



Netsafe announces Brent Carey as new CEO

The Board of Netsafe is pleased to announce the appointment of Brent Carey as the New Chief Executive Officer of Netsafe from 3rd May. Brent is currently New Zealand's Domain Name Commissioner.

Brent has broad and extensive experience in regulatory, privacy, safety and response environments. Along with a good understanding of both local and global online industries and a commitment to community safety. He has previously held senior positions at the Australian Telecommunications Ombudsman and the Victorian Department of Justice.

Over the last four years in New Zealand, Brent has promoted and advocated for fairness in the .nz domain name market and led responses to domain name abuse.

Brent brings strong stakeholder management experience and technical awareness to the role of Netsafe CEO and is a member of several international bodies, including the International Council for Online Dispute Resolution and the crisis response working group of the Global Internet Forum to Counter-Terrorism.

Locally, his memberships include the Arbitrators' and Mediators' Institute, the Institute of Company Directors and Te Āti Awa iwi. He is currently a member of the Executive Committee of Rainbow Wellington and a founder of Taranaki-based, Green Meadows Beef.

Chair of the Netsafe Board, Colin James said: "We are thrilled to have someone of Brent's calibre and experience join the Netsafe team."

"His track record and depth of international and NZ experience in online safety makes him the ideal CEO to secure Netsafe's position as the trusted source of leadership, best practice, research, support and education for online safety."

Brent Carey said: "Netsafe is an iconic Kiwi organisation and I'm excited about helping it grow, to enable everyone in Aotearoa New Zealand access digital opportunities confidently and reduce online harm."

"I look forward to joining the Netsafe team, building on the great foundations and successes of the past and leveraging its brand strength across the sector to influence purposeful change for all New Zealanders."

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About Netsafe

Netsafe is an independent non-profit organisation with an unrelenting focus on online safety. We keep people of all ages safe online by providing free support, advice and education. Visit netsafe.org.nz for free resources and to report incidents of online harm.

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