Politics Live at the FSC & Workplace Savings Conference

The Financial Services Council and Workplace Savings NZ have today confirmed three leading NZ politicians will be speaking at the 'Navigating Change' conference on 7-8 September.

Richard Klipin, FSC CEO, said 'Just a few weeks out from what promises to be a fascinating election, we are delighted to welcome three remarkable politicians as speakers at this year's conference'.

"In particular having the Minister of Finance and his Labour counterpart speaking on successive days promises to deliver an intriguing insight into National and Labour's campaign thinking on major sector issues such as KiwiSaver and tax policy."

Hon Stephen Joyce, Minister of Finance and Minister of Infrastructure will be speaking on Thursday 7 September at 9.30am.

Grant Robertson, Labour's spokesperson for Finance, Employment and Arts, Culture and Heritage will be speaking on Friday 8th September at 10.15am.

Hon Jacqui Dean, Minister of Commerce and Consumer Affairs, Minister of Small Business and Associate Minister for Local Government and ACC will be speaking at the Gala Dinner on Thursday 7th September. Ms Dean will also be presenting the industry awards at the Gala Dinner on 7 September.

For more information about the event and to discover the full conference programme, visit the event website www.navigatingchange.co.nz or visit the Facebook page facebook.com/financialservicescouncil

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Information about the FSC

The FSC represents investment and life insurance companies in New Zealand. The FSC has 16 member companies and 14 associate members. Companies represented in the FSC include the major insurers in life, disability, income, and trauma insurance, and some fund managers and KiwiSaver providers. Law firms, audit firms, and other providers to the financial services sector are represented among the associate members.

The FSC's purpose is to:

- be recognised as an organisation that represents the interests of the New Zealand financial services industry, including to regulators and Government;

- promote best practice and integrity in the financial services industry, including through the institution of codes of conduct, standards and the publication of guidance for industry participants;

- promote the financial services industry for the economic benefit of New Zealand and to enhance the sustainability of the industry, whilst recognising the primacy of the interests of consumers;

- develop and promote evidence-based policies and practices designed to assist New Zealanders to build and protect their wealth;

- promote the financial services industry as a medium for investment and protection for consumers;

- promote, assist and generally advance the interests of members.

Information about Workplace Savings NZ

Workplace Savings NZ is a not-for-profit apolitical membership organisation representing the interests of employers who offer workplace retirement savings schemes, their trustees and their members, other retirement scheme managers and supervisors, retirement savings industry service providers and professional advisers. WSNZ's membership embraces all types of retirement schemes (KiwiSaver, workplace savings and superannuation schemes) and participants who are public and corporate, union-sponsored and industry-based.

The objective of WSNZ (which works closely with the Financial Services Council) is to be the Voice of Workplace Savings - advancing the sustainable, effective, and efficient delivery of workplace savings outcomes for all involved, including the workplace savings scheme members who remain key to the organisation. WSNZ aims to do this through advocacy, education, networking and promotion of the sector.