Agritech: Innovating Towards Sustainability Itinerary

Thursday 23rd May

7:30am - Agritech: Innovating Towards Sustainability Launchpad Breakfast

Location: Mountain Club Queenstown (85 Beach Street, Queenstown)

Topics: About Mountain Club | Why Central Otago? | Coffee | Breakfast | Networking

Mountain Club Queenstown is home to a community of entrepreneurs creating positive impact in Central Otago. They are passionate about developing deeper connections and partnerships with industry leaders. The perfect place to kick-off our 2-day immersion.

9:30 - Bus Depart

11:00 - Shining the Spotlight on Soil Microbes in Diversified Farming Systems

Location: Tinwald Farm

Topics: About Tinwald Farm | Soil Microbiome | Farming Biodiversity

Tinwald Farm focuses on the biology of soils and how they interact within the ecosystem. They take great care to protect their biggest asset, the soil. They follow a science-led approach to improve soil ecology and performance with sustainability being a key focus.

12:45 - Bus Depart

13:00 - Lunch at Forest Lodge Orchard

14:00 - The World's First 100% Electric, Zero Fossil Fuel Orchard

Location: Forest Lodge Orchard

Topics: About Forest Lodge Orchard | Growing the Best Cherries | Benefits of Electrification

Forest Lodge Orchard is the cornerstone for NZ's climate-conscious agriculture movement. In an industry known to produce high emissions, they're stepping up to the challenge and driving zero fossil fuel use in agriculture.

16:00 - Launch Event: Agritech Activator

17:30 - Bus Departs

18:00 - Check In at Oakridge Resort, Wanaka

19:00 - Dinner at Stoaker Room, Wanaka

21:00 - End Day 1

Friday 24th May

7:00 - Breakfast at Oakridge Resort, Wanaka

8:00 - Bus Departs

9:00 - Tackling the Climate Crisis Through Technology-assisted, Regenerative Farming

Location: Lake Hāwea Station

Topics: About Lake Hāwea Station | Carbon Sequestration | Regenerative Agriculture

Lake Hawea Station is the first climate positive farm in Australasia. Critical to the team are nutrient management, water quality and sustainability. They have set lofty goals to protect and enhance our waterways, conserve and restore biodiversity and introduce regenerative farming practices.

11:00 - Bus Departs

12:00 - Lunch at Peregrine Estate - Bendigo

12:30 - Maintaining a Sustainable Viticulture Operation Across Generations

Location: Peregrine Estate - Bendigo

Topics: About Peregrine Estate - Bendigo | Water Management | Recycling Organic Matter

A family run, Central Otago vineyard aiming for a closed system in which all inputs come off its own land and are recycled back after the wine is made, so the only additional input is water. This estate employs a holistic approach that integrates crop and livestock farming to vineyard management.

14:00 - Bus Departs

15:00 - Bus Arrives at Queenstown Airport

15:10 - End Day 2