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## World fisheries expert visits New Zealand

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Outspoken and world-renowned fisheries scientist Dr Daniel Pauly visits New Zealand next week to promote marine conservation.

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Named one of the 50 most influential scientists in the world, Professor Pauly heads the University of British Columbia Fisheries Centre and is famous for his big picture research on the state of global fisheries and as an advocate for marine protection to safeguard the future of fisheries resources.

At the invitation of the Department of Conservation, he will visit Auckland, Wellington and Christchurch from 17-22 August to share the results of his research on world-wide fisheries trends and participate in discussions on the steps needed to protect the oceans.

Dr Pauly is a world authority on declining fish stocks and their response to environmental pressures, ecosystem fluctuations and commercial fishing.

Says Pauly: "If commercial fishing is not heavily regulated, there will be little left to harvest in the seas outside of the lowest levels of the food chain. So you don't need to worry about these problems as long as your children like plankton stew."

Credited with coining the concept of "shifting baselines", Pauly argues that each generation accepts the current state of fish stocks and diversity of marine life because they can't quantify stories about past bounties of the seas. That results in an ever-shrinking expectation of what to expect from a fishery, he says.

According to Pauly and his colleagues, the problem can only be remedied by a reduction in global fishing effort and the creation of significant no-take zones where fish can grow large, breed and replenish and ecosystems flourish.

This is a rare opportunity to hear Dr Pauly and find out why

he claims the oceans are in such trouble. Free public talks:

Tuesday, 17 August, 7.30-9.30pm, Auckland Girls Grammar School Auditorium, Howe Street, Auckland.

Thursday, 19 August, 6.30-7.30pm, Lecture Theatre 1, Rutherford House, Victoria University, Wellington.

Friday, 20 August, 7.30-9.30pm, Christchurch, venue to be announced.

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## Politics



### **Resolution On The Desecration Of Makara Cemetery**

5:17 pm Human Rights Commission

### **Staffing, logistics and access remain challenging**

4:30 pm World Vision New Zealand

### **Unemployment Rises For Sole Parents**

4:28 pm Lindsay Mitchell

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### **Housing strategy inadequate to solve crisis**

12:27 pm Public Health Association

### **Unemployment Rate at 4.0 Percent**

12:19 pm Statistics New Zealand

### **Packaging Accord**

11:29 am Local Government NZ

### **170,000 Voters Missing From Electoral Roll**

10:49 am New Zealand Post

### **Democrats Delighted With Decisions**

10:32 am Democrats

### **170,000 Voters Missing From Electoral Roll**

10:30 am Electoral Enrolment Centre

### **Million Dollar Church vs. 'The Sinners'**

10:22 am Against Conservative Fundamentalism

### **Campaign for Affordable Housing - Submission**

9:49 am Campaign for Affordable Housing

### **Security of tenure critical**

9:44 am Campaign for Affordable Housing

### **McCains workers reject pay cut**

9:35 am Engineering Printing and Manufacturing Union

### **Leaders Support Condemning Attack On Cemetery**

5:49 pm Human Rights Commission

### **Dr. Cullen's call-in 'Think Big II'?**

5:47 pm Forest And Bird

### **Victory For Environmentalists And The RMA**

5:30 pm Fish and Game New Zealand

### **Australian Co. Wins \$500 Mn Contract For NZ Navy**

5:23 pm Australian Government

### **Rare Maui's dolphin threatened by trawling**

5:19 pm WWF

### **Gov. Called To Back Intl. Tribunal For East Timor**

5:13 pm Indonesia Human Rights Committee

### **Judgement TVNZ Vs AG Re: Ahmed Zaoui Interview**

4:16 pm Ministry of Justice

### **Intolerance And Its Consequences**

12:33 pm Civil Union Bill Support Society.

### **Lavendar Islands Survey**

10:59 am Lavender Islands

### **Hate Speech Inquiry Unnecessary**

10:33 am Christian Heritage Party

### **13 Port Company CEOs Submission - Foreshore Bill**

10:25 am Port Companies

### **SPCA Hails Dogtail Bill's Progress**

9:52 am Royal New Zealand SPCA

### **Violations to Jewish graves**

4:17 pm National Council of Women

### **Wages Fail to Reflect Acute Skills**

4:10 pm New Zealand Council of Trade Unions

**Waitakere Peace City Concert**

3:54 pm Waitakere Peace City

**Image: Tail Docking Is To Avoid Injuries Like This**

3:17 pm NZ Kennel Club

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