



## **Dr Kate Calcott**

### **Science and Innovation Officer, British High Commission, New Zealand**

Kate Calcott is the Science and Innovation Officer at the British High Commission and was appointed to the position in September 2017. Kate is part of the UK's global Science and Innovation Network, which uses international collaboration to enhance the UK's economic growth and maintain scientific excellence. She works with the science and innovation communities in New Zealand and in the UK to encourage new collaborations and deepen existing relationships.

Prior to this role, Kate worked at New Zealand's Ministry for Primary Industries developing and implementing the Ministry's science, forestry and horticultural policies and strategies. Kate is also a member of Sir Peter Gluckman's (New Zealand's Chief Science Advisor) Science Policy Exchange, a group of early career professionals who discuss issues at the science-policy interface.

Kate holds a PhD in Ecology and Biodiversity through Victoria University of Wellington in partnership with Plant & Food Research Ltd.