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# SECURING TOMORROW

# Date and Venue: October 4th 2014, Owen G. Glenn Building, University of Auckland

Securing Tomorrow, run by AIESEC Auckland, is a series of networking events aimed to enrich, inspire and develop young individuals to steer their career in the right direction and design a better tomorrow. This semester, Securing Tomorrow is focused on Information Technology

Securing Tomorrow provides the platform to bridge the gap between university students and professionals at the workplace. Young individuals are given the opportunity to form valuable networks and gain industry insight through practical knowledge from industry professionals.

Previous semesters of Securing Tomorrow, have successfully collaborated with companies including Xero, Datacom, ASB, Unilever and more. Audiences of 80-100 actively engaged students have allowed Securing Tomorrow to deliver real impact and quality through key speakers, panel discussions and interactive workshops.

This semester, we are placing emphasis on the overarching theme that technology is a crucial aspect of all businesses today. This in-turn, offers a vast range of opportunities for the current generation and we explore the idea of where IT will take us in the future.

#### CONCEPT AND OBJECTIVE

We aspire to provide students with an enhanced understanding of the IT industry, opportunities and areas of profession. Topics include:

- Overview of the possibilities: exploring the opportunities within IT and widen students perspectives
- Rapid growth: Where technology is heading in the next five to ten years
- Evolution of IT: how businesses across all industries are incorporating IT to help add value to their business model.
- Awareness of skills and competencies required for a career in IT
- Exploring what a graduate entering the IT industry can expect
- Developing communication and networking skills



# AGENDA

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| 09:30 – 10:10     | Executive Breakfast: Speakers + Panelists |
| 09:45 - 10:10     | Registrations for Attendees               |
| 10:15 – 10:30     | Introduction and Ice Breaker              |
| 10:30 - 10:50     | Speaker One + Q&A                         |
| 10:55 – 11:55     | Panel Discussion –Interactive             |
| 11:45             | Arrival of Externals                      |
| 12:05 – 13:00     | Lunch – Open Networking                   |
| 13:05 – 13:10     | Admin                                     |
| 13:10 – 14:10     | Workshop 1 – Mock Interview Simulation    |
| 14:10 – 14:25     | Feedback on Interviews                    |
| 14:30 – 14:50     | Speaker Two + Q&A                         |
| 15:00 – 15:55     | Workshop 2 – Interactive Simulation       |
| 16:00 – 16:10     | Conclusion                                |

Please note any changes will be advised closer to the date of the event.

# PANEL

The panel session is designed to consist of professionals from various backgrounds in IT, discussing a topic related to the industry. This gives a platform for students to pose questions to the professionals on the panel and professionals can impart their knowledge through experience, which adds great value to the day. Through this panel, we want to show students that IT is no longer a support function; instead it is a core integral part of most companies today. This will be achieved through a panel with a range of industry externals.

## NETWORKING

Through networking, individuals are able to share knowledge and develop relationships, while also building confidence. At the event there will be two main forms of networking.

The first is interaction based, formal networking which takes place during the carefully designed workshop. The second is a more open and organic approach to networking, taking place over drinks and refreshments at lunch and afternoon tea where professional from various firms can interact with students.

#### WORKSHOPS

The aim of the workshops is to allow industry partners to gain a clear understanding of students of today and their perspective of the industry. An inside look at the talent pool of today helps the externals to better understand the nature of the types of individuals they will recruit in the future.

Workshops will focus on the development of soft skills and will use techniques such as elevator pitches in the setting of mock interviews to build communication skills. One of the workshops will present an opportunity for mock interviews with externals. Another workshop will allow the attendees to display their creativity and soft skills through a presentation based activity.



# AIESEC

Present in over 124 countries and territories and with over 86,000 active members, AIESEC is the world's largest non-profit youth-run organisation. AIESEC's main focus is on providing an international platform for youth leadership development. It offers young people the opportunity to be global citizens, to change the world, and to get the experience and skills that matter today.

AIESEC Auckland is one of over 2,000 branches around the world that focusses on the overarching goal of empowering and developing young leaders.

Securing Tomorrow is another initiative brought to you by AIESEC Auckland, which further develops the organisation's principal goal of leadership development and empowers young leaders of today.

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