

Hi there, I am **Feroniba** Ramin Hassani and I am **56 years old**.

The most important issue for me to solve is acting on **climate change**. I think it is the most severe and **urgent threat** on earth and we need to **act right now**. I believe we can do so on a **community-based level** meaning we need to prove that we can live together in **small groups** (6-12 people), **autarkic**, self-sustaining, vegan, waste-free, taking care of and **supporting each other** as individuals, showing that it is possible to live with **love and respect** for all of earth's creatures. Then we can **inter-connect** and reach out to other individuals and groups, **link** them all together. We need to involve **experts** from all areas, doctors, scientists, engineers, politicians, teachers. We need to support **diversity**, culture, art, religion, be inspirational, and preserve the **world knowledge**. We need to **re-make living possible** on **earth**, on **sea** and also reach out for **space**. It is a **vision**, and it might fail and we might need to adapt and change but not acting on climate change is not an option for me.

New Zealand is incomparable with its open-mindedness, its diversity, respectfulness, indigenous relations and the potential to grow that is still here. I have been here with my family for half a year now and I would love to **initiate** my project Climate Symphony in NZ and **reach out** to the world from here.

The **Edmund Hillary Fellowship** and its ideals are **perfect**. I wish to use and contribute to its work and **network**. I believe, we need to be bold and courageous, go against all odds, willing to take risks, stay true to ourselves, be inspired and inspire, connect with others, learn from each other and we need to do it now. I am looking forward to hopefully **meeting** you all in person and would love to **become part of** the Edmund Hillary Fellowship's future. **Thank** you.