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## CILT NORTHERN SECTION NEWSLETTER August 2013

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Civil Defence Update

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Annual Forum and Awards  
Presentation Dinner

### Our Committee

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### Inside this issue

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- Coverage of the CILT Annual Conference
- Details of the September visit

### Message from our New Chair

As I take on the role of Northern Area Chair I would like to firstly thank the departing Chair Larisa Oglezneva for her contribution over the last couple of years. Larisa has brought a big personal commitment to the committee and I am glad that she will be continuing on as a Committee Member going forward. I would also like to thank Nigel Oliver who has stepped down from the Committee this year.

Moving forward we have a couple of new additions to the Committee team, Allyson Wood and Lincoln Wood. The first challenge we have is the Annual CILT Forum and Awards Evening. This will be held on the 17<sup>th</sup> October at the Crowne Plaza and I would personally encourage members to register for what is shaping up to be an exciting programme with presentations from the NZTA and DHL and with site visits to see the tunnel boring machine 'Alice' at Waterview and Pacifica Ships. The awards evening is the highlight and I will personally be looking forward to catching up with a few people during the evening. More importantly these events give us time to network and socialise with others across the industry.

Once we get through the Conference there are a few challenges and opportunities the Committee will be setting its mind to. On the list this year are increasing our membership, varying the types of network and event opportunities, training and young professionals. Once we get through the Conference we will focus our minds to these key issues. Any thoughts members may have on each of these areas will be useful.

As I conclude there is a short story I would like to share with you. There was a gentleman who received an invitation to meet with the Dalai Lama. The one stipulation was that he was only allowed to ask one question. Having thought about this for a number of weeks the time finally came to meet with the Dalai Lama. The gentlemen had considered his question long and hard. Finally his time came. The Dalai Lama asked the gentleman "Son what is your one question for me?" The gentleman responded "Dalai Lama, if you have reached a crossroads and you can either go left or go right which one do you take?" The Dalai Lama thought about this and responded "Son, it does not matter if you go left or go right. What matters is that you move forward." As we move forward I will leave that as my final thought.

**Mieszko Iwaskow, Chairperson, Northern Section CILT**

### Sponsorship Opportunities now available for our Annual Forum

*Your chance to get in front of hundreds of member companies!*

### Message from our Outgoing Chair

I just wanted to say thank you to the Northern section members for their trust and support during those two years. It was an interesting experience for me and I have learned a lot from you.

Thank you to the committee members for their hard work and their commitment to CILT and Northern section.

I would like to welcome our new Chairman Mieszko Iwaskow and wish him all the best in this very demanding and challenging role.

**Larisa Oglezneva, Northern Section, CILT**



## **CILT Forum & Conference, AGM and Gala Dinner**

**Crowne Plaza Hotel,**

**128 Albert Street, Auckland City.**

**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2013 from 10.00am**

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### **Sponsorship Opportunities**

This is your opportunity to promote your company to a targeted audience at very low cost. Sponsorships are available in Platinum, Gold, Silver and Bronze options, and range from cash sums, to sponsoring part of the event such as buses, drinks and morning tea. Publicity materials will be sent to over 800 members. There will be approximately 100 attendees during the day, and 200 for the dinner. Please request an information package from the Sponsorship Convenor, David Willmott at [david@CUTS.org.nz](mailto:david@CUTS.org.nz) or 09 413-8633.

***For maximum exposure be sure to confirm before the initial flier deadline of 21st August.***

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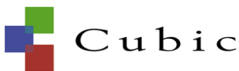


### **Award Nominations Closing 31st August**

Recognising people in our industry is part of our role as a professional body. It is vital that we nurture those who are starting out so that we build a legacy for the future. It is also important that we show appreciation for members that have given years of their time and expertise ; in doing so, we will encourage others to follow in their footsteps. And we need to reward companies in our industry who demonstrate innovation as they are the ones that will propel our industry forward. It's easy to nominate someone you know! **Visit the link at [info@cilt.co.nz](mailto:info@cilt.co.nz).**

There are three categories. Here are some examples of the awards:

- The CILT Award for Implementation and Practice
- The CILT Award for Safety, Security and Environmental Innovation
- The Norman Spencer Memorial Medal for Contribution to Transport and the Institute
- The CILT Award for the top student in the CILT International Certificate in Logistics and Transport taught in New Zealand



## AYUBOWAN – GREETINGS FROM THE CILT INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE IN COLOMBO, SRI LANKA

Ayubowan! This traditional Sri Lankan greeting translates into a wish to long life. May you live long! In late 2012 I was privileged to be awarded the NZ Young Achiever Award for the Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport (CILT). A great achievement but also a fantastic prize in that I was put forward for the International Young Achiever of the Year award in Colombo, Sri Lanka as part of the 2013 CILT International Conference. The Conference, which was held in early June, proved to be an inspiring mix of cultures and ideas from across the globe. A range of current topics for the logistics and transport industry were covered from a wide collection of international speakers. These included addresses from the CILT President Dr Dorothy Chan, the launch of the new CILT brand, some thought provoking presentations on Women in Logistics and Transport (WILAT) and an opportunity to hear about Maersk's new Triple E liner from Vice President Chinthaka Jayaweera (<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1zc1fPrRgrg>).



The hospitality of the Sri Lankan organisers coupled with a mixture of cultures from across the world made for a colourful and energetic few weeks. As a young professional (YP) attending the Conference it was good to see the high number of other YPs from a wide range of CILT groups and professions. On the first day of the conference all YPs held a separate session which was aimed at getting more connected and discussing some of the key themes facing the logistics and transport sectors today. As a transport planner I found myself at the heart of this debate with infrastructure in both developed and developing countries being a constraint and enabler for logistics.

In addition to the conference there were numerous opportunities for networking including a themed Sri Lankan night which required all international delegates to wear full Sri Lankan dress! It would be remiss of me not to see some of Sri Lanka while I was there and made sure I took some time to see some of Colombo's hot spots, ride the tuk-tuks through the congested streets of downtown Colombo and visit the growing Colombo Port. Covering over 4.8km<sup>2</sup> the Seaport at Colombo is one of the busiest Ports in the World with a strategic geographic location in the Indian Ocean. In recent years there has been further expansion of the Port which will increase the annual container handling capacity from 4 million TEUs to approximately 12 million TEUs. It was great to see some of the development in progress and from an engineering perspective the size of the walls built to protect the Port from a future Tsunami.

Onto the awards night. Despite suffering some food poisoning I did not let it deter my spirits picking up one of the runner up positions for the CILT International Young Achiever of the Year award with representatives from Sri Lanka and Australia joint winners. However, the main prize was the experience in participating in the conference, sharing ideas and the new contacts made. For YPs in CILT it is an exciting time with better opportunities than ever to connect through our different global groups. Many of these can be found on sites such as Linked In and Facebook. An inspiring week with a lot of thoughts and ideas to bring back to New Zealand and also some new global friends within CILT.



**Mieszko Iwaskow, Chairperson, Northern Section CILT**



## Cosco Ship Visit

Cosco hosted another enjoyable ship visit on Friday 19th July. This time, visitors toured the Aglaia. She was built in 2011 with a dwt of 52788 and a TEU capacity of 4178. She was calling at three other NZ ports before heading off to Japan.

## Visit to NZ Post

This was a well attended visit to this state-of-the-art distribution centre. Some guests took advantage of our CILT Northern 1 + 1 initiative by bringing along a workmate.



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## CIVIL DEFENCE VISIT IN SEPTEMBER



Auckland's topography and location influences the region's climate making it susceptible to a range of extreme weather events. These include tropical cyclones, tornadoes and extreme rainfall causing flooding and landslides. Tropical and ex-tropical cyclones are generally associated with heavy rainfall, high winds, and storm surge. Ex-tropical cyclones are often the cause of Auckland's most extreme weather leading to extensive flooding, wind damage and coastal inundation. Come and hear about this and Auckland's other Hazards which could impact your business at anytime.

**Date: 17<sup>th</sup> September 2013, 1400 hours**

**Venue: Auckland Council Civil Defence and Emergency Management – Level 1, Bledisloe House, Wellesley Street, Auckland CBD.**

**Please register your interest with [Janice.miller@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz](mailto:Janice.miller@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz)**