



Electricity Engineers'  
Association

**THE FUTURE IS FLEXIBILITY**

**First Steps, FlexTalk**

**PROGRAMME**



**TUESDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> JUNE**

**TE PAE CONVENTION CENTRE**

**CHRISTCHURCH**



## PROGRAMME

### Scene Setting: The Why - Flexibility and OpenADR - MC Peter Berry

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| 9.00am | <b>Welcome and introduction</b>                           | Peter Berry, EEA Chief Executive                      |
| 9.10am | <b>Why flexibility is needed and NZ's energy strategy</b> | Nicole Kirkham, MBIE                                  |
| 9.30am | <b>Overview of the FlexTalk Project</b>                   | Rodger Griffiths, Electronet   FlexTalk Project Chair |
| 9.50am | <b>The Flexibility Plan and link to FlexTalk project</b>  | Craig Evans, FlexForum                                |

## BREAK 10.05 — 10.25am

### The Future is electric: Benefits of the new world and approaches to flexibility - MC Rodger Griffiths

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| 10.30am | <b>Our NZ Perspective:</b> Market led value to customer   | Eric Pyle, SolarZero   |
| 10.45am | <b>Consumer Drivers:</b> Bringing the consumer on the flexibility journey   | Evie Trolove, Orion  |
| 11.00am | <b>Practicalities of FlexTalk Project</b><br>Terry Paddy, Cortexo   Isabelle LeQuellec, Orion   Michael Richardson, Transpower  <br>Astad Kapadia, OpenLoop   Rob Speirs, Evnex |  |
| 11.50am | <b>EDB Panel Discussion:</b><br>Keeping the lights on in a new flexible world   | Ryno Verster, Powerco   Glenn Coates, Aurora  <br>Sam Elder, Orion   Nicolas Vessiot, Transpower |

## LUNCH 12.20 — 1.00pm

### Flexibility in practice - MC Stuart Johnston

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| 1.05pm | <b>Retailers:</b> How flexibility might shape customer base in the future | Ryan Kuggeleijn, Meridian   Briony Bennett, Ara Ake   Luke Cartmell-Gollan, Simply Energy |
| 1.26pm | <b>Retailer Panel Session:</b> Asset management in Flexible world         | Ryan Kuggeleijn, Meridian   Briony Bennett, Ara Ake   Luke Cartmell-Gollan, Simply Energy |
| 2.00pm | <b>EECA on the value of open international standards</b>                  | Brian Fitzgerald, EECA   FlexTalk Project Representative                                  |

## BREAK 2.10 — 2.30pm

### Where we are going to: What to watch out for - International perspectives - MC Brian Fitzgerald

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| 2.35pm | <b>Australian perspective:</b> Australia's Flexibility Journey – where are they at? | Lachlan Blackhall, Australian National University |
| 3.00pm | <b>European perspective:</b><br>Summary of what is happening in Europe              | Rolf Bienert, OpenADR Alliance                    |
| 3.25pm | <b>Question and Answer Session</b>  | International speakers                            |
| 3.40pm | <b>Closing Remarks</b>  | Peter Berry                                       |

## 4.00pm - Cyclone Gabrielle: Learnings on Resilience

## 5.30pm - Registrations and Technology Exhibition: Opening