

United Nations Association
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Canterbury Branch
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Public Meeting

Saturday 23rd February 7.30pm

**Wellington International Conference with
400 delegates from 90 countries**

Cluster Munitions Treaty

18-22 February 2008

Reporting Straight from the Conference Negotiations

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UNANZ Special officer for Peace and Disarmament

Matt McGrath

President, United Nations Youth Association of New Zealand

UN DPI/NGO Conference

New York - September 2007

Climate Change:

How it impacts us all

Diane Winder

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The Presenters

Robin Halliday (MNZM) is the United Nations Association Special Officer for Peace and Disarmament, and representative on the National Consultative Committee on Disarmament (NCCD). She has been involved in the Cluster Munitions conference organising the workshop on detection/demining with researchers and NZDF deminers, as well as developers of demining equipment.

Diane Winder is business consultant and trainer, with extensive experience in the United States in leadership development and knowledge systems in technology and bioscience markets. She is now director of Sephira Ltd, National Vice President of UNANZ and President of the Rodney Branch. She attended the last UN DPI/NGO conference (the conference for NGOs) in September last year.

Matt McGrath, originally from Christchurch, is a third year law student at Victoria University of Wellington in law and politics, He has been involved in a wide range of Model UN programs, has been President of the Wellington Region Youth Association (UNYANZ) and is now National President.

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Who are we?

UNANZ is a non-government organisation and an approved charity made up of volunteers, aimed at promoting understanding of, and engagement with, the UN. We welcome participation from anyone who would like to contribute towards our aims, whatever your interests and skills may be.

We have branches across New Zealand and are a member of The World Federation of United Nations Associations ([WFUNA](#)) which provides links with other United Nations Associations throughout the world and with the United Nations itself.

What do we do?

UNANZ helps educate people: about the activities of the United Nations and its agencies, New Zealand's involvement, and how to get involved.

We support the ideals embodied in the UN Charter and the crucial role of the U.N. at the centre of multilateral cooperation to promote peace and security, development and human rights for all.

We are involved in a number of activities including:

- ❖ forums and advocacy on issues relating to the UN and UN Renewal,
- ❖ annual speech awards for high school students, this years theme is UN: Human Rights in a Sustainable World
- ❖ together with or through our youth association UNYANZ, run Model United Nations events
- ❖ working with NGO's and others to access the UN.
- ❖ developing a website to offer a window to the world and the [United Nations](#) for your own interest or research and provide links to [United Nations System](#) websites and related sites.
- ❖ working in coalitions ie Council for International Development Point Seven ODA Campaign, the Aotearoa/NZ Make Poverty History Coalition, and the NZ Human Rights Film Festival.

Events for 2008

National Conference in Auckland, 30 May to 1st June, featuring the role of the UN in Human Rights in the Pacific.

A current focus is working together with others to raise the importance of finding ways to achieve the [Millennium Development Goals](#), [Global Security](#) and [UN Renewal](#).

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