

## Canterbury Software Summit 2011 will be biggest ever

When: Thursday, 8 September 2011  
Time: 11:45am - 8:00pm  
Where: Addington Raceway, Christchurch  
Register: Visit <http://canterburysoftwaresummit.eventbrite.com/>

**Press release, 6-September-2011, Canterbury Software Cluster, Christchurch, New Zealand:** The Canterbury Software Summit & UCONZ combined event on Thursday, 8 September now has over 450 delegates registered, far surpassing organisers' expectations. Registrations close on Wednesday at 5.00pm.

The agenda has been finalised and has something for everyone in the ICT industry, from informative technical sessions to inspiring business success stories. The speaker line-up includes Peter Townsend, CEO of the Canterbury Employers' Chamber of Commerce, David Brebner of Unlimited Realities and Phil McCaw of Movac. Keynote speeches will feature high profile expatriates Dr Craig Nevill-Manning of Google, appearing via live videoconference from New York, and Andrew Lark who moved from industry giant Dell to Australia's Commonwealth Bank in July. The full event programme is available on the [Canterbury Software Summit](#) website.

"We're pleased to see many of our long term members and supporters on the registration list, as well as many new names – this kind of interest and turnout bodes well for the future of the ICT industry in Canterbury. The theme of 'competing in the international market' clearly resonates with the tech community here," says David Johnstone, Chair of the Canterbury Software Cluster Committee. "I'm also looking forward to the UCONZ ICT and Innovations showcase, as I anticipate several university-business partnership success stories will result from introductions and connections made at this event."

The Summit, the first in the [Rutherford Innovation Showcase](#) series, is free to attend thanks to the sponsorship of JOOB, Clarus, NZTE, IBM and NZICT. Idealog and Computerworld have also signed on as media sponsors.

### About the Canterbury Software Cluster

The Canterbury Software Cluster (Canterbury Software Inc.) is Canterbury's leading professional association dedicated to advancing software innovation, commercialisation and export. It helps to develop globally successful technology companies through collaboration and education for businesses small and large. The non-profit organisation is run by a voluntary committee and has over 200 members.

<http://www.canterburysoftware.org.nz>

### About UCONZ

University Commercialisation Offices of New Zealand (UCONZ) was formed in 2005 to bring together the commercialisation offices of the country's universities and to establish closer links with commercial research partners.

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