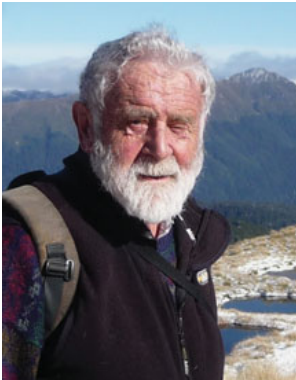


APPEAL FOR A WISE POLITICAL RESPONSE TO OUR DETERIORATING WORLD

A group of 100 celebrated and widely respected New Zealanders recently launched an appeal to all political parties to design robust cross-party strategies and policies to avert the following risks and give future generations the best chance of security, peace, social justice and opportunity for all.



Emeritus Professor Sir Alan Mark, Department of Botany, University of Otago.

The leader of this appeal, Emeritus Professor Sir Alan Mark, (Department of Botany, University of Otago), is celebrated for his involvement in many organisations and issues, will be speaking at the University of Waikato in both Hamilton and Tauranga to promote the five objectives of the appeal.

Sir Alan Mark is one of New Zealand's leading plant ecologists, specialising in the ecology of indigenous ecology of tussock grasslands, alpine lands, wetlands, shrublands, forests and lakeshores. He was one of the first to break the cloak of academic silence to speak out on a wide range of conservation issues. He first became actively involved in conservation over the raising of Lake Manapouri and played a key role in linking science with conservation. He is a Forest and Bird Conservation Ambassador and was a president (1987-1990); and the first Chairperson of the Guardians of Lakes Manapouri and Te Anau. Sir Alan was made a fellow of the Royal Society of New Zealand in 1987 and was a member of National Parks and Reserves Authority and later the New Zealand Conservation Authority. Now retired, he is still actively involved in conservation. He was made a knight for his conservation work in 2010.



TAURANGA

Date: Wednesday 12 June 2013
Time: 6.00pm
Venue: Lecture Theatre 104
University of Waikato, Tauranga
Bonguard Centre, 200 Cameron Road
Tauranga

HAMILTON

Date: Thursday 13 June 2013
Time: 6.30pm
Venue: Room SG.02
University of Waikato
Gate 8, Hillcrest Road
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