

Ruth Marsh

Thirty years local and international experience assessing development needs for communities, organisations, governments, and designing and implementing collaborative programs to meet those needs.

Highly skilled team facilitator bringing people together around common vision, purpose, and action.

MSc Natural Resource Management
CPC (Certified Professional Coach)
Art of Hosting (Advanced facilitation skills)



Professional Highlights

Sustainable Development Practitioner and Resource Management Consultant. Manager and team member in numerous international development programs spanning 25 years in eleven countries assessing development needs, and designing and implementing assistance programs to meet those needs. Clients include Ministry of Fisheries (NZ & Canada), NZAID, AUSAID, World Bank, Asian Development Bank, Oxfam, VSA.

Facilitator of groups and teams to encourage shared learning and understanding, visioning and planning, and collective action. Clients include: Ministry of Fisheries, DOC, Nelson City Council, Tasman District Council, Mudzi District Council, Northland Regional Council, VSA, MWH, Aroha Island, Waldorf Education Trust, Business and Professional Women, Transition Towns, Pachamama Alliance, and numerous international projects.

Trainer in communication skills to empower, generate empathy, and resolve conflict. Clients include DOC, TTTPHO, various community groups, CEW.

International Coach for leadership and personal development.

Key Competencies

Professional Leadership

- ◆ Manager and team member in numerous international development programs.
- ◆ Principal Montgomery Watson Harza - environmental and social science team leaders in NZ.
- ◆ Manager Aquaculture & Maori Fisheries Development Ministry of Fisheries

Collaboration & Facilitation

- ◆ Numerous projects bringing people together across boundaries for shared outcomes.
- ◆ Transition Towns bringing people together to engage in conversations about issues that are defining our world, about what is desirable and possible for us to create at this time, and collaborate in positive action.

Solution Focused Strategic and Conceptual Visioning and Thinking

- ◆ In resource management policy, development needs assessment and planning.

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Employment

- 2000-present** **Director OurCommonFuture Ltd**
- 1995-2000** **Principal Montgomery Watson Harza, NZ**
- 1986-1991** **Policy Scientist Ministry of Fisheries, NZ**
Manager Maori Fisheries Central Fisheries Management Area FMA
Manager Marine Farming Industry Central FMA
- 1976-1983** **International sailor, sail maker, adventurer, volunteer, marine scientist**
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Qualifications

- 2008 Certified Professional Coach (International Coach Academy)
- 2008 Art of Hosting – leading edge facilitation skills (Insight Now Melbourne 2008)
- 1986 MSc Resource Management (University of Christchurch, NZ)
- 1976 BSc Biology (University of Auckland, NZ)
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Continuous Professional Development

- Transition Towns (from oil dependency to local resilience) Trainer & Presenter (2009)
- Future Search Advanced Meeting Leadership (Macquarie University Sydney 2008)
- Facilitating Development from the inside out (CDRA Cape Town South Africa 2006)
- Neuro-Linguistic Programming (NLP) Master Practitioner Training (Transformations International NZ 2007)
- Transforming Communication Instructor Training (Transformations International NZ 2006)
- Environmental Auditing & Environmental Management Systems (EMS) (NZ Quality College 1998)
- Gender Planning – Rationale, Approach & Methodology (NZ AID 1996)
- Participatory Rural Appraisal & Planning (FAO Zimbabwe 1994)
- Methods for Active Participation (FAO Zimbabwe 1993)
- Powerful Presentation Skills (Robert Kiosaki 1992)
- Money & You: Business Management (Robert Kiosaki 1992)
- Environmental Conflict Resolution (Communication Systems NZ 1990, 1998)
- EEO Interviewing (Tall Poppies NZ 1991)
- Total Quality Management (Ministry of Fisheries 1991)
- Negotiation Skills (NZ Quality College 1990)
- Managing for Performance (Tall Poppies NZ 1990)
- Cross Cultural Understanding (Hawkes Bay Polytechnic 1988)
- Maori Language & Culture (Hawkes Bay Polytechnic 1987)
- Permaculture Design (Miriam Tyler, Bob Corker, 1987)

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