You can book now to attend our Privacy Forums in Wellington and Auckland during Privacy Week. This year, Privacy Week is from 9-14 May. The early bird fee for the forums of $150 per person only applies until 17 April.

The keynote speakers attending the Privacy Forums are the United Nations Special Rapporteur for the Right to Privacy, Professor Joseph Cannataci, and the Australian Information Commissioner, Timothy Pilgrim.

The Privacy Forums are at the Intercontinental Hotel in Wellington on 11 May and at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Auckland on 12 May.

**Register for the Wellington Privacy Forum** [here](#).

The Wellington Privacy Forum programme is [here](#).

**Register for the Auckland Privacy Forum** [here](#).

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The Privacy Forums also include these sessions featuring the following speakers:

- **Intelligence and Security: Reshaping expectations** (with Cheryl Gwyn, Nicky Hager, Brent Edwards)

- **Journalism, new media and privacy** (with David Farrar, John Roughan, Colin Peacock, Leigh Pearson)

- **Big data: The challenge of anonymised data** (Rhema Vaithianathan, Liz Macpherson and Pieta Brown)

- **Principle 6 requests: What do they reveal for business?** (Kathryn Dalziel, Daimhin Warner)

Note that the programmes for each Privacy Forum do differ. This year, we have an especially strong line-up of speakers and topics. Book your ticket now to avoid disappointment.
Prof Cannataci is the world's first privacy investigator at this international level. He was appointed by the United Nations to the newly created position last year.

He is the Head of the Department of Information Policy & Governance at the Faculty of Media & Knowledge Sciences of the University of Malta. He also holds the Chair of European Information Policy & Technology Law at the Faculty of Law at the University of Groningen.

Prof Cannataci has written books and articles on data protection law, liability for expert systems, legal aspects of medical informatics, copyright in computer software and co-authored various papers and textbook chapters on self-regulation and the Internet, the EU Constitution and data protection, on-line dispute resolution, data retention and police data. You can read our blog post about Prof Cannataci here.

We are also pleased to welcome the Australian Acting Information Commissioner, Timothy Pilgrim, as a speaker at the Privacy Forum in Auckland.

Mr Pilgrim was appointed as Acting Australian Information Commissioner from 20 July 2015. Prior to this, he was the Australian Privacy Commissioner from 2010-2015.

Mr Pilgrim has also worked at the international level. He has played an important role in the implementation of the APEC Privacy Framework, which aims to promote a consistent approach to information privacy protection across APEC member economies. He has also been closely involved in developing a framework for privacy regulators around the world to cooperate on cross-border enforcement matters.