



Media alert – Wellington

Connect Smart Week Gears Up

9 October 2016 – Cyber security in the workplace is the focus of this year's Connect Smart Week, which runs from 10-14 October 2016.

Employees at all levels have a key role to play in protecting the information that belongs to their workplace. By recognising online risks, they may prevent information theft or business disruption.

Connect Smart week starts with a launch event at Parliament at 9.30am tomorrow (Monday), hosted by the Minister for Communications, Hon Amy Adams.

With the support of Connect Smart partners, events will take place in Auckland, Wellington and Christchurch.

Other events in Wellington include a cyber threat simulation game, a Cyber Strategy Action Plan Workshop, businesses and government agencies running their own campaigns, and more.

During Connect Smart week, organisations across the country are encouraged to run activities to help employees to understand what to do to protect themselves online and prevent cyber incidents. Connect Smart resources are available to help.

We know already that at least 30 organisations are planning to promote Connect Smart in their workplace, use the resource kit, or run an activity.

Kiwis can assess how cyber smart they are and learn tips through a new online quiz, 'How Cyber Smart Are You?' on the Connect Smart website.

Other Connect Smart resources include tip sheets, a glossary and videos available on the Connect Smart Website and the NZ Police Facebook page, as well as cyber tips from Ministers on Facebook.

This year, New Zealand is also working closely with Australia on cyber security as they run their [Stay Smart Online week](#). Both countries have recognised that cyber security is fundamental to our economic prosperity in a world increasingly linked by the Internet.

– For more information about Connect Smart Week and initiatives during the week, visit ConnectSmart.govt.nz

Events in Wellington

Monday 10 October:

- Launch Event - Parliament
- MBIE Managers session with Philip Whitmore, Partner, KPMG Cyber

Tuesday 11 October:

- [Game of Threats](#) - Parliament
- Wellington Action Plan Workshop – Deloitte
- [Hutt Valley Library Cyber Security Series](#) – Hutt Valley

Wednesday 12 October:

- [High Tech Youth Network](#) Webinar

Thursday 13 October:

- Minter Ellison Breakfast
- Duo, AWS and Xero education event

Friday 14 October:

- N/A

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