

Energy Efficiency and Conservation Authority (EECA) – Board Member Opportunities

The Energy Efficiency and Conservation Authority (EECA) is a Crown agent established under the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Act 2000. EECA's mandate is to encourage, promote, and support energy efficiency, energy conservation, and the use of renewable energy sources in New Zealand.

The Minister of Energy is seeking expressions of interest for five member roles from candidates with a background and experience in the following areas:

Key Areas of Expertise Sought:

- 1. Energy Efficiency (Demand-side Management):** Deep knowledge of energy efficiency practices and demand-side management.
- 2. Gas Sector:** Experience with industrial energy systems, process heat, and transition pathways for gas-using sectors.
- 3. Distributed Energy, Technology & Innovation:** Specialist understanding of solar PV, distributed energy resources, batteries, flexibility markets, and digital/controls innovation.
- 4. Strategic Finance:** Strong capability in public sector finance, complex investment oversight, financial strategy, and value-for-money assurance.
- 5. Community Engagement:** Proven experience in community and stakeholder relationship management, consumer perspectives, and environmental oversight.

General skills relevant to members of a Crown entity board

- Proven governance experience, including board or senior leadership roles.
- Strategic agility and the ability to provide direction in a rapidly evolving sector.
- Demonstrated leadership and sound judgment in complex, multi-stakeholder environments.
- Strong stakeholder engagement and relationship management skills, including the ability to work constructively with industry, government, and community groups.
- Financial acumen, with experience in overseeing complex investments, public sector finance, or value-for-money assurance.
- Effective communication and influencing skills, with the ability to represent EECA's interests to diverse audiences.
- Experience in risk management and the ability to identify and respond to emerging challenges.
- Collaborative approach and the ability to work as part of a high-performing, multidisciplinary board.

How to Apply:

Click the **"Apply now"** button below to submit your application online.

Please list in your cover letter the specific member role(s) you would like to be considered for.

For further enquiries, please contact boardappointments@mbie.govt.nz.

Applications close at 11:59pm on XX 2026.26.

Energy Efficiency and Conservation Authority (EECA) – Chair of the Board

The Energy Efficiency and Conservation Authority (EECA) is a Crown agent established under the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Act 2000. EECA's mandate is to encourage, promote, and support energy efficiency, energy conservation, and the use of renewable energy sources in New Zealand.

The Minister of Energy is seeking an outstanding governance leader to serve as Chair of the EECA Board. The Chair will provide strategic leadership and effective governance, ensuring the Board delivers on its mandate and supports EECA's continued delivery.

Key Responsibilities:

- Provide leadership to the Board, fostering a culture of integrity, collaboration, and high performance.
- Guide the Board in setting EECA's strategic direction and overseeing its implementation.
- Ensure effective governance and compliance with statutory and public sector requirements.
- Represent EECA at the highest levels, engaging with Ministers, government agencies, industry leaders, and stakeholders.
- Facilitate constructive Board discussions and decision-making, ensuring all voices are heard and consensus is achieved.
- Support the ongoing development of the Board
- Appoint the Chief Executive and review their performance.

Key Skills and Experience Sought:

- Extensive governance and leadership experience at board level, including a proven track record as a chairperson.
- Exceptional relationship management and stakeholder engagement skills, with the ability to build strategic partnerships across industry, government, and community sectors.
- Demonstrated experience working with ministers, senior public sector officials, and navigating complex political environments.
- Strategic vision and the ability to provide clear direction in a dynamic and evolving sector.
- Strong communication and influencing skills, with the ability to represent the Board and EECA at the highest levels.
- Commitment to collaboration, consensus-building, and fostering a high-performing board culture.
- Willingness to dedicate the time and energy required for an active leadership role.

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