

Academy

## **Seminar Series** 18 May 2011



## Mātānuku Mahuika

## The Marine and Coastal Area (Takutaimoana) Act: 2010: Where To From Here?

MANU AO and the New Zealand Centre for Public Law (Te Wānanga o ngā Kaupapa Ture ā Iwi o Aotearoa) warmly invite you to a workshop entitled The Marine and Coastal Area (Takutaimoana) Act 2010: Kahui Legal Where to from here? We take this opportunity to consider the likely challenges and opportunities that will arise by the testing of the new legislation. The setting is an academic workshop including the perspective of a senior legal practitioner.

The workshop will begin with a 15 minute presentation by Māori Party MP Rāhui Kātene (Ngāti Koata, Ngāti Kuia, Ngāti Toa, Kāi Tahu) on the history of the Foreshore and Seabed Act 2004 leading up to the enactment of the new legislation. Next will be a 25 minute presentation by Kāhui Legal founding partner Mātānuku Mahuika (Ngāti Porou, Ngāti Raukawa) followed by a 20 minute interactive question & answer session. The workshop will be chaired by Carwyn Jones, (Ngāti Kahungnu and Te Aitanga-a-Māhaki) lecturer of the Law Faculty, Te Kura Tātai Ture of Victoria University.

Matanuku Mahuika of Ngāti Porou and Ngāti Raukawa is a highly experienced lawyer having been in corporate and private practice since 1991. Prior to establishing KAHUI LEGAL, Matanuku was a partner at Walters Williams & Co and in-house counsel at the Treaty of Waitangi Fisheries Commission. He provides advice on a wide range of corporate, commercial, Treaty settlement and public law issues. Matanuku has acted on a number of Treaty of Waitangi settlements and is the principal legal advisor for Ngāti Porou in relation to foreshore and seabed negotiations with the Crown. He has also acted for a number of iwi in the establishment of mandated iwi organisations to receive fisheries assets and post settlement governance entities. Matanuku is currently a director and deputy chairman of Aotearoa Fisheries Limited, which is the largest Māori-owned fisheries company in New Zealand, owning 50% of Sealords and a number of other subsidiary companies.