



## MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Between the

**Australasian Institute of Emergency Services**

And

**Response and Recovery Aotearoa New Zealand**

The Australasian Institute of Emergency Services (AIES) and Response and Recovery Aotearoa New Zealand (RRANZ) both have an interest in furthering the training and development of individuals working in the emergency management sector.

**WHEREAS**, AIES is a professional association and has stated its objectives are to:

- provide opportunities for members to connect and exchange information.
- provide professional development promoting contemporary emergency management practices for members.
- recognise exemplary emergency management practice by members, individuals and organisations.
- to represent members on reviews of national education packages, standards development and inquiries.

**WHEREAS**, RRANZ is a social enterprise formed to enable individuals working in the emergency management sector in New Zealand to access contemporary industry specific leadership and advanced skills education and training.

**WHEREAS**, to accomplish the above goals both parties support the sharing of information and events that promote greater skills and knowledge amongst members of AIES and RRANZ alumni.

**WHEREAS**, both the AIES and RRANZ recognise the importance of a strong mutual partnership between Australia and New Zealand in the event of a catastrophic disaster in either country. This partnership can be strengthened through pre-event collaboration.



**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Australasian Institute of Emergency Services (AIES) and Response and Recovery Aotearoa New Zealand (RRANZ) do hereby agree to develop a working relationship to enhance the sharing of information and development opportunities.

**FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the intent of this Memorandum of Understanding is to symbolise our cooperation and contribute to enhanced opportunities for our respective member groups.

Both AIES and RRANZ agree that neither party will affiliate the other with any public policy position without prior written consent. This will not prevent either party pursuing their own agenda.

This Memorandum of Understanding can be cancelled by either party by providing 30 days written notice to the other party.

This Memorandum of Understanding shall be reviewed after a period of two years from the date of signing unless circumstances require that it be reviewed earlier.

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AIES National President Name: Robert Maul Date: 27 <sup>th</sup> February 2023	RRANZ Chairman Name: David Johnston Date: 9 <sup>th</sup> March 2023