

Julie Sommerville



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Speaker Bio:



While Julie was working as a secondary teacher, she always enjoyed the interaction she had with international students in her classes, so was delighted when the opportunity arose for her to work as an International Director.

Initially, she supported students from the Pacific Islands, mostly on MFAT scholarships, then a shift to a new school in 2001 enabled her to work developing the first Code of Practice documents for her school while supporting students from Europe and South East Asia. Later, when retiring from full time work, she was pleased to work with an exchange agency sending kiwi students overseas, and for Hausch and Partner, as their New Zealand representative, troubleshooting when challenging situations arose. She has consequently seen NZ International Education from many angles.

With this background, and as a parent of a daughter who went on exchange to Germany as a teenager, Julie has become deeply committed to the concept of international student exchange and to supporting students who are lucky enough to fulfil their dream of studying overseas. She loves spending time with her family, travelling, kayaking, reading, working in her garden and being at the beach!

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