



The South Canterbury Chamber of Commerce

# Export and innovation cluster

Supply chain pain and international risk, where to from here?

We've all become familiar with the term 'supply chain' due to the disruption to international trade, but what does it really mean? Come and hear from experts in the logistics and import/export industries as they discuss the impact of supply chains and international risk on business, and their plans over the next 12 months.

**Date:** 11 August 2022  
**Time:** 3pm – 4pm Presentation, followed by  
4pm – 5pm Networking  
**Venue:** BNZ Upstairs Meeting Rooms, 247 Stafford St,  
Timaru Central, Timaru 7910

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# Panellists



## Adrian Gray | Aorangi Customs & Freight

After 20+ years on the road as a rep for various companies Adrian was approached to see if he was interested in a change of direction. In 2019 he started the study to gain his customs broker ticket. In September 2021 Grant Gilbert who had owned the business for 20 years offered him the opportunity to purchase the Aorangi Customs & Freight and the sale went through late September.

The freight industry has seen some of the greatest upheavals in recent times. On a daily basis there are new challenges, shipping, and freight schedule changes, so no day is ever the same.

Aorangi Customs & Freight has been locally owned and operated in Timaru for over 35 years. With three customs brokers and administration staff we specialise in helping importers and exporters with fast efficient customs clearance.

As independent brokers we aim to work in partnership with our clients to obtain the best possible solutions. We can offer advice to anyone considering importing or exporting, right through to arranging freight to and from most destinations worldwide.



## Anthony Griffin | CEO - Lynn River Ltd

Lynn River is a leading importer and distributor of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) based in South Canterbury. Lynn River sources safety products from approximately 20 countries around the globe and its main customer markets are New Zealand and Australia.

Anthony joined Lynn River in 2011 as Marketing Manager and was appointed as CEO in December 2019. Covid-19 has resulted in global supply shortages resulting in major price impacts and compounded by more general supply chain impacts associated with freight, electricity supply, and factory shutdowns. Lynn River has managed its supply chain disruptions through investment in stock planning software, prioritising strategic customers, and effective communication across the full supply chain.



## Zara Mends | NCI - Managing Director

Zara Mends is a Trade Credit Insurance specialist with a background in broking and account management. With over 16 years' experience in the industry, Zara has worked with businesses of all sizes and across a wide range of industries to tailor trade credit solutions. As the Managing Director, NZ at NCI Trade Credit Solutions, Zara is responsible for all aspects of business operations including business development and client services.

NCI offers a complete range of trade credit services helping clients to safeguard their business from bad debts and to integrate better credit management practices. NCI is one of the leading trade credit insurance brokers in New Zealand and Australia with offices at all major capital cities in Australia, Auckland, Wellington, Christchurch, and Singapore. With over 36 years of experience, NCI have developed an unmatched depth of expertise in arranging the right protection, at the best price, for their client's needs.

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