

Hello members and industry stakeholders.

This second PIA newsletter for 2025 includes:

- PIA 2025 conference: theme, pricing and discounted accommodation link
- A finalist in 2025's Safeguard Workplace Health and Safety Awards!
- New Associate Members of the PIA
- Who belongs to the PIA – how membership of our organisation works
- An update on PCANZ
- PIA AI workshops

Conference 2025, hosted by CentrePort

Tuesday September 16 - PIA Subcommittee meetings, evening networking drinks

Wednesday September 17 - Main day of conference presentations, evening conference dinner

Thursday September 18 - Morning CentrePort port tour (optional)



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SAVE THE DATE

PIA Conference 2025

16 and 17 September 2025 | Rydges Wellington
Details to follow

Proudly
hosted by

**CentrePort
Wellington**

Conference Theme: The Future at work: Technology, Productivity, Resilience

The agenda for this year's conference is coming together well and not too far in the future we'll be sharing this with you and announcing that conference registrations are open. In the meantime, here's some information on prices to attend and discounted accommodation.

PIA Conference 2025 Pricing

PIA members \$475 (+GST) pp | PIA associate members \$825 (+GST) pp | Non-members \$1,550 (+GST) pp

This pricing covers the entire conference and doesn't change if you choose not to attend some elements (ie includes Sept 16 welcome drinks, Sept 17 day of presentations + conference dinner and Sept 18 CentrePort morning port tour (optional).



Conference Accommodation Pricing

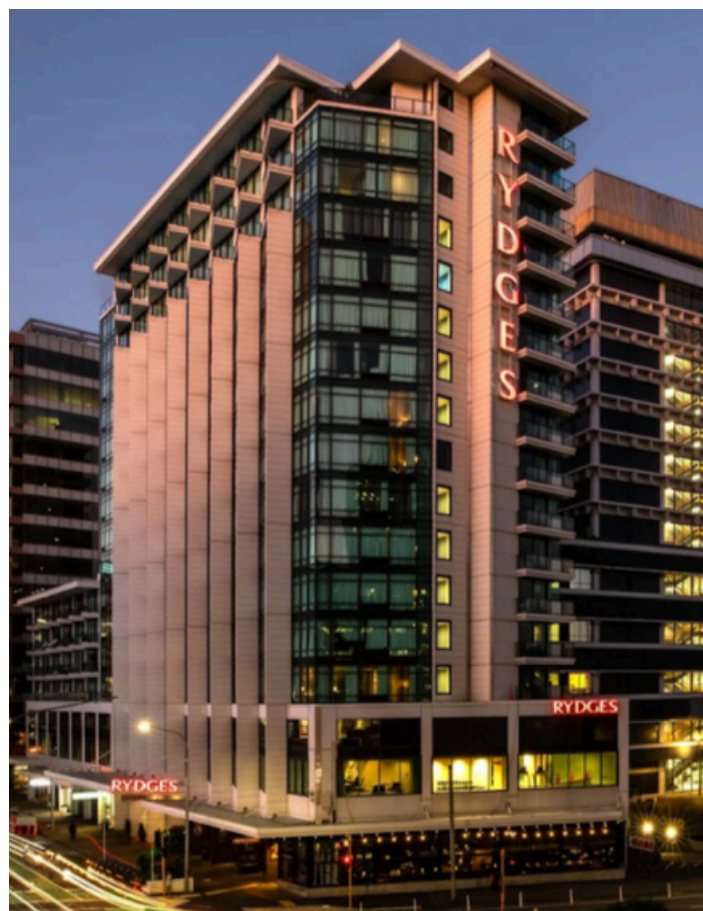
Rydges Wellington (central, not airport!) has offered us event accommodation pricing, available until just over a month before conference, when the link will disappear.

Until 11:59pm August 14, you can book a Superior King room for \$255/night via this link:

[Ports Industry Association Conference | Rydges Hotels & Resorts](#)

Note: this booking page automatically defaults to two people so change the number of guests to one if you're booking for a single.

Once the link expires anyone still needing to book accommodation will need to do so direct via the hotel, subject to availability and at the best available rate.



SAFEGUARD

The New Zealand Workplace
Health & Safety Awards 2025



A finalist in 2025's Safeguard Workplace Health and Safety Awards!

PIA Chairman Pat Kirk's submission about the formation and ongoing achievements of the Port Industry Fatigue Working Group has made the finals of the 2025 SafeGuard Awards in the Collaboration category. The PIFWG is a single sector entity created by industry for industry, solely focusing on the effective mitigation and management of fatigue risk within the port sector.

It is an entirely volunteer-led tripartite based port sector organisation which includes representatives from the port sector via the Port Industry Association (PIA), Maritime NZ, the Rail and Maritime Transport Union (RMTU), Maritime Union of NZ (MUNZ) and Merchant Services Guild. The PIFWG has developed Fatigue Risk Management System: Good Practice Guidelines, working with external specialists and academics from leading universities and organisations from across Australasia.

The PIFWG has jointly developed and implemented a National fatigue risk management system.

To check out some of the PIFWG's many outputs, engaging webinars about fatigue management and the FRMS guideline document are on the PIA website at portindustry.co.nz/fatigue-management

It's heartening to see other people and companies associated with the PIA have made the Safeguard finals too. We congratulate them all and wish them good luck for the award night.

Convenor of the five-person judging panel and Safeguard Editor, Peter Bateman, says: "Getting through to be a finalist in the face of some stiff competition is certainly worth celebrating."

Winners of each category of the awards (more correctly called the New Zealand Workplace Health and Safety Awards 2025) will be announced at a gala dinner in mid-June.



Welcome to our new Associate Members

Up until recently engineering firm Page Macrae was the PIA's only Associate Member. Businesses that provide products and/or services to the Port industry can apply to become this category of member, subject to PIA Executive Committee approval.

Recently New Zealand maritime lawyers Oceanlaw NZ, transport and logistics insurance specialists TT Club and global consultants in marine, ports and harbours, and ISPS maritime security ABL Group have also joined us as Associate Members. We'd like to thank these companies for their support and look forward to working with them in the future. If you'd like to know more about these businesses, their website addresses are listed with their logos below.

As the PIA evolves, we're receiving more enquiries about becoming PIA associate members. Our standard membership is held by the organisation (eg South Port, C3) and applies to all of that organisation's employees. Similarly, PIA Associate Membership is held by the company.

The application forms for PIA associate membership and for PIA standard membership can both be found on the PIA's website at portindustry.co.nz/why-be-a-member-or-associate-member



oceanlaw.co.nz



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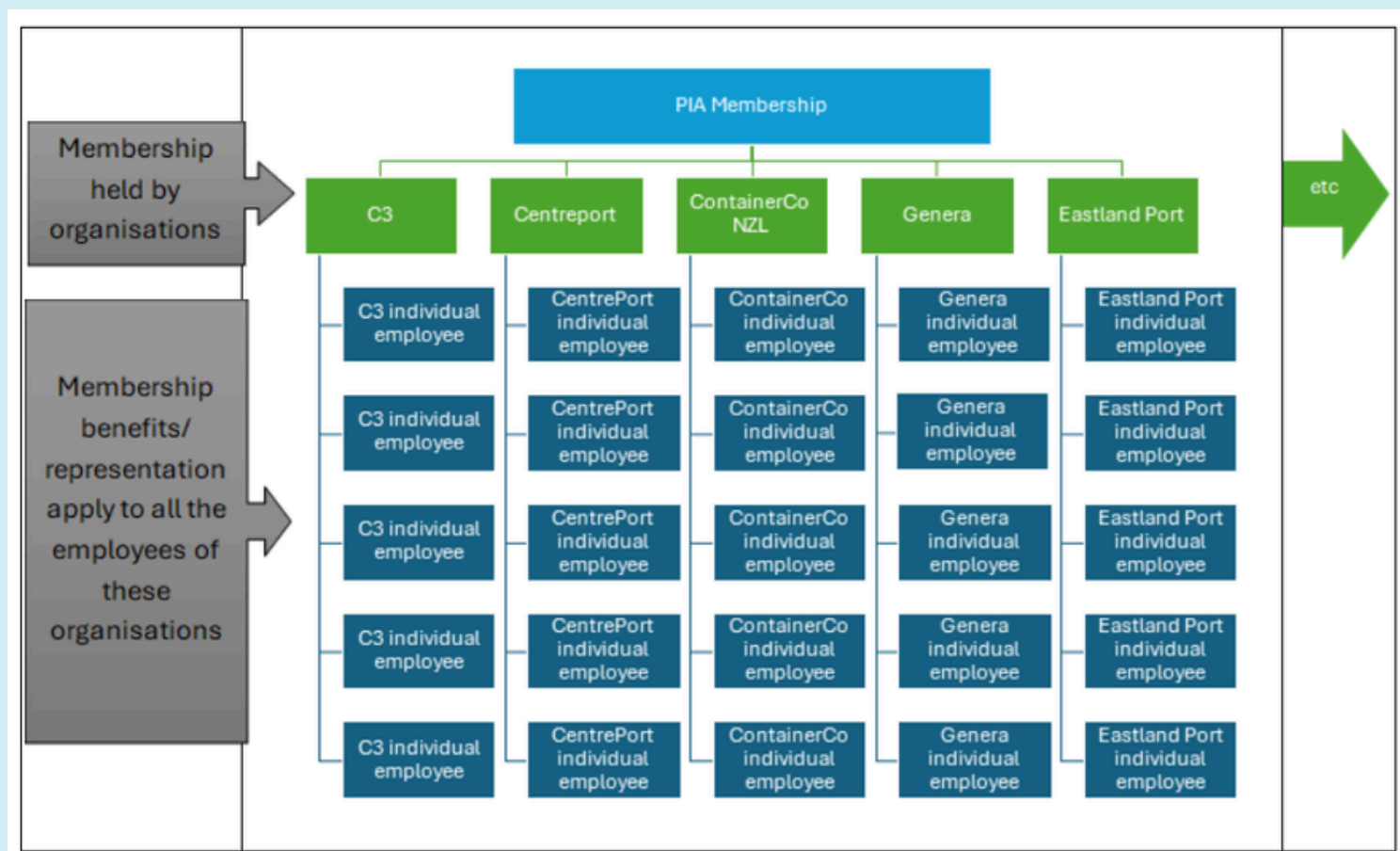
page-macrae.co.nz



<https://abl-group.com/abl/>

Who belongs to the PIA – how membership of our organisation works

Many organisations charge individual people to belong, but this is not the case with PIA membership. Our membership is made up of companies, such as South Port NZ Ltd and ContainerCo NZL Limited. These companies pay annual PIA membership fees and all of their employees are covered by their membership.



Communicating with employees whose companies hold PIA membership

It isn't feasible for the large firms who are PIA members to hand over a list of all their employees to the PIA.

That's why the PIA asks anyone whose company belongs to the PIA to subscribe to the PIA newsletter, so we can communicate with individuals via that. You can subscribe (and unsubscribe yourself at any time) at the sign-up form you'll find at the bottom of every page of the PIA's website at <https://portindustry.co.nz/>

PCANZ Returns to Association Management

The Port and Crane Academy of New Zealand (PCANZ) is now back under the direct management of its founding associations – the Crane Association of New Zealand (CANZ) and the Port Industry Association (PIA).

This transition follows a recent review and reset, undertaken to strengthen PCANZ's long-term sustainability and success.

Over recent months, PCANZ has navigated a number of challenges, particularly as the vocational education landscape continues to evolve. A strategic shift was necessary to ensure training delivery could move forward effectively.

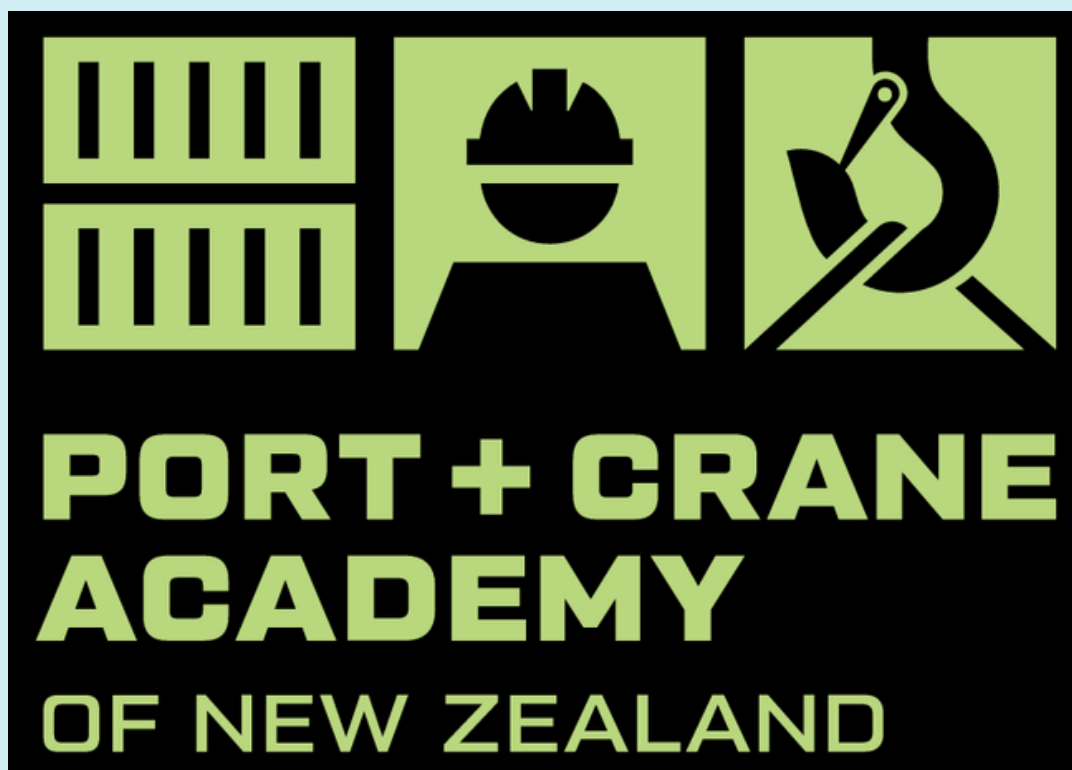
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To support this next phase, the shareholders have appointed Deane Manley as interim caretaker director. With a full handover now complete, momentum is building.

Bringing PCANZ back under association management reflects a renewed commitment to transparency, industry alignment, and delivering value to members.

We are working through what qualifications we can currently offer and will update members on this soon.

Thank you for your continued support.



Upcoming PIA AI workshops

There's been a good response to the upcoming half-day AI workshops which the PIA organised for interested members to attend in Tauranga and Christchurch in July. Some 44 participants have signed up for these workshops, which will be run by AI expert Dr Elsa Botha, who spoke at our 2024 conference. The workshops were organised in response to the rapidly evolving potential of AI in ports and port-related industries and will be highly interactive, emphasising immediate, applicable insights and business-driven outcomes suitable for all participants.



And to close, a reminder...

...2026 will be the PIA's 50th anniversary!

