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Preparations are well advanced for the **2008 NZARES conference** to be held in **Nelson on Thursday 28th and Friday 29th August** at the Tahuna Conference Centre.

Registrations

We encourage you all to **get your registrations in by 1st August** at the latest. You can download registration forms from the NZARES website www.nzares.org.nz. A late registration fee will apply to all registrations after 1st August.

Speakers and Papers

This promises to be a great conference with 50 contributed papers to be presented in 16 sessions over the two days. There will also be three plenary sessions with four invited speakers. The draft programme will be posted on the NZARES website shortly. The conference will start at 9.20 am (registration from 8.30 am) and will close at 3.30 pm on the Friday.

Our keynote speakers are:

- Ralph Townsend (Chief Economist Ministry of Fisheries)
- Julie Collins (MAF Manager, Climate Change Policy)
- Alex Sundakov (Executive Director Castalia),
- Chris O'Donnell (AARES President, Associate Professor, University of Queensland)

Contributed paper sessions include Climate Change and Pricing, the Dairy Industry, Fisheries (Policy, Regulation and Valuation in four sessions), Agribusiness Success, the Waikato River Settlement, Environmental Valuation, Modelling and Micro-simulation, Policy and the Rural Sector, Forestry and Development, Lake Rotorua and Emissions Trading.

Dinner

The conference dinner on the Thursday night will be held at the Tahuna Conference Centre, which is an easy walk to suggested accommodation. Local humorist, cartoonist, author and fishing writer, Daryl Crimp is shore to entertain us after dinner with some "Whopper Fishing Tails and True Fishing Lies".

Accommodation

You should book your own accommodation. We expect that most people will stay at the Beachcomber Motel (03-548 5985) 10 minutes walk from the conference – or at the Tahuna Holiday Camp (03 548 5159) – which has self contained units and tourist flats etc.

Contributed Papers

Full Papers are due by Friday 22 August 2008 and should be emailed to the NZARES secretary. matthew.newman@dairynz.co.nz Matthew Newman, DairyNZ, Private Bag 3221, Hamilton.

Data shows and laptops will be available in all rooms. You will be responsible for loading your own presentations.

Please bring at least 20 hard copies of your paper to the conference.

AARES Conference - Cairns February 2009

We are hoping for some high quality applications for the **East West award** which will help you with the cost of attending the AARES Conference in Cairns. Further details will be provided at the conference.