

Ako Aotearoa Southern Regional Forum

19 August 2025 | Christchurch



Cultivating Thought Leadership and Excellence in
Teaching | Shaping the Future of Education

He Whakatipu Hautūtanga Whakaaro me te Akoako
Kounga | Hei Hanga i Te Anamata o te Mātauranga

Nā āheitanga ā-mātauranga,
ko angitū ā-ākonga
Building educational capability
for learner success

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Programme

Note: This programme is subject to change

Time	Action
8.30	Registration Opens
9.00	Mihi whakatau
9.15	Welcome / Overview - MC
9.25	Cultivating Thought Leadership – Cheryl de la Rey, Tumu Whakarae Vice-Chancellor, University of Canterbury, Te Whare Wānanga o Waitaha
10.00	Kōrerorero / Discussion Session One
10.45	Morning Tea / Te Paramanawa o te Ata
11.05	AARIA - AI Research Project – Dr Selena Chan and team
11.30	Kōrerorero / Discussion Session Two
12.10	Te Whatu Kairangi – Tākuta Phil Borell, 2024 Winner Kaupapa Māori Award
12.40	Lunch / Tina
1.20	The Future of Education – Eruera Tarena, Kaiwhakatere, Tokona Te Raki
2.00	Shaping Tomorrow: The Future of Education Panel – Chair Tai Samaeli, ACE Aotearoa
2.45	Afternoon Tea / Tea Ahiahi
3.00	Tokona Te Raki – Māori Futures Collective
3.45	Poroporoaki – MC