

BASIC INCOME NEW ZEALAND INCORPORATED (BINZ)

Our Incorporated Society 'BASIC INCOME NEW ZEALAND INCORPORATED' (BINZ) would like to request affiliation with your international organisation BIEN.

The following actions have been achieved as we work to set up BINZ to begin our campaign to bring the 'universal basic income' to the forefront of New Zealand's public awareness. Governmental social policies are becoming increasingly punitive and we think that a universal basic income has much to offer as we look to the future.

Our Society has gained incorporated status. Incorporation is dated from 22 July 2015.

We have developed a website at: <http://www.basicincomenz.org/>

We have also set up a Facebook page:

www.facebook.com/BINZ-Basic-Income-New-Zealand-822330264514287/timeline/?ref=bookmarks
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We have produced our first newsletter and first press release.

We have written a constitution and until our first AGM we have an Interim President: Lowell Manning, a Treasurer: Karl Matthys, Membership Secretary: Lorraine Butler and Secretary Gaylene Middleton. We will have our first AGM in the first half of 2016.

At present we are considering various designs for a logo.

Lowell Manning has a long association with the Universal Basic Income model and is a life member of BIEN.

The catalyst for the formation of BINZ was Professor Guy Standing's visit to New Zealand early this year. Professor Standing very kindly accepted an invitation from the Humanist Society of NZ to address a small conference "Future Directions of Humanism" held in Napier 13-15 February 2015

There has been a long Universal Basic Income tradition in NZ. Initial discussions and the formation of groups advocating this economic model began in the 1990's. The intent of BINZ is to continue this work. Affiliation with BIEN will strengthen this endeavour.

We ask that you will consider affiliating BINZ with BIEN.

We would be happy to answer any questions that you have when considering our affiliation request.

Sincere Regards

Gaylene Middleton

Secretary BINZ

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