

# Memo

1 November 2018

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

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From: Global Partnerships and Strategy Unit (GPS)

## Subject: Global Engagement Activity Update – November 2018 - Summary

This memo outlines Auckland Council's upcoming global engagement activity for November 2018. It also notes the outcomes of the previous month.

**Action:** For information only.

Date	Upcoming Activity – November 2018	Location
1 Nov	NZ Tonga Business Council Tonga National Day event.	Townhall, Auckland
2 Nov	New Zealand Ambassador designate to the United States, Rosemary Banks, courtesy call on Mayor Goff.	Auckland
6 Nov	Visit by Vice Chairperson of Regional Development Committee in Kobe Association of Corporate Executives (KACE – Japan) regarding ATEED learnings from World Masters Games hosting.	ATEED, Auckland
8 Nov	Visit by UAE Minister of Happiness and Well-being, H.E. Ohood Al Roumi.	Auckland
15 Nov	Auckland Consulate Corps Flag Raising Ceremony – all elected members are invited to attend.	Townhall, Auckland
19-21 Nov	45 <sup>th</sup> Joint Meeting of the Japan NZ Business Council and visit by Fukuoka Foreign Trade Association (Fukuoka is a sister city).	Auckland
26-28 Nov	NZ MFAT Pacific Heads of Missions visit to Auckland.	MFAT, Auckland
29 Nov	Auckland International Managers' Network Meeting (focus is APEC21, AmCup21, Tripartite 2019).	Auckland
30 Nov	Japanese Emperor's birthday reception hosted by the Consul General of Japan	Auckland

## Previous Activity – October 2018

Date	Activity	Location	Outcome
1-4 Oct	Dutch government hosted a best practice exchange for Australia & NZ Smart Urban Solutions, which Auckland Council participated in.	Rotterdam, Netherlands	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Relevant to the work of the Head of Innovation. Gained key insights into approaches the Dutch government/private sectors are taking in cities.</li> <li>Learnings shared through a report and presentation on return.</li> </ul>

12 Oct	Councillor Darby attended the pre-opening of the China-New Zealand Year of Tourism.	Auckland	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Promoted Auckland as the key destination for China-NZ Year of Tourism 2019.</li> </ul>
14-23 Oct	GM Auckland Design Office, Ludo Campbell Reid visited Medellin to discuss urban design solutions and promote Auckland	Medellin, Colombia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Global visibility for Auckland</li> <li>Best practice learnings / sharing</li> </ul>
12 Oct	Auckland agreed to sign the Data Free Streets declaration	Auckland	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Auckland Transport</li> <li>Important enabler seeing data of street usage as a public good that, if freely available may spur innovative solutions to urban challenges.</li> </ul>
20-28 Oct	Three members of Auckland Council's Youth Advisory Panel were hosted by the 2018 Beijing Sister City Youth Camp focused on 'Youth and Community of Global Volunteerism'	Beijing China	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Strengthened connection with Beijing at a people-people level.</li> </ul>
23 Oct	The International Economic Development Council's (IEDC) Awards were announced in Atlanta, USA	Atlanta USA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tripartite Economic Alliance (Guangzhou 2017) received a bronze award- '2018 MBIE Premier Award'.</li> </ul>
26 Oct	Auckland roundtable briefing of APEC 2021 by Andrea Smith, MFAT Deputy Secretary APEC21	Auckland	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Overview of the APEC 21 programme of 12 significant events from Dec 2020 to Nov 2021.</li> </ul>
27-28 Oct	2018 Taiwan Day	Auckland	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Demonstrated that the Taiwanese community are an important part of a diverse Auckland.</li> </ul>

### Next steps

- GPS will provide an update on global activity each month.
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