



President's International AGM Report 2018

I'm so excited to report to the AGM what New Zealand has achieved. It has been yet another great year for ITS New Zealand in terms of its contributions to other international organisations. ITS New Zealand continues to cement its status as a world-class ITS organisation and now New Zealand is now considered an ITS thought-leader.

New Zealand is chairing the policy direction sub-committee for the ITS Asia Pacific Board of Directors. We have also been selected to be one of 9 members of the World Congress Strategy Committee. New Zealand is highly involved in establishing an Artificial Intelligence Ad-hoc working group within the next 18 months in ISO TC 204. It is expected that a new working group will be established afterwards. I would like to take this opportunity to extend an invitation to all parties interested in AI for ITS to come forward and contribute to this initiative.

New Zealand also hosted two plenary sessions (out of three total) at the 2017 ITS World Congress in Montreal – our greatest ever representation at an international ITS event. Furthermore, Christchurch was one of five featured smart cities from around the world, this opportunity was seized through the cooperation of NZTA, the Ministry of Transport, Christchurch City Council and Christchurch International Airport to create a fantastic showcase. If we wish to further maintain this status and position, we should focus on our participation and contributions to international events such as the ITS World Congress and the ITS Asia Pacific Forum through submitted papers and attendance from public, private and academic sectors. I would like to invite you to submit your proposals for the next Asia-Pacific World Congress in Singapore in 2019. These contributions will ensure New Zealand's political capital within these events and even greater representation.

Looking at ITS New Zealand's inaugural T-Tech Conference, we have managed to arrange a showcase of both national and international experts to share and exchange knowledge in New Zealand. Having introduced Gold and Silver tiers for event sponsorship ensured that we could comfortably host such an event – thank you to our Gold and Silver sponsors, we could not have done this without you. I would like to also specifically highlight the Ministry of Transport and NZTA's fantastic initiative for Women in ITS, this sort of support is crucial for our industry to become more diverse in the future.

I am incredibly proud of our achievements over the last 12 months and am looking forward to seeing how we can further exceed the very high bar that we have already set.

I leave you with a summary of the events we have been involved with over the last year.

Best Regards,

Mohammed Hikmet
President – ITS New Zealand



ITS New Zealand International Activities since 2017

22nd -28th of October 2017 ISO TC 204 Plenary Meeting in San Antonio, Texas

Working group meetings and plenary sessions.

29th of October 2017 AP BOD meeting in Montreal, Canada

Presentation of 2022WC Host City Candidates, Report of ITS AP Forum Hong Kong 2017, Report from Singapore World Congress 2019 and Report from 16th ITS AP Forum in Fukuoka 2018.

1st of November 2017 National ITS Associations meeting in Montreal, Canada

Discussion on the theme of Integrated Mobility Driving Smart Cities. A team led by Professor Catherine Morency from Polytechnique Montréal prepared a presentation on global approaches to the creation of a Smart City that identifies common elements across smart city programs, unique elements, shared objectives, etc. Christchurch City was one of the five cities being looked at in that presentation.

2nd of November 2017 ITS World Congress BOD Meeting in Montreal, Canada

During ITS World Congress in Montreal, discussing the World congress event in Montreal and the preparations by the organiser. Discussions about the coming World Congresses and passing the Gavel to Copenhagen

6th -8th of March 2018 International Program Committee meeting in Copenhagen- Denmark,

Regional program committee meetings, General review and update, Finalising PL and Exec Sessions, presentation of SIS for each region, site visit to Congress Centre and Paper slotting.

22nd -27th of April 2017 ISO TC 204 Plenary Meeting in Seoul, Korea

Working group meetings and plenary sessions. Establishment of AI Adhoc working group.

7th of May 2018 ITS AP BOD Meeting in Fukuoka City – Japan

Selection of 2022WC Host City (Suzhou – China), Selection for 2020 AP Forum (Brisbane - Australia), ITS AP Activities and Financial report 2017, ITS AP Activities and Budget for 2018, Report from ITS WC Copenhagen and Report from ITS WC in Singapore.

16th-17th May 2018 ITS World Congress meeting in Singapore

Final report of ITS World Congress in Montreal, Update WC Copenhagen, Collaboration between regions for future world congresses, Update ITS WC Singapore, Update ITS WC in LA, Special topic discussions about Mobility as a service and Site inspections.