

# NATIONAL LIBRARY & LIANZA

## RELATIONSHIP AGREEMENT

Between

**THE SOVEREIGN IN RIGHT OF NEW ZEALAND ACTING BY AND THROUGH THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS**, being the Government Department responsible for the National Library of New Zealand (Te Puna Mātauranga o Aotearoa) (**National Library**)

and

**LIBRARY AND INFORMATION ASSOCIATION OF NEW ZEALAND AOTEAROA TE RAU HERENGA O AOTEAROA** being the operating name of the New Zealand Library Association incorporated under the New Zealand Library Association Act 1939 (**LIANZA**)

### RECITALS

- A. The National Library and the Alexander Turnbull Library (an entity within the National Library) are part of the Department of Internal Affairs Information and Knowledge Services Branch. The role of the Information and Knowledge Services branch is to:
  - a. manage the storage, preservation, and conservation of knowledge, information, heritage collections and taonga; and
  - b. promote efficient and innovative access to those collections for the benefit of government and New Zealanders.
- B. LIANZA is the recognized official body through which **recommendations** for Aotearoa New Zealand library services are made to the government and other organisations. These recommendations are often concerned with the **wider social, cultural and educational** needs of Aotearoa New Zealand citizens.
- C. The parties, acting within the framework of their respective powers and responsibilities and guided by the principles of trust and mutual benefit, affirm their desire to work in partnership to achieve mutually agreed objectives.
- D. The parties share an interest in collaborating to further the knowledge system of New Zealand and have identified a number of areas where such collaboration may be focused.
- E. The parties wish to enter this agreement to establish mutual expectations, commitments and responsibilities for collaborations and programmes including (without limitation):
  - a. supporting sector capacity building and workforce planning;
  - b. working in partnership to ensure the successful hosting of the IFLA World Library and Information Congress in 2022; and
  - c. services, facilities and resources to be provided by each party;
  - d. encouraging membership of and participation in the activities of LIANZA and this agreement.



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#### SCOPE

**The parties agree to work together, where mutually beneficial, on enriching the cultural and economic life of New Zealand, but with particular emphasis on:**

- working effectively with Māori, honouring Te Tiriti o Waitangi obligations and understanding the needs and expectations of Māori in relation to library services;
- strengthening the profession through leadership training and workforce development;
- supporting training providers to deliver world class library and information qualifications in the New Zealand context;
- improving the discovery, access, protection and use of information and knowledge resources by developing sustainable and interoperable systems for sharing; and
- improving national systemic impact on education and literacy outcomes for young New Zealanders by supporting a future focused learning landscape, literacies and the creation of readers.

#### OPERATING PRINCIPLES

- In relation to each annual period (being 1 July to 30 June) the parties should develop and agree in writing a work plan of proposed objectives and activities for that period. The parties will work together in good faith to agree work plans provided that each party will have discretion about what it agrees.

**In relation to each agreed work plan, the parties will:**

- work together to achieve mutually agreed objectives outlined in that work plan;
- collaborate within a framework of mutual trust, confidence and integrity;
- support open and transparent decision-making;
- maintain open communication about major changes or strategies which may impact the other partner, either positively or negatively; and
- acknowledge that emergent issues need to be addressed and actions may change in order to achieve the stated goals of each party.
- Neither party will be liable for any costs or expenses incurred by the other party in relation to any work plan or otherwise under this agreement unless otherwise agreed in writing before that cost or expense is incurred.



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### REPORTING AND REVIEW

**The Parties will communicate regularly and meet at least quarterly to discuss the following:**

- the operation of this Agreement; and
- work plan objectives and activities (both existing and proposed new ones).

### DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVES

Each party will designate a relationship manager to be responsible for coordinating the agreement of the annual work plan.

### TERM

- This agreement is effective from the date that it is signed by both parties and will continue until terminated in accordance with its terms.
- This agreement may be amended at any time by written mutual written agreement of the parties.
- The agreement should be reviewed every three years.

### TERMINATION

- Either party may terminate this agreement without cause by giving 30 days written notice to the other party.

### ADVERTISING/PROMOTION

- No party will use the name or logo of the other or release any advertising or publicity regarding this Agreement or any associated activities without the prior written consent of the other, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld.

### GENERAL

- Any differences or disputes which may arise between the Parties relating to any matter under this Agreement will be settled by consultation and negotiation between the Parties, or failing that, through mediation by a mutually agreed third party. Each Party will bear its own costs in relation to the mediation.
- Neither party may make any representation or enter any commitment on behalf of the other party without prior written agreement.

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### FOR NATIONAL LIBRARY



Name: BILL MACNAUGHT

Position: NATIONAL LIBRARIAN

Date: 13 June 2019

### FOR LIANZA



Name: Paula Eskett

Position: LIANZA President

Date: JUNE 13, 2019