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Pat Snedden, Chairman
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Pat Snedden is a 52 year old Pakeha who began his professional life in publishing after graduating in 1979 from Auckland University in accounting, economics and anthropology. He has been self-employed since 1984 and acts as a business adviser for Health Care Aotearoa, a primary care network of Maori, Pacific Island and community groups within the not-for-profit health sector. Since 1982 he has worked as an economic adviser to the Ngati Whatua o Orakei Maori Trust Board and he is part of their Treaty negotiation team.

For many years he has been a corporate director and was a founding director of Mai FM, this country's first Maori commercial radio station. He now has roles in public sector governance. Currently he chairs the Housing New Zealand Corporation and the Counties Manukau District Health Board and is a director on Watercare Services, a wastewater and water company for Auckland. He is also deputy-Chair of the ASB Community Trusts, the region's philanthropic trust.

In 2006 his new book, Pakeha and the Treaty, Why it's our Treaty too won first prize in the first author, non-fiction section at the Montana Book Awards.