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Gabriel Makhlouf
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on

New Zealand's International Connections as a Contributor to Economic Growth

Bio: Gabriel (Gabs) Makhlouf is one of two deputy chief executives at Treasury, a role he has filled since March 2010. His career has previously been in the UK civil service - at the Inland Revenue, HM Treasury and HM Revenue & Customs – during which he had responsibilities for policy development on domestic and international tax, and welfare. He has also chaired the world's main tax rule-making body at the OECD, and served as Principal Private Secretary to the then Chancellor of the Exchequer, Gordon Brown.

On 1 June he will be addressing the NZ Institute of International Affairs on the importance that Treasury attaches to international connections as a contributor to economic growth. He will discuss the important role that domestic policy settings have in making New Zealand an attractive destination for people, capital, trade and ideas; the benefits that can flow from strong people-to-people relationships; and the challenges NZ faces as we deal with increasing economic integration, particularly in the Asia-Pacific region.

Gabs returned recently from a visit to China, accompanying the Minister of Finance at the annual Bo'ao Forum for Asia and meeting senior government and business leaders in Beijing and Shanghai.

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Date & Time: 5.30 pm Wednesday 1 June 2011

**Venue: Lecture Theatre 2, Rutherford House, Pipitea Campus,
Victoria University of Wellington. (entrance Bunny Street)**

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