## John van der Zwan





Executive Director, SIEBA

Topic: Student Welfare: The one time it is best to have all your eggs in one basket.

## Speaker Bio:

John van der Zwan is the Executive Director for SIEBA. SIEBA begin in July 2015 to provide leadership, build commercial capability, and drive growth in international education for the school sector. Since then, SIEBA has grown to now represent more than 400 New Zealand primary, intermediate and secondary schools and is still growing.

Combining careers in business and education, and a love for travel, John served in a range of schools and businesses in New Zealand, China, South Korea, Nigeria and Cambodia. In 2011, John returned to New Zealand with his family to take up the role of International Director for Wahi College. He then played a key role in the early development of SIEBA. In 2015, he was appointed the interim Executive Director to lead the establishment of SIEBA and he now heads the organisation as the Executive Director.

John lives with his family in Athenree, close to Wahi Beach.