

# About the speakers

Hans Rat, Secretary-General, International Union of Public Transport (UITP), Brussels



Hans Rat was born in 's-Hertogenbosch, Holland in 1945. He was Chairman of the UITP's International Commission on Transport Economics, a vice-president of the UITP and a member of the European Union Committee.

Hans joined the UITP as Secretary-general in 1998. He lives in Brussels and in the old silver town of Schoonhoven, near Utrecht.

We are delighted to welcome Hans Rat to New Zealand.

## Wolfgang Schilha, Vice President; Bus Driveline Technology Business Unit, ZF, Germany



Born in 1951, Wolfgang studied Industrial Economics in Germany and joined ZF in 1968. He was responsible for sales & application engineering responsibilities in Europe & the USA before developing ZF's truck & bus transmission business in Asia, South East Asia, Australia, and New Zealand.

Up until 1993 Wolfgang was Head of Sales for ZF worldwide and from 1994 to 1995 he was Head of all ZF Global Sales & Service Compa-

nies. Since 1996 he has been Vice President of the Bus Driveline Technology Business Unit, with product responsibilities for Automatic & Manual Transmissions and Electric Drives, with production locations in Germany, France, Hungary, Brazil, Japan and in China.

Wolfgang Schilha is an excellent speaker and we are privileged to have him in New Zealand.

### Paul MacDonald, Wrap-up Speaker



With five Olympic medals and six world championship medals (including six golds) Paul MacDonald is undoubtedly one of New Zealand's most successful international athletes.

Paul's successes in rowing in West Germany and at the Seoul Olympics, either individually or in partnership with Ian Fergusson gained him wide recognition and immediate respect around the world.

More recently Paul has co-ordinated the very successful Dragon Boat Races and has appeared on the popularTV series Clash of the Codes.

Paul is a articulate speaker whose dedication to his goals and determination to succeed are an inspiration to everyone who has the good fortune to hear him.

Don't miss this inspiring conclusion to our 2001 Conference!



Hamilton's new Transport Centre

# Social programme

#### Sunday 8 July – Opening Cocktail Party

Get the Conference off to a great start with our Opening Cocktail Party sponsored by Lowe Schollum and Jones / Lumley General Insurance. Meet old friends, make new ones, swap gossip about the year. The party will be held in the trade show and includes light finger food.

Dress is smart casual.

#### Monday 9 July - Restaurant Hopping

Your Conference Committee has been hard at work, scouring Hamilton for the best in cuisine for a progressive dinner. As a result, we've lined up seven restaurants around the city and transport's all arranged.

Meet back at the Quality Hotel for desserts and coffee, when the bar will be open to round the evening off.

We appreciate PPG Industries sponsorship for the evening. During the evening the PPG Bus & Coach Image Award winner will be announced.

Dress is smart casual.

#### Tuesday 10 July –Mobil Oil's "Jazz it Up" Dinner

The Mobil night is always the social highpoint of Conference and this year's will be no exception! Not only will Mark Hadlow compere the night, there'll be the opportunity to dine and dance with top six-piece jazz band Dr Jaz.

Mark's face will be well-known to you from TV advertising or perhaps the stage either in New Zealand, Australia or Edinburgh. He's one of NZ's most versatile performers and will be a polished and entertaining MC for the night.

Dr Jaz, lead by Neil McKenzie from Tauranga, is the first New Zealand band to appear at the prestigious New Orleans Jazz and Heritage Festival. They were one of a handful of international acts to appear at this event last year, and have been performing in this country for more than 20 years.

We thank Mobil Oil (NZ) Ltd for their continued sponsorship of this important night.

Dress is after five.



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All business sessions will be beld in the Quality Hotel, Hamilton

#### SUNDAY 8 JULY 2001

1500 hours 1930 hours	Registration desk opens Cocktails followed by a light dinner in the trade show area
	The evening is sponsored by Lowe Schollum & Jones / Lumley General Insurance
MONDAY 9 JU	LY 2001
0900 hours	Welcome to Hamilton - Neil Clarke, Chair of Environment Waikato
0915 hours	Keynote speaker - Hans Rat, Secretary General, UITP Hans Rat is the CEO the world's premier public transport organisation, the International Union of Public Transport, representing bus and rail operators in more than 56 countries.
1030 bours	Morning tea

- 1115 hours Wolfgang Schilha, Vice President; Bus Driveline Technology Business Unit, ZF, Germany.
   Developments and changes in bus and coach driveline technology
- 1230 bours Lunch and time to take in the trade show.

1430 hours Sector seminars -

SCHOOL TRANSPORT Alan Wilcox, Independent Observer The school transport tendering round for 2001 – the documents, process and what the Tender Evaluation Committee will be looking for.

URBAN TRANSPORT Martin Gummer, CEO Transfund What's happening with urban transport funding, the North Shore Busway, urban transport corridors, and road funding.

TOURISM & LONG DISTANCE John Moriarty, CEO, Tourism Industry Association NZ The tourism industry's vision for tourism and Tourism NZ.

- 1530 bours Conclusion and afternoon tea in the trade show
- 1815 hours Meet at the Quality Hotel for buses to start "Restaurant Hopping" - a unique tour of Hamilton's finest dining experiences.

Sponsored by PPG Industries NZ Ltd. During the evening the winner of the inaugural PPG Bus & Coach Image Awards will be announced.

### **TUESDAY 10 JULY, 2001**

0900 hours The BCA's 29th AGM, followed by a general debate on issues of importance to members. Have your say!

1100 hours	Conclude the general debate, an opportunity to view the trade show before lunch. <i>Tea and coffeewill be available.</i>
1200 hours	Lunch in the trade show
1300 hours	Coaches depart for a visit to Kiwi Bus Builders' new factory in Tauranga. All delegates, partners and exhibitors are welcome to come on this trip.
	Afternoon tea at Kiwi Bus Builders.
1730 hours	Arrive back at the hotel
1930 hours	Cocktails in the trade show area, followed by the Mobil Oil NZ Ltd "Jazz it Up" dinner at the Quality Hotel.
WEDNESDAY	11 JULY, 2001
0845 hours	Tony Alexander, Chief Economist, BNZ Back by popular demand, Tony will give us the benefit of his insights into the prospects for the country's economy and life under the Labour-Alliance

0930 hours John Collyns, Executive Director, BCANZ The 54th UITP Congress, London – report to members on the event, looking at new bus technology, initiatives in marketing, and other relevant material.

Government.

1000 hours Hon Mark Gosche, Minister of Transport - Questions from the floor

1100 bours Morning tea

- 1130 hours Robin Dunlop, General Manager, Transit NZ Last year Dr Dunlop's session generated some interesting debate - this year he'll update us on Transit's work on axle weights and related matters.
   Questions from the floor
- 1215 bours Lunch and time to take in the trade show
- 1330 hours Hon Marion Hobbs, Associate Minister of Education The tendering round how it will work, the MoE's criteria, and what you need to know to get the best chance of success.
  Questions and discussion from the floor

1500 hours	Wrap-up speaker - Paul MacDonald,
a fille a star	NZ Olympian.

1600 hours Conclusion and trade show break-down

#### THURSDAY 12 JULY, 2001

1000 hours The Great Bus Auction starts. Don't miss this superb opportunity to get a bus, coach or limousine as well as those hard-to-find parts at competitive prices!

The auction will be run by Auto Auctioneers at their premises, Te Rapa Rd. Transport from the hotel will be provided.

See the separate publicity regarding the bus and parts auction. All vehicles, equipment and parts for auction must be registered on the accompanying form, and the registration fees paid by 30 June 2001.