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## Kiwi Members Enjoy Presentations and Networking

On 23 November 2017, the New Zealand branch held its last function for the year at the Generator event space in central Auckland. The event offered members the opportunity to hear about some of the topics presented at the federal conference in Melbourne the month before and to share a drink with their MLAANZ associates before Christmas.

Felicity Monteiro, a partner at Wilson Harle, was part of the panel discussion in Melbourne on the ethics of ship arrest. Felicity presented on some of the scenarios that were discussed in Melbourne, identifying the issues that were raised by the panel, and invited the audience to add their own thoughts in a specifically New Zealand context.

Paul David QC also spoke at the event, picking up on another panel discussion in Melbourne on developing a practice in arbitration. Paul had recently attended the International Congress of Maritime Arbitrators. He gave some background to the congress and discussed the benefits of, and the work required to, attend and present at such a gathering.

After the presentations, the New Zealand members enjoyed drinks and canapes, catching up with familiar faces and meeting some new ones.

The New Zealand branch committee is now looking forward to the annual New Zealand branch conference. The committee invites members to save the date — the conference will be held on Friday, 25 May 2018 at Goldie Estate on the beautiful Waiheke Island. Further details will follow in due course.

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