

# *Regional Identities & Coastal Communities of the Pacific*

**The 24th annual conference  
of the New Zealand Studies Association (NZSA),  
together with the University of Aveiro**

**Aveiro, Portugal, 27-30 June 2018**

## **Keynote speakers:**

- **Dr Felicity Barnes**
- **Professor Sue Farran**
- **Chief John Kasaipwalova**
- **Elizabeth Knox**
- **Professor Martin Lodge**
- **Dr Malcolm Maclean**
- **Associate Professor Anthony Ritchie**
- **Associate Professor Margaret Werry**
- **Professor Rob Wilson**

## **A 4-day international conference**

with coach excursion, wine tasting and conference dinner.  
The Conference venue is the University of Aveiro, near to  
the Atlantic Ocean and the white sandy beaches of the  
Costa de Prata.

The New Zealand Studies Association has a long and strong history in promoting New Zealand Studies, which now extends within the region through its twice-yearly *Journal of New Zealand and Pacific Studies*. Building on the successes of the conferences in Strasbourg (2017), Lugano (2016), Vienna (2015), Oslo (2014), Nijmegen (2013), Gdansk (2012), Frankfurt (2009), Florence (2008), London (2007), and Paris (2006), this major event will be held at the University of Aveiro.

Proposals for 20 minute papers to be sent by 15 February 2018 to Ian Conrich ([ian@ianconrich.co.uk](mailto:ian@ianconrich.co.uk)). Abstracts need to be between 200 and 250 words with a bio added of 100-150 words. Papers can consider all topics related to the Pacific and New Zealand, with priority given to papers that address the themes of 'regional identities' and/or 'coastal communities'. We are particularly interested in papers that consider space and place in relation to the coast, beaches and beyond. However, interpretations of the theme are broad and can include national, urban and rural identities, town and country, gender and ethnicity, cultural expressions and local industries, the environment and climate change. The conference fee includes annual membership to the NZSA, which for 2018 includes a twice-yearly journal. A selection of papers from the conference will be published in the refereed *Journal of New Zealand and Pacific Studies*, published by Intellect.

## **The conference will accept proposals on a range of subjects including the following:**

history, literature, film, music, art, cultural studies, sociology, geography, tourism, war studies, politics, international relations, identity and multiculturalism, anthropology, Māori Studies, Pacific Studies, archaeology and museum studies.



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