenges.</li> </ul>
10 Apr	BNZ business delegation visit to Fukuoka	Fukuoka	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Helped facilitate a programme of calls in Fukuoka for Auckland businesses and further strengthened collaboration with Fukuoka City.</li> </ul>
3-11 Apr	Speech Contest Winner Ami Kamata from Fukuoka visited Orewa College and Auckland Council	Auckland	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Supported the Auckland-Fukuoka partner city relationship.</li> </ul>
12-15 Apr	Brisbane Mayoral Business Mission delegation visit to Auckland to mark 30 <sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Brisbane - Auckland city partnership.	Auckland	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reinforced the strong Auckland-Brisbane partner city relationship.</li> <li>• Profiled Auckland to Brisbane Lord Mayor Quirk and his delegation of 26 senior business executives.</li> <li>• Positive feedback from the delegation, with several Brisbane businesses looking to establish presence or invest in Auckland.</li> </ul>
14-16 Apr	Vice Mayor of Busan Mr PARK Jae Min call on Deputy Mayor Cashmore and visit for 2018 Korean Day	Auckland	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enhanced understanding and friendship with Auckland's partner city- Busan.</li> <li>• Site visit to Kumeu Film Studios to promote opportunities for collaboration in screen/creative industry.</li> </ul>
17 Apr	Taiwan Indigenous business delegation visit to Auckland to make connection with iwi businesses and attend a ATEED-led business event	Auckland	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Facilitated connections between local iwi and the visiting Taiwanese delegation.</li> <li>• Councillor Filipaina represented Council at the business networking event.</li> <li>• Taiwanese indigenous businesses have been invited to attend the World Indigenous Business Forum in Rotorua in Oct 2018.</li> </ul>
18 Apr	New Zealand Ambassador-designate to Korea, Phil Turner, call on Deputy Mayor Cashmore	Auckland	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discussed the opportunities of attracting Korean capital and technology to Auckland.</li> <li>• Commitment to working closely to deepen Auckland's engagement with partner city Busan.</li> </ul>
18 Apr	Auckland Design Office hosted two interns from Guangzhou and LA under the Tripartite Alliance Internship Programme	Auckland	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Further leveraged Auckland-Guangzhou-LA tri-city relationship facilitated through the Tripartite Economic Alliance.</li> <li>• Fostered further future urban design collaboration among the Tripartite cities.</li> </ul>

### Next steps

- The Global Partnerships and Strategy Unit will provide an update on key global activity each month.
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