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*Cover image:* 2017 Australasian Aid Conference dinner, University House, ANU.
DIRECTOR’S LETTER

2017 was the seventh year of the Development Policy Centre’s existence. It was a year where we continued to see growing interest in some of our key areas of research from policymakers — particularly on Pacific labour mobility, with our contributions in this area recognised by our inclusion in the new Pacific Research Program. It was also a year of milestones, and we were delighted to award the inaugural Mitchell Humanitarian Award to Dr Robyn Alders. Read about her inspirational story on page 6, and in more detail on our Aid Profiles website (devpolicy.org/aidprofiles).

2017 was also a year in which we said hello and goodbye to a large number of staff. Robin Davies, our Associate Director, joined DFAT to head up the Indo-Pacific Centre for Health Security. It is often said that there should be more interchange between the public sector and the universities. Robin’s case is one of the few examples of this actually occurring. I want to thank him for his enormous contributions over the last five years.

Some other staff who had been with us for several years left as well: Macarena Rojas was a Program Officer with Devpolicy since 2012; Anthony Swan and Carmen Voigt-Graf had been academics with us since 2013 and 2014 respectively; and Camilla Burkot was our Research Officer and Blog Editor from 2015. And some who has been with us for shorter stints also exited last year or early this year: Husnia Hushang was a Program Officer and Henry Sherrell a Research Officer in 2016 and 2017; Marcel Schroder, Mike Cookson, Tatia Curie and Tara Davda were all part of the ANU-UPNG partnership for the last couple of years. Many thanks to you all for your contributions, and I hope you will all stay in touch and involved.

Fortunately, we were able to welcome new staff as well. Shannon Young has taken over as Program Officer, and Sachini Muller as Research Officer and Blog Editor. We have a new research fellow in Dr Richard Curtain, and two new UPNG partnership staff, Dr Bao Nguyen and Dek Joe Sum.

One of the roles I always hoped the Development Policy Centre would play was to build the network of people working on development and the Pacific in Australia. Though it is always sad to see someone leave, seeing them find a place in that broader network is exciting. I’m delighted that Robin has gone on to such an important position in DFAT, that Camilla Burkot is now working in Daru in PNG on the issue of tuberculosis, and that Jonathan Pryke, who left in 2015, is now heading the Lowy Institute’s Pacific Islands Program.

Thank you for your ongoing support of the Development Policy Centre. I hope you enjoy finding out more about what we have been doing in this Annual Report.

Stephen Howes
Director
Development Policy Centre
THE DEVELOPMENT POLICY CENTRE: AN OVERVIEW

The Development Policy Centre (Devpolicy) is a think tank for aid and development serving Australia, the region, and the global development community. We undertake independent research and promote practical initiatives to improve the effectiveness of Australian aid, support the development of Papua New Guinea and the Pacific Island region, and to contribute to better global development policy.

We were established in September 2010 and are based at Crawford School of Public Policy in the College of Asia and the Pacific at The Australian National University (ANU).

Our publications, discussion papers, policy briefs and reports make our research available for all. Our events are fora for the dissemination of findings and the exchange of information and ideas. The Devpolicy Blog is our platform for debate, analysis and discussion.

We are currently a team of about fifteen full-time equivalent staff. We benefit from the participation of several visiting fellows and a large network of associates, and we are home to several PhD students and interns.

In the past seven years, the Development Policy Centre has become Australia’s leading source of analysis on the areas we cover. You can read about our contributions in this report, under our three research pillars and seven themes. Our blog (devpolicy.org) is established as Australia’s most active online forum for the discussion and debate of aid and development policy. During 2017 we published 14 discussion papers, four policy briefs, two reports, and one blog compilation, and made submissions to two government inquiries. We also hosted 33 public lectures and seminars and one conference in Canberra, and co-hosted two conferences in Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea (PNG), and Suva, Fiji.

Our core funding comes from the Harold Mitchell Foundation and from ANU. We receive significant funding from the Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) in support of work on PNG and the Pacific, and from the Gates Foundation in support of our work on Australian aid. An anonymous donor provides funding to support our Greg Taylor Scholars, and we also gratefully receive donations from the public.
WHAT WE RESEARCH: A SUMMARY

Australian aid

Though Australia’s aid program has been scaled down in size, it still has a key role to play in Australia’s broader foreign policy. Australia’s aid efforts are also supported by a substantial community of non-government organisations (NGOs) and individual Australians looking to work or volunteer to support the cause of international development. Rigorous research and informed public discussion can serve to enhance Australia’s and Australians’ engagement with aid and development in our region and around the world. We focus our analytical efforts in two areas:

**Government aid**

Our research on Australia’s official aid program focuses on aid effectiveness, and is undertaken through a mix of case studies and thematic analyses.

**Aid and the community**

We conduct research on the role of development NGOs, and public opinion on aid and development in Australia and New Zealand.

PNG and the Pacific

Our nearest neighbour, Papua New Guinea (PNG), is being forced to confront swift changes to its economic prospects. Elsewhere in the region, Pacific Island countries are increasingly outward-looking and politically engaged. Our research seeks to illuminate opportunities for growth and improved human development outcomes in PNG and the Pacific, and the role that Australia can play to support these, organised under the following three themes:

**The PNG Project**

We work in partnership with a range of key academic institutions in PNG. Our staff and collaborators conduct research on a number of topics, including: macroeconomic and fiscal issues; infrastructure; health and education; family and sexual violence; corruption and governance; and labour markets.

**Pacific growth and integration**

Our research explores the most promising approaches to growth and development in a region characterised by small and isolated states.

**Pacific migration and labour mobility**

The effective use of human capital will be central to the development of the Pacific region, guided by strong and equitable migration and labour mobility policies.

Global development policy

While our focus is primarily on Australia and the Pacific, we conduct research on a number of other global aid and development issues:

**International development and financing**

Current areas of analysis include global trends in aid flows and aid policymaking; the private sector and aid; aid evaluation and legislation; the funding of global public goods; climate change financing; and challenges facing the global humanitarian system.

**Aid and Asia**

Some Asian countries are still important aid recipients, and others are emerging as aid donors. Asian development and aid trends are of growing global importance.
RESEARCH IN 2017

1. Australian aid

1.1 Government aid

We have ongoing projects in place analysing aid-flow data on Australian and New Zealand aid, including the regularly updated Australian aid tracker website (devpolicy.org/aidtracker). We also provided public commentary on and made submissions to the Foreign Policy White Paper.

Camilla Burkot and Stephen Howes argued for the scaling up of Australian support for global medical research, and suggested how it should be done (see more in the box to the right). Matthew Dornan and Sabit Otor researched the effects of foreign aid on Australian exports (see more in the box on this page). Camilla Burkot also co-authored a paper on the impact of aid on reducing malaria in Solomon Islands. Robin Davies investigated changes and trends in Australian aid data from the Menzies era through to the current Turnbull government, as well as analysing Australian aid to Indonesia. Jack Corbett finished his book on the history of Australian aid policy, which was completed with the Centre’s support, and we launched it in August.

As part of our engagement on aid in Australia and New Zealand, we worked alongside NGOs as they visited parliamentarians in February to raise awareness and understanding of aid. As part of this engagement, we drafted a primer on aid for use with parliamentarians, and gathered and analysed data on politicians’ views and knowledge about aid.

For the fifth time, we held our annual Australian aid budget breakfast the morning after the Federal Budget was announced, providing timely analysis for the sector. Stephen Howes also provided media commentary on the budget and aid. We continued our twice-annual series of aid evaluation forums in conjunction with DFAT’s Office of Development Effectiveness.

Our aid work has included numerous stakeholder meetings, including with Australian NGOs, DFAT, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (MFAT, New Zealand), a Norwegian political delegation, Singapore’s Ministry of Foreign Affairs, visitors from the OECD, and researchers from Korea.

Scaling up Australian aid for global medical research

There is a strong case for scaling up Australia’s contribution to global medical research, according to Camilla Burkot and Stephen Howes, who propose new ways forward in their comprehensive report on the issue. There is still a significant unmet funding need for research that leads to the development of new medical products, such as drugs, vaccines and diagnostic tests, to address health problems predominantly affecting people in the developing world. Australia’s approach to supporting global agricultural research has worked well, and the authors propose a similar approach with regard to global medical research, with the creation of a global medical research centre or the expansion of the mandate of the Australian Centre for International Agricultural Research.

The long-run impact of foreign aid on Australian exports

A discussion paper by Matthew Dornan and Sabit Otor explored the long-run effects of foreign aid on Australian exports to Asia from 1980 to 2013. The study found that Australian aid increased Australian exports to the recipient in the long-run, and that the ‘untying’ of Australian aid from domestic procurement requirements in the mid-2000s had no impact on this relationship. The authors conclude that the impacts of foreign aid on Australian exports primarily result from indirect mechanisms, including long-run macroeconomic impacts in the recipient country, the building of networks and linkages between donor and recipient, and the demonstration effects of aid projects. The results of this research were picked up by news outlets, including SBS News and Radio New Zealand, and were also used in advocacy efforts by Australian NGOs such as the Fred Hollows Foundation.
1.2 Aid and the community

In 2017, we continued to publish the Aid Profiles series – stories of Australians, or those with an Australian connection, who have made a substantial contribution to the cause of international development. Five profiles were published on a dedicated website (devpolicy.org/aidprofiles). They made up the shortlist for the second Mitchell Humanitarian Award, which was presented in February 2018. Read more about the profiles and award in the box below.

Terence Wood assisted the Australian Council for International Development (ACFID) in gathering data on Australian aid NGOs, and is currently writing a major report with them on the state of the Australian aid NGO sector. Terence also continued to study public opinion about aid in both Australia and New Zealand. This work has led to a number of discussion papers and reports, including a study comparing the views of the Australian public and development community on questions of aid.

Mitchell Humanitarian Award and Aid Profiles series

The Mitchell Humanitarian Award, named in honour of leading businessman and philanthropist Harold Mitchell AC, recognises Australians and others supported by Australian aid who have made an outstanding contribution to the cause of international development. Its aim is to educate and inspire, and it is awarded annually to a contribution to the cause of international development that inspires others, is of lasting and significant value, has a link to Australia, and has not yet been adequately recognised.

The successful awardee is selected by a distinguished panel from a shortlist of Aid Profiles, authored by the Development Policy Centre. The first award in February 2017 went to veterinarian Robyn Alders for her efforts to eradicate Newcastle Disease in chickens, which had positive flow-on effects for rural women’s livelihoods.

In 2017, we authored five profiles: on the Fiji Women’s Crisis Centre; the head of Angicare PNG, Heni Meke; child rights advocate Gillian Melsop; Fessehaie Abraham, the refugee who brought Eritrea to Australia; and bioscientist Gabrielle Persley, AM. The Fiji Women’s Crisis Centre was named as the winner of the 2018 award at a gala dinner at the Australasian Aid Conference in February 2018 for its tireless work on supporting women and child survivors of gender-based violence in the Pacific region, and its efforts to drive changes in attitudes and behaviours.

For more details on the award, and to read the Aid Profiles series, visit devpolicy.org/aidprofiles.

2. PNG and the Pacific

2.1 The PNG Project

The partnership between the University of Papua New Guinea’s School of Business and Public Policy and The Australian National University’s Crawford School of Public Policy, which Devpolicy leads, continued to perform strongly in 2017. More details on teaching and research activities are available on page 7.

This year we launched the Papua New Guinea Election Results Database, created by Terence Wood and Ashlee Betteridge, which makes PNG election results available in a user-friendly interface. It is accompanied by an analysis of electoral trends in PNG. In the lead-up to the 2017 PNG elections, Terence Wood used the database to provide analysis on women candidate numbers and the changes brought by the Limited Preferential Voting electoral system. During the election, Terence was also involved in an electoral observation mission. After the elections, he provided analysis, gave talks on electoral matters to DFAT, and provided advice on electoral issues to DFAT, MFAT (NZ), and Australian parliamentarians.

We also created the PNG Budget Database, led by Rohan Fox, which is an Excel spreadsheet compiling information from PNG national government budgets from 1989 to 2018. The database is designed to be used by any member of the public, government, NGOs, media, or researchers, for their own analysis and comparisons over time. It compiles information about revenue, expenditure, GDP, inflation, finance, and debt from Volume 1 of successive budgets, and is updated twice a year.

Grant Walton continued to lead the Strengthening State and Society Responses to Corruption in PNG project, which had a busy year in 2017. In February, Grant, along with Caryn Peiffer from the University of Bristol and researchers from Anglo-Pacific Research, conducted a social experiment in Port Moresby. Preliminary results were presented to policymakers and academics in PNG, Australia and France, and have featured in the media and on the Devpolicy Blog. Additionally, researchers working under the project have provided commentary on the impacts of decentralisation policy on potential corruption in PNG, through a working paper and blogs. With Husnia Hushang, Grant analysed the allocations for and spending on state anti-corruption organisations, resulting in a working paper, blog, and further media coverage. In November, Tara Davda and Grant examined the usefulness of UNESCO’s gateway on corruption and education for PNG for the Devpolicy Blog. Anthony Swan and Fiona Yap undertook field experiments to better understand the attitudes of PNG students to corruption. In August we hosted Sam Koim, former Chairman of PNG’s Investigation Task-Force Sweep, for a seminar on the experiences of those trying to fight corruption in PNG.
Michelle Rooney was awarded her PhD for her research into a Port Moresby urban settlement. She shared her research with her research participant group, and with DFAT and PNG Governance Facility staff in Port Moresby. She took part in a regional workshop in Suva on urbanisation, and initiated new research with the University of PNG and the PNG University of Technology to examine the links between gender-based violence and school attendance.

Matthew Dornan and Carmen Voigt-Graf continued their research collaboration with the PNG National Research Institute (NRI), which investigates road management at the sub-national level in PNG. Their work was presented at the PNG Update, and several discussion papers are now being peer-reviewed. Matthew was also a member of the team that undertook a DFAT Office of Development Effectiveness (ODE) evaluation of Australian support for roads in PNG.

Held on 10-11 August in Port Moresby, the 2017 PNG Update was open to the public and free to attend. The theme was ‘PNG: after the elections’ with speakers addressing multi-disciplinary issues across a wide range of economic, development and social policy topics. The Update attracted more than 750 people on the first day and another 500 plus on the second day (with an estimate of around 900 unique attendees over the course of the conference), exceeding numbers from previous years. More than 70 papers were presented over the two days (including keynote presentations), with a significant increase in the number of Papua New Guinean presenters at the event.

In 2017, the Centre continued to support Femili PNG, a unique Papua New Guinean NGO providing support to survivors of family and sexual violence. Femili PNG moved to new premises in April, subsequently experiencing a rise in the number of individuals seeking help. The organisation hosted former Australian of the Year Rosie Batty for a speaking tour to PNG, in order to raise awareness of family and sexual violence, as well as holding numerous outreach and training sessions with businesses, schools, churches and service providers. A report on its first two years of operations, released in 2017, showed that Femili PNG supported more than 900 clients between 2014 and 2016, and a client satisfaction survey showed that 95% of clients were satisfied with the services they received.

89 PNG-related blogs were published on devpolicy.org as part of our outreach efforts in 2017, and our PNG-related work was highlighted through monthly newsletters.

The UPNG-ANU partnership in 2017

Devpolicy manages The Australian National University’s partnership with the School of Business and Public Policy (SBPP) at the University of Papua New Guinea (UPNG), which commenced in 2012. In August 2015, we signed a grant agreement to provide faculty strengthening, collaborative research, outreach, and student/staff exchanges for the Divisions of Economics and Public Policy Management at SBPP UPNG. The Pacific Leadership and Governance Precinct of the Australian aid program funds this initiative.

A new Masters in Economics and Public Policy (MEPP) at UPNG commenced this year. Undergraduate teaching in economics and public policy continued, with ANU-UPNG partnership academics convening six courses in Semester 1, and another six in Semester 2. The annual ANU Economics Exam took place in October, and showed clear evidence of improved learning outcomes in economics at UPNG since the partnership began. Two UPNG staff members from the Division of Economics also completed the first year of their ANU Masters degree on scholarship in Canberra, and the inaugural ANU-UPNG Summer School took place in January and February 2018, with a group of ten students studying at Crawford School.

The partnership supported significant research in 2017 related to the PNG economy and exchange rate, health in Bougainville, decentralisation, family violence, corruption and telecommunications. At ANU, we hosted seminars by several high-level PNG officials, which were also podcasted, including a forum on the response to the PNG drought and frost crisis, and a series of two events analysing the 2017 PNG elections.
2.2 Pacific growth and integration

The annual Pacific Update Conference at the University of the South Pacific in Fiji was held in June, co-organised with the Asian Development Bank and the University of the South Pacific's School of Economics. The Conference was a huge success, with talks on labour mobility, the blue economy, tourism and more, and attendance from many Pacific Island researchers and policymakers.

The awarding of the Pacific Research Program (see box on right) recognised our work on and contribution to Pacific research, and provides certainty of funding for future Pacific Update conferences.

Throughout the year we hosted various events on the region, including a panel on the Vanuatu Governance for Growth Program, international interventions and local politics, political settlements and their trajectories, and higher education.

Other work on the Pacific included a discussion paper on reducing malaria in Solomon Islands, a submission to the Senate Select Committee on the implications of public interest journalism on regional interests in the Pacific and on Australian aid, and considerable commentary on the Pacific on the Devpolicy Blog.

2.3 Pacific migration

Our work on Pacific migration and labour mobility continued in 2017, highlighted monthly through our labour mobility and migration newsletter. We published discussion papers on migration and labour mobility from Kiribati, and on the contrasting temporary migration outcomes in the Australian and New Zealand horticulture sectors. We hired Dr Richard Curtain as an additional fellow under the Pacific Research Program to further our work on labour mobility.

Matthew Dornan presented the Pacific Possible report at APEC in Vietnam, and Henry Sherrell presented at Migrants @ Work Research Group's Migration and Work symposium at the University of Sydney. Henry also spoke to numerous media outlets in April on the impacts of changes to the 457 visa scheme. Our researchers also presented at conferences in Canberra, Melbourne and Suva, and to DFAT staff in Canberra.

The Pacific Research Program

The Development Policy Centre, as part of a consortium led by the ANU Department of Pacific Affairs and including the Lowy Institute, will implement a new $20 million Pacific Research Program funded by DFAT.

The four-year program aims to create a global centre of excellence for research on the Pacific, bringing together 30 full-time researchers with Pacific expertise, more than 35 Research Associates/Visiting Fellows/Emeriti, and five Senior Policy Fellows with extensive aid and development experience. It will also include a dedicated, Pacific-focused PhD Program with 30 students, including 11 from the Pacific Islands.

The Development Policy Centre brings economic expertise to the consortium, and the program’s research into economic development, public goods provision, and labour mobility will be led by Matthew Dornan. As part of the Pacific Research Program, the Development Policy Centre will continue to host the annual Pacific Update conference and other outreach and network-building activities that provide opportunities to communicate our research, including public seminars, workshops, lectures and panel discussions. We will also continue to publish Pacific-related posts on the Devpolicy Blog and contribute to informing and improving Australians’ understanding of the world around them through engagement with the media.
3. Global development policy

3.1 International development and financing

Robin Davies collaborated on a special issue of the journal Development Policy Review, which included an article from a study by Robin Davies and Jonathan Pickering on aid recipient perspectives on their future development challenges, including their views about how development assistance relationships should evolve. The journal also included a study by Matthew Dornan that assessed the extent to which provider objectives and approaches have changed in light of aid consumer preferences.

In a publication by ANU College of Asia and the Pacific on the Trump Administration’s first 100 days, Stephen Howes and Robin Davies reflected on the impact of Trump’s foreign and migration policies on global and Asian development prospects, focusing on foreign aid, migration, and models of development.

Our annual Australasian Aid Conference, held in February of each year, has become the region’s main forum for the discussion of Australian, regional and global aid and development issues. The 2017 conference (see the box on the right) brought together more than 500 researchers, policymakers, students, and representatives of NGOs and the private sector from across the Asia-Pacific region and the world.

The 2017 Harold Mitchell Oration, our annual lecture on development policy, was delivered by Dr Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala, Board Chair of Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance, and a former Nigerian Foreign Minister. She reflected on the need for a way forward on development approaches, given the changes in the global landscape, with a particular focus on reforms needed by multilateral banks and institutions to make them ‘fit for purpose’ in the 21st century.

3.2 Aid and Asia

The fourth annual Australasian Aid Conference in partnership with The Asia Foundation included several sessions on Asian aid and development, including a plenary session on Asian approaches to engaging the private sector in development cooperation. More about the conference can be found below.

Stephen Howes undertook and presented research at the 3rd International Symposium on Asian Development Studies on Asian experiences with inequality.

Australasian Aid Conference

In 2014, the Development Policy Centre convened the first Australasian Aid and International Development Policy Workshop. It has since expanded in size and reputation to become the annual Australasian Aid Conference (AAC), Australia’s premier aid and international development conference. Held in February each year in partnership with The Asia Foundation, the AAC has become an integral part of the Australian and regional aid calendar. The aim of the conference is to bring together researchers from across Australia, the Pacific, Asia, and beyond who are working on aid and international development policy to share insights, promote collaboration, and develop the research community. The 2017 conference brought together more than 500 researchers, policymakers, students, and representatives of NGOs and the private sector from across the Asia-Pacific region and the world. It featured 30 parallel sessions, a keynote by Michael Woolcock of the World Bank, and three plenaries. A highlight was the introduction of the 3-Minute Aid Pitch (3MAP) competition, in which speakers were given three minutes to present an innovative idea to improve Australian aid or development policy, and a winner is chosen by the audience. Ashlee Betteridge won the 2017 3MAP competition with her pitch on the need to communicate better on aid and development in a post-truth world.
Discussion papers
The Development Policy Centre’s discussion paper series covers a broad range of topics. Available online through our website (devpolicy.anu.edu.au/publications) and through the Social Science Research Network (ssrn.com), the series aims to deepen knowledge and discourse among academics, policymakers, practitioners, and the public. Discussion papers normally reflect significant research and analytical effort, are peer-reviewed prior to publication, and are likely to undergo subsequent refinement with a view to publication in peer-reviewed journals.

In 2017, we published fourteen discussion papers:

**DP 53  Papua New Guinea economics graduate exit survey**
Michael Cornish, January 2017

**DP 54  After Papua New Guinea’s resource boom: is the kina overvalued?**
Rohan Fox and Marcel Schröder, February 2017

**DP 55  Papua New Guinea election results: trends and patterns 1972-2012**
Terence Wood, February 2017

**DP 56  Migration and labour mobility from Kiribati**
Carmen Voigt-Graf and Sophia Kagan, March 2017

**DP 57  Public enemies: the role of global public goods in aid policy narratives**
Robin Davies, March 2017

**DP 58  The geographies of collective action, principal-agent theory and potential corruption in Papua New Guinea**
Grant Walton and Ainsley Jones, June 2017

**DP 59  Evidence-based policy making in the tropics: are developing countries different?**
Stephen Howes, Ashlee Betteridge, Lawrence Sause and Lhawang Ugyel, July 2017

**DP 60  Promises, promises: a decade of allocations for and spending on anti-corruption in Papua New Guinea**
Grant Walton and Husnia Hushang, July 2017

**DP 61  The challenges of providing free education in Papua New Guinea**
Grant Walton, Tara Davda and Peter Kanaparo, August 2017

**DP 62  How does foreign aid impact Australian exports in the long-run?**
Sabit Amum Otor and Matthew Dornan, September 2017

**DP 63  Is support for aid related to beliefs about aid effectiveness in New Zealand?**
Camilla Burkot and Terence Wood, November 2017

**DP 64  Reducing malaria in Solomon Islands: lessons for effective aid**
Camilla Burkot and Katherine Gilbert, November 2017

**DP 65  Backpackers v seasonal workers: learning from the contrasting temporary migration outcomes in Australian and New Zealand horticulture**
Richard Curtain, Matthew Dornan, Stephen Howes and Henry Sherrell, November 2017

**DP 66  2017 PNG economic survey**
Rohan Fox, Stephen Howes, Nelson Atip Nema and Marcel Schröder, December 2017
Policy briefs

Our policy briefs are shorter documents that contain information and analysis on specific policy issues. In 2017 we published four policy briefs:

PB 16  Measuring Australia’s foreign aid generosity, from Menzies to Turnbull
Robin Davies, February 2017

PB 17  Do anticorruption messages work? Emerging findings and their relevance for Papua New Guinea
Caryn Peiffer, January 2017 (this policy brief was jointly published with the Developmental Leadership Program)

PB 18  Allocation priorities for Australia’s 2017 aid budget
Bob McMullan and Robin Davies, April 2017

PB 19  Free, open, merit-based selection for a president of an IFI: a rare case study
Bob McMullan, June 2017

Reports

Australian funding of global medical research: how to scale up?
Camilla Burkot and Stephen Howes, August 2017

The public and the aid community: comparing views about aid
Terence Wood and Camilla Burkot, August 2017

Blog compilations

PNG Devpolicy Blog posts in 2016-17
July 2017

Submissions

Submission to the Foreign Policy White Paper
Stephen Howes, Terence Wood, Robin Davies, Matthew Dornan and Henry Sherrell, February 2017

Public interest journalism and regional interests: implications for the Pacific and Australian aid
Ashlee Betteridge, June 2017

Other publications


Howes, S, Betteridge, A, Sause, L & Ugyel, L (forthcoming), ‘Evidence-based policy making in the tropics: are developing countries different?’, in M Fabian & R Breunig (eds), Hybrid Public Policy Innovations: contemporary policy beyond ideology, Routledge.


Rooney, MN 2017, ‘Lewa was mama (beloved guardian mother)’, in M Macintyre & C Spark (eds), Transformations of gender in Melanesia, ANU Press, Canberra.


OUTREACH

Website
devpolicy.anu.edu.au

The Devpolicy Blog
The Devpolicy Blog is a platform for analysis and discussion relating to our core research areas: Australian aid, PNG and the Pacific, and global development policy.

In 2017 we published 348 blog posts, bringing the total number since the blog began in 2010 to 2,518 from 615 contributors.

Blog posts are shared widely through social media (Facebook and Twitter) and are often re-published by other organisations. An increasing number of people receive our blog posts daily by email: 3,149 by the end of 2017.

For subscription options visit: devpolicy.org.

Email
We provide email services through opt-in subscription available on our website, blog, and at our events. A daily email sends subscribers a copy of our blog posts on the day they are published, and our fortnightly newsletter updates subscribers on all recent and upcoming Devpolicy activities, events, and publications. As at the end of 2017, 3,149 subscribers were receiving our daily email, and 6,416 our fortnightly newsletter. We also have monthly newsletters focused on our PNG-related work, and on labour mobility and migration.

Social media
Our follower and engagement numbers on Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn and Google+ continue to grow. As of the close of 2017, 4,677 people have ‘liked’ our Facebook page (up from 3,878 in 2016), and we gained more than 2000 new Twitter followers this year (now at 8,538).

Media
In 2017, our researchers’ work and perspectives have appeared in various domestic, regional, and international media outlets including The Guardian, The Canberra Times, Radio Australia Pacific Beat, Devex, Post Courier, The Conversation, Loop PNG, Huffington Post, The Sydney Morning Herald, The Australian Financial Review, The Guardian, Vanuatu Daily Post, The National (PNG), Fiji Times, SBS News, Radio National, The New York Times and The New Zealand Herald, among others. Our research was mentioned or quoted in more than 150 media items over the course of the year. We also contributed to other blogs, such as Policy Forum. In addition, our own Devpolicy Blog posts are frequently re-published by a range of outlets, including in local papers in several Pacific Island countries.

Podcasts
In 2012 we launched a podcast series, which makes audio recordings of our events and interviews available for download through Soundcloud, iTunes, RSS and our website. In 2017 we published 41 new podcasts, bringing the total to 236 podcasts, which were played 28,425 times in 2017.

Collaborations
Individual staff at the Centre, or the Centre as a whole, collaborated with a range of organisations in 2017, including: Asia and the Pacific Policy Society, Crawford School, ANU; the Asian Development Bank and Asian Development Bank Institute (ADBI); The Asia Foundation; the Australian Council for International Development (ACFID); the Campaign for Australian Aid; CARE Australia; the Center for Global Development (CGD); the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT); the Developmental Leadership Program, Birmingham University; the Fijian Independent Commission Against Corruption (FICAC); the Lowy Institute for International Policy; Micah Australia; the National Research Institute (NRI), PNG; the Overseas Development Institute (ODI); Oxfam Australia; ANU Pacific Institute; the Pacific Leadership Program, Fiji; the Department of Pacific Affairs, ANU; ANU Transnational Research Institute on Corruption (TRIC); University College London; University of Exeter; University of Papua New Guinea School of Business and Public Policy; University of the South Pacific (USP); Trinity College Dublin; the World Bank; and World Vision Australia.

Talks
In addition to presentations at the Centre’s events, summarised in the next section, Devpolicy researchers and staff gave a number of lectures and presentations in Australia and around the region and the world throughout 2017.

Stephen Howes presented at a variety of fora in 2017, from the Australian Parliament to the PNG and Pacific Updates, to a conference in Indonesia. He was also a regular blogger and media commentator.

Matthew Dornan presented the ANU-World Bank report Pacific Possible: Labour Mobility to an APEC Workshop on the Development of an APEC Labour Mobility Framework in Nha Trang, Vietnam, in February. He presented papers on renewable energy in the Pacific at the Pacific Update at UPNG. He also delivered talks on the Sustainable Development Goals as part of Asia-Pacific Week, and on development challenges in the Pacific to the Australian Treasury. Matthew was a reviewer for the PYC Energy conference in Jakarta. He presented a Pacific Community (SPC) report on green fiscal instruments that he co-authored in Fiji in November.
Bao Nguyen presented a research paper at the Central Bank of Sri Lanka’s 10th International Research Conference, held in Colombo in December.

Amanda Watson presented at the PNG mVAM Food Security Assessment Consultation Workshop in Port Moresby in July, and facilitated a workshop for staff of the National Research Institute titled ‘Mobile phone-based research methods’, also held in Port Moresby.

Grant Walton presented on ‘free’ education in PNG and on anti-corruption budgets at the PNG Update in Port Moresby in August. He also presented initial results from social experiments on anti-corruption messages in PNG, conducted with Caryn Peiffer. In June, Grant presented at the Interdisciplinary Conference on Corruption at Sciences Po in Paris with Ainsley Jones, on the geographies of collective action and principal agent theory in PNG. Grant also made a number of presentations to the policy community; to WaterAid in Melbourne in September with Ainsley Jones; to the OECD in Paris in June on anti-corruption messaging in PNG; and to the PNG Department of Education on trends and consequences of free education policies in February, with Tara Davda and Peter Kanaparo.

Terence Wood delivered various presentations, including at the Australasian Aid Conference on Australian aid flow analysis and NGOs use of the internet; at UPNG for the launch of the PNG Election Results Database; and the Australian Council for International Development (ACFID) annual conference. He also attended a number of stakeholder meetings, including with a Norwegian Minister, NZ Deputy High Commissioner, the PNG Electoral Commission, and various MPs and researchers. The topics of these meetings ranged from PNG elections and electoral politics, to the SDGs and aid strategies, to ideas for a new aid entity.

UPNG public policy and economics students at their graduation ceremony in July 2017, with lecturer Manoj Pandey (centre).
In 2017, we hosted a total of 33 public events (lectures, seminars, conferences and forums) in Canberra. All of our events are shared with a global audience via frequently-downloaded podcasts available through Soundcloud, iTunes, RSS and our website.

We also partnered in two overseas conferences: the Pacific Update with the Asian Development Bank and the University of the South Pacific on 20-21 June in Suva, and the PNG Update with the University of PNG on 10-11 August in Port Moresby.

Below is a complete list of events in chronological order. Details of all these events can be found on our website (http://devpolicy.anu.edu.au/events/).


On 14 February, The World Bank launched the World Development Report 2017 and held a panel discussion at ANU. The report explored how policies for security, growth and equity can effectively achieve their goals by addressing the underlying drivers of governance.

Speakers: James Brumby and Luis Felipe Lopez Calva, The World Bank; Natasha Smith, DFAT; Dr Helen Szoke, Oxfam Australia; and Professor Veronica Taylor, ANU.

2. 2017 Australasian Aid Conference

The fourth annual Australasian Aid Conference was held on 15-16 February, once again in partnership with The Asia Foundation. See the box on page 9 for details.

3. European Union development policy


4. Understanding how change happens

4 April. Duncan Green, Senior Strategic Adviser, Oxfam Great Britain. Co-hosted with the State, Society & Governance in Melanesia program (now Department of Pacific Affairs), the Research for Development Impact Network, and the Developmental Leadership Program.

5. Australian aid evaluations: new policy, Indonesia’s roads, and PNG health

Our first aid evaluation forum of the year, co-hosted with the Office of Development Effectiveness on 10 April, focused on DFAT’s new Aid Evaluation Policy and Annual Aid Evaluation Plan, and two recent evaluations: the Eastern Indonesia Roads Improvement Program, and the evaluation of remote health patrols run by Australian Doctors International (ADI) in New Ireland, PNG.

Speakers: Penny Davis and Simon Ernst, Office of Development Effectiveness, DFAT; Klara Hendersen, evaluation author; Liz Mackinlay, CEO, ADI.
6. Papua New Guinea after the resource boom
11 April. Marcel Schröder, ANU.

7. Democracy in Africa: past, present and future

8. Complexity in governments and markets
19 April. Professor Vito Tanzi, former head of the Fiscal Affairs Department of the International Monetary Fund. Co-hosted with the Tax and Transfer Policy Institute.

9. Coping with high risk and uncertainty in aid policy design and practice
26 April. Adam Fforde, Professorial Fellow, Victoria Institute of Strategic Economic Studies, Victoria University.

10. 2017 aid budget breakfast
The fifth annual aid budget breakfast was held on 10 May, the morning after the Australian budget was announced. This forum explained what the 2017-18 budget means for the future of Australian aid, as well as analysing wider budget trends. At the breakfast, the 2016 Performance of Australian Aid report and the 2015-16 Aid Program Performance Reports were also reviewed.

Speakers: Stephen Howes, Director, Development Policy Centre; Jacqui De Lacy, Vice President, Global Strategy, Abt Associates; Anthony Swan, Research Fellow, Development Policy Centre.

11. Why forests? Why now? The science, economics, and politics of tropical forests and climate change
16 May. Jonah Busch, Center for Global Development. Co-hosted with the Arndt-Corden Department of Economics and the ANU Indonesia Project.

12. The absence of trust: Australian strategic thinking and PNG 1950-1975
24 May, Dr Bruce Hunt, Research Fellow, School of History, College of Arts and Social Science, ANU.

This public forum was held on 7 June as part of the Development Policy Centre’s PNG Project. All five speakers were closely involved in the assessment of food shortages and coordination of food distribution when PNG was severely impacted by the 2015-16 El Niño drought, and at some very high-altitude locations, a series of destructive frosts. Presentations covered: a national overview of the impacts; more detailed reports on parts of Enga, Hela, Western and Milne Bay provinces; and a review of responses by the PNG national government, donors, churches, international non-government organisations, and UN agencies.

Speakers: Dr Mike Bourke, Honorary Associate Professor, ANU; Brendan Jinks, PhD candidate, ANU; James Komenga and Matt Kanua, independent consultants; Sally Lloyd, church worker, PNG.
14. Pacific Update

In conjunction with the Asian Development Bank and the University of the South Pacific's School of Economics, we held the 2017 Pacific Update in Suva on 20-21 June. The opening remarks were provided by Dame Meg Taylor, Secretary General of the Pacific Islands Forum. Sessions over the two days were oriented around three main themes of importance to the region: enhancing connectivity; the blue-green economy; and labour mobility, job creation, and labour market developments.

15. My Father, My Country: a film evening with Dame Meg Taylor

22 June. This film screening was presented as part of the Development Policy Centre's PNG Project. In 1938, three Australian patrol officers – Jim Taylor, John Black and Pat Walsh – journeyed into the highlands of Papua New Guinea to make contact with tribes who had previously had no contact with the outside world, and to explain to them that their lives were about to undergo incredible change. Fifty years later, Jim's daughter Meg retraced their steps and met people who remembered the day the patrol arrived. Dame Meg Taylor joined the screening to reflect on her experience creating the film, and on the current challenges facing PNG.

Speakers: Professor Helen Sullivan, Director, Crawford School, ANU; Dame Meg Taylor, Secretary General to the Pacific Islands Forum.

16. Australian aid evaluations: basic education and pandemics

This forum on 7 August focused on two recent evaluations: an end of program review for the Basic Education Assistance for Muslim Mindanao (BEAM-ARMM) program, and an evaluation of the aid response to pandemics and emerging infectious diseases. It was co-hosted by DFAT’s Office of Development Effectiveness.

Speakers: Ty Morrissey, M&E adviser, BEAM-ARMM program; Ina Aquino, Deputy Team Leader, BEAM-ARMM program, Cardno; Gill Schierhout, Senior Research Fellow, The Kirby Institute, UNSW; Laurence Gleeson, animal health specialist; Adam Craig, public health specialist and epidemiologist; Irene Wettenhall, Evaluation Manager, Office of Development Effectiveness, DFAT; Mahomed Patel, Honorary Associate Professor, ANU.

17. Financing global education: challenges and opportunities

7 August. Alice Albright, Chief Executive Officer, Global Partnership for Education (GPE).

18. PNG Update

The 2017 PNG Update was held in Port Moresby on 10-11 August in conjunction with the University of Papua New Guinea’s School of Business and Public Policy. It was well-attended and gained substantial news coverage, particularly by the Post Courier, The National and PNG Loop. The Update covered a range of topics, from housing and shelter, decentralisation in practice, family and sexual violence, to labour, migration and change.

19. Political settlements and their trajectories

16 August. Sue Ingram, Honorary Senior Policy Fellow, Department of Pacific Affairs, ANU.

20. Australia’s foreign aid dilemma

23 August. Book launch. Jack Corbett, Associate Professor, University of Southampton, UK.
21. International intervention and local politics

In this panel discussion on 24 August, two of the authors of *International Interventions and Local Politics: Fragmented States and the Politics of Scale* discussed their approaches to analysing international interventions, and demonstrated their utility through a case study of the Aceh Government Transformation Program. The third panellist, Sakuntala Akmeemana of DFAT, acted as a discussant, providing a policy practitioner’s perspective on the book’s findings.

Speakers: Shahar Hameiri, Associate Professor, University of Queensland; Fabio Scarpello, Consultant, VJW International; Saku Akmeemana, Principal Specialist, Governance, DFAT.

22. The corrupt cannot fight corruption

31 August. Sam Koim, former Chairman, Investigation Task-Force Sweep, Papua New Guinea. Co-hosted with the School of Regulation and Global Governance and the State, Society and Governance in Melanesia program (now Department of Pacific Affairs).

23. Aid paradoxes in Afghanistan: building and undermining the state

13 September. Dr Nematullah Bizhan, Research Fellow, Blavatnik School of Government, Oxford University.

24. Anti-corruption and its discontents: local, national and international perspectives on corruption in PNG

19 September. Book launch. Grant Walton, Research Fellow, Development Policy Centre, ANU.

25. PNG after the elections: the economy

11 October. This event, part of a series, presented the findings of the 2017 PNG Economic Survey, and an evaluation of the prospects of the PNG economy following the country’s elections.

Speakers: Stephen Howes, Director, Development Policy Centre; Nelson Nema, School of Business and Public Policy, University of PNG; Rohan Fox, Research Officer, Development Policy Centre; Marcel Schröder, Lebanese American University; Michelle Rooney, Research Fellow, Development Policy Centre (chair).

26. PNG after the elections: politics

On 18 October, a panel of experts discussed the politics in PNG after the elections: how the vote went, the winners and losers, and the longer-run political challenges that the government may face in its term.

Speakers: Nicole Haley, Bell School, ANU; Terence Wood, Research Fellow, Development Policy Centre; Ronald May, College of Asia and the Pacific, ANU; Bal Kama, College of Law, ANU; Stephen Howes, Director, Development Policy Centre (chair).

27. Supporting economic reform in Vanuatu: the Governance for Growth program

The Governance for Growth (GfG) program in Vanuatu has been running for ten years and is about to move into its third phase. This panel on 9 November discussed the two recent in-depth reviews of the program, one led by the Overseas Development Institute, and the other by a team of DFAT economists. This was an opportunity to discuss the successes and failures of the program, which elements of the model were most useful in supporting success, and whether the lessons learned have implications for other small island developing states.
Speakers: Pablo Kang, Assistant Secretary, Melanesia Branch, DFAT, and former Head of Mission in Vanuatu; Matthew Harding, Director, Pacific Economic Growth Section, DFAT, and Manager of GfG during the evaluations; Jonathan Gouy, Director, Development Economics Unit, DFAT, and leader of the economic review; Clinton Pobke, Manager, and Jennifer Kalpokas Doan, Senior Program Manager, GfG; Bob Warner, Visiting Fellow, Development Policy Centre, and member of the GfG review team.

28. Strengthening government systems and processes in PNG: ICAC and other issues
15 November. Eric Kwa, Secretary/CEO, PNG Constitutional Law Reform Commission.

29. China and the United States as aid donors: past and future trajectories
In this seminar on 29 November, Professor Frank Bongiorno launched and Dr Patrick Kilby discussed his recent monograph for the East West Center on US and Chinese aid.
Speakers: Dr Patrick Kilby, Senior Lecturer, College of Arts and Social Sciences, ANU; Professor Frank Bongiorno, School of History, ANU.

The fifth annual Mitchell Oration was delivered on 4 December by Dr Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala, Board Chair of the Global Alliance for Vaccines and Immunisation (GAVI).
As a development economist and former Finance Minister of Nigeria, Dr Okonjo-Iweala has also served as Nigeria’s Foreign Affairs Minister, and has held several key positions at the World Bank, including as Managing Director.

31. A new policy paradigm for resource-rich developing countries: could an export boom be contradictory?
6 December. Martin Davies, Associate Professor of Economics, Washington and Lee University.

32. The Social Observatory: integrating the social sciences for adaptive practice

33. Women, peace and security: a new global index
The new global Women, Peace and Security Index from Georgetown University’s Institute for Women, Peace and Security and the Peace Research Institute Oslo identifies challenges and opportunities for transformative change. At the Australian launch of the index, lead author Jeni Klugman shared details on the main findings and the utility of the index for policymakers, civil society, and the private sector.
Speakers: Jeni Klugman, Managing Director, Georgetown Institute for Women, Peace and Security, and Fellow at the Kennedy School of Government’s Women in Public Policy Program, Harvard University; Sharman Stone, Australian Global Ambassador for Women and Girls; Anu Mundkur, Australian Council for International Development’s representative on the steering group of the Australian Civil Society Coalition on Women, Peace and Security.
**Professor Stephen Howes**

Professor Stephen Howes has a PhD in economics from the London School of Economics. He served in various positions at the World Bank for a decade, before becoming AusAID’s first Chief Economist in 2005. He is now a Professor of Economics at Crawford School of Public Policy, ANU, where he directs the Development Policy Centre.

**Dr Matthew Dornan**

Dr Matthew Dornan is a Research Fellow and Deputy Director of the Development Policy Centre, where he has worked since 2011. His research focuses on economic development in the Pacific Islands and Papua New Guinea, and includes work on infrastructure (especially in the energy and transport sectors), foreign aid, labour mobility, and climate change financing. Matthew leads our research on Pacific growth and regional integration, and the economic stream in the Pacific Research Program. He is the editor of the Development Policy Centre’s Discussion Paper series, sits on the editorial board of Asia and the Pacific Policy Studies, and leads the Energy for Development cluster of the ANU Energy Change Institute. He received his PhD from ANU and has a background in public policy and economics.

**Mitiana Arbon**

Mitiana Arbon is a (casual) Research Officer working on labour mobility and migration, including our monthly email newsletter. He is a Samoan-Australian student who recently completed his honours in Asia-Pacific Studies in the School of Culture, History and Language, ANU. His research interests include contemporary regional issues on development, politics, social change, and heritage management affecting Pacific Island states.

**Ashlee Betteridge**

Ashlee Betteridge was appointed as the Development Policy Centre’s Program Manager in May 2017. She worked with the Centre since March 2013 as a Research Officer, and also worked for us during 2011 while completing a Master of Public Policy at Crawford School of Public Policy, ANU. Prior to joining the centre, Ashlee was a newspaper journalist and editor working in Australia and Indonesia. She has also worked on development communications in Timor-Leste and Indonesia. Ashlee leads the Centre’s outreach, communications, and management. She built and updates the Australian Aid Tracker website, coordinates the Aid Profiles series, helped design the PNG Electoral Database and provides oversight of the Australasian Aid Conference and the Centre’s portfolio of conferences, websites, publications and seminars.

**Camilla Burkot**

Camilla Burkot was a Research Officer at the Development Policy Centre from February 2015 to October 2017 and is now working for the Burnet Institute in Daru, PNG. She has a background in social anthropology (BA Hons, University of Cambridge) and holds a Master of Public Health from Columbia University. She has field experience in Eastern and Southern Africa, and PNG. She worked primarily on research on Australian aid effectiveness under the Centre’s Gates Foundation grant, and edited the Devpolicy Blog.

**Dr Mike Cookson**

Dr Mike Cookson worked for Devpolicy from December 2015 to February 2018 as Partnership Manager for the Centre’s partnership with the UPNG School of Business and Public Policy. He has extensive experience in supporting collaborations with universities in Indonesia, PNG and the Pacific islands. Mike completed his PhD at ANU on political and social change in Indonesian Papua.
Tatia Currie
Tatia Currie was based in Port Moresby from 2016 to 2017 where she worked with Devpolicy as an Associate Lecturer in Public Policy and our in-country Program Coordinator for our partnership with the UPNG School of Business and Public Policy. She has experience in both teaching and applied policy contexts in Africa and Australia, and holds a Masters in Public Policy from the University of Tasmania. Her policy interests include policy design, policy entrepreneurship, governance and policy transfer.

Dr Richard Curtain
Dr Richard Curtain is a Research Fellow (part-time) specialising in Pacific labour mobility. As a public policy consultant, he has worked on labour mobility on assignments related to the Australia-Pacific Technical College, and in Fiji, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Timor-Leste and Tonga. He is the co-author with colleagues at Devpolicy of a paper for the World Bank on Pacific labour mobility. His PhD from ANU is on internal migration and urban unemployment in Papua New Guinea.

Tara Davda
Tara Davda was a Research Officer at the Development Policy Centre from 2015 to 2017. Her research is focused on education and corruption, with particular emphasis on PNG. She undertook quantitative and qualitative analysis, writing, data collection, and provided fieldwork assistance for surveys. She has broad international experience in Asia, Latin America, and PNG, and holds a Masters in International and Development Economics from Crawford School of Public Policy.

Rohan Fox
Rohan Fox is a Research Officer at the Development Policy Centre. He holds a Masters in International and Development Economics from ANU and is currently working on varied analyses of the PNG economy. He previously worked in Port Moresby as a lecturer in economics at the University of Papua New Guinea (UPNG) and Project Coordinator for the Centre’s partnership with the UPNG School of Business and Public Policy.

Husnia Hushang
Husnia Hushang was a Program Officer at the Development Policy Centre in 2016 and again in 2017, leaving in October. She holds a Master of Public Policy from Crawford School of Public Policy, and a Bachelor of Law and Political Science from Kabul University, Afghanistan. She previously worked as a Provincial Development Planning Facilitator, Community Development Officer and Capacity Development Officer for the Ministry of Rural Rehabilitation and Development in Afghanistan.

Sachini Muller
Sachini Muller is a Research Officer at the Development Policy Centre and Co-Editor of the Devpolicy Blog. She is currently completing a Master of Globalisation at ANU.

Dr Bao Nguyen
Dr Bao Nguyen is a Lecturer in Economics, working in Port Moresby as part of the ANU-UPNG partnership. His current research focuses on the relationship between energy and commodity price dynamics and macroeconomic performance on various economies (Australian, Chinese and the US). Prior to completing his PhD at ANU, he worked as a lecturer at the University of Economics Ho Chi Minh City and Harvard Program in Vietnam.

Dr Manoj Kumar Pandey
Dr Manoj Kumar Pandey is a Lecturer in Economics, working in Port Moresby as part of our partnership with UPNG. Prior to joining ANU, he worked as a Fellow in Official Statistics and coordinator of the Official Statistics Program at the School of Economics, Faculty of Business and Economics, University of the South Pacific. Dr Pandey has a background in statistics, applied econometrics and economics, and a PhD in economics from the ANU. His interests include ageing, development, health, labour, gender and wellbeing.
Macarena Rojas

Macarena Rojas was Program Officer at the Development Policy Centre from May 2012 to February 2017. She studied journalism and has a background in program coordination. She holds a Postgraduate Diploma in Asian Studies from The Pontifical Catholic University of Chile.

Dr Michelle Rooney

Dr Michelle Rooney is a Research Fellow at the Development Policy Centre, working for our partnership with the University of Papua New Guinea. She received her PhD from the Department of Pacific Affairs in the Coral Bell School of Asia Pacific Affairs, ANU, in 2017. Michelle also holds a Masters of Arts in Development Economics from University of Sussex, UK, and a Bachelor of Economics (Honours) from ANU.

Henry Sherrell

Henry Sherrell was a Research Officer at the Development Policy Centre from October 2016, working on Pacific labour mobility. He left the Centre in June 2017. He has a background in immigration policy, having worked at the Department of Immigration and Citizenship and the Migration Council Australia, as well as an adviser in Federal politics. He holds a Master of Public Policy from ANU.

Dek Sum

Dek Sum is an Associate Lecturer and Project Coordinator, working in Port Moresby as part of our partnership with UPNG. He holds a Masters in International and Development Economics from ANU, and was awarded the Excellence in Tutoring Awards from the ANU College of Business and Economics in 2017. His research interests include time-series econometrics and development economics.

Dr Anthony Swan

Dr Anthony Swan commenced as a Research Fellow with the Development Policy Centre and a Lecturer in the International and Development Economics Program in January 2013, and left the Centre in June 2017. He has a PhD in economics from ANU and a background in economic policy formulation and consulting. In 2012 he worked for the PNG National Research Institute on the PNG Promoting Effective Public Expenditure (PEPE) Project in Port Moresby. He has also lectured at the University of Papua New Guinea.

Dr Lhawang Ugyel

Dr Lhawang Ugyel is a Lecturer working in Port Moresby as part of our partnership with UPNG, and previously worked as a Research Fellow at Crawford School of Public Policy. His field of research is comparative public administration, specialising in public sector reforms, policy transfer, evaluation studies and cross-cultural studies. Prior to completing his PhD at ANU, he worked for the Royal Government of Bhutan in various capacities, such as Senior Human Resource Officer and Policy Analyst.

Dr Carmen Voigt-Graf

Dr Carmen Voigt-Graf joined the Development Policy Centre in October 2014 as a Fellow and finished up at the Centre in late 2017. She was based in Port Moresby where she was a Senior Research Fellow at the National Research Institute (NRI) and led our research partnership with NRI. Carmen has a PhD from the University of Sydney and has held academic positions at ANU and the University of the South Pacific in Fiji. She also served as an Economic Adviser to the Office of the Chief Trade Adviser in Vanuatu. Carmen has worked on a range of economic issues in the Pacific, particularly in the areas of labour markets, skills development, labour mobility, migration, and regional integration.

Dr Grant Walton

Dr Grant Walton is a Research Fellow and Lecturer at the Development Policy Centre. He researches issues related to corruption, anti-corruption, education policy, international development and civil society. He is the author of the book Anti-Corruption and its Discontents: Local, National and International Perspectives on Corruption in Papua New Guinea. Grant leads our research into the effectiveness of health and education spending in PNG, and undertakes research into perceptions about and responses to corruption in PNG, Solomon Islands and Fiji.
**Visiting Fellows**

**Fessehaie Abraham**
Fessehaie Abraham was the First Eritrean Ambassador to Australia and New Zealand (1993 - 1997) and the founding Coordinator of the Eritrean Relief Association in Australia (1978-1992). He was also a Board Member (1998-2006) of the Fred Hollows Foundation in Australia, and worked closely with the late Professor Fred Hollows to set up an Intraocular Lens Laboratory in Asmara, Eritrea. Fessehaie holds a Master of Business Administration (Executive) from the Australian Graduate School of Management, UNSW, a Master of Science in Industrial Chemistry and Chemical Engineering (UNSW) and a Bachelor of Science in Industrial Chemistry (UNSW). He joined the centre as a Visiting Fellow in August 2017 to work on a book on Australia-Eritrea relations.

**Dr Nematullah Bizhan**
Dr Nematullah Bizhan is a Research Fellow at Oxford University where he studies the role of identities and networks in establishing state legitimacy and effectiveness in fragile and conflict-affected societies. He is also working with the Commission on State Fragility, Growth and Development, a joint initiative of the Oxford University’s Blavatnik School of Government and the London School of Economics (LSE). He has a PhD in Political Science and International Relations from The Australian National University and was previously a high-level participant in the post-2001 government of Afghanistan. His research focuses on international development, state building and legitimacy in conflict-affected and fragile societies, public policy and political economy. His forthcoming book, *Aid Paradoxes in Afghanistan: Building and Undermining the State*, examines post-2001 state building in Afghanistan and how aid has affected it.

**Dr Rochelle Ball**
Dr Rochelle Ball joined the Development Policy Centre in July 2017 as a Visiting Fellow. Her PhD from the University of Sydney on labour mobility from the Philippines was the first in the field. She has held academic positions at Cornell University, Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, the University of Wollongong, University of New South Wales (UNSW) and ANU. She has significant public policy experience working for the Australian government and as a workforce development advocate for the agrifood industry. Since 2008 Rochelle has worked on Pacific international labour mobility and development policy in research roles at ANU, as a consultant to the Office of the Chief Trade Advisor in Vanuatu, the International Labor Organization, and DFAT.

**Dr Amanda H A Watson**
Dr Amanda H A Watson is a Lecturer with ANU, working in Port Moresby as part of our partnership with the University of Papua New Guinea. As well as lecturing, she continues her research in new media technology, the strategic uses of mobile phones in healthcare and citizen engagement, and the telecommunication and media sectors in Papua New Guinea. Her PhD thesis explored the uptake and use of mobile phones during the earliest days of mobile phone adoption in PNG. She has also conducted research on strategic uses of mobile phones in PNG in corruption prevention, healthcare provision, remote data collection, and education. She has published book chapters and in various academic journals, including Mobile Media and Communication, Pacific Journalism Review, Media Asia, Australian Journalism Review and The Australian Journal of Emergency Management.

**Dr Terence Wood**
Dr Terence Wood is a Research Fellow at the Development Policy Centre. He undertakes research on Australian and New Zealand aid, particularly the domestic political economy of aid, as well as research on Melanesian politics. His PhD research focused on studying voter behaviour in Solomon Islands. Prior to commencing his PhD, Terence worked for the New Zealand Government Aid Programme.

**Shannon Young**
Shannon Young is a Program Officer at the Development Policy Centre. She has a Masters in International Development from the University of Canberra. Prior to joining the Centre in October 2017, she worked in various human resources and administration roles for organisations such as CARE Australia and Australian Red Cross. Her interests lie in humanitarian aid and international development.
Robin Davies
Robin Davies was Associate Director from December 2012 to August 2017, based in Geneva from May 2014, and led the Centre’s third research pillar, global development policy. He also contributed to our work on Australian aid effectiveness. He is now Head of the Indo-Pacific Centre for Health Security at the Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade. From 1993 to 2012, he held a range of senior policy and program management roles in the Australian Agency for International Development, serving in Paris and Jakarta, and in July 2014 was made an Honorary Professor of ANU.

Dr Martin Davies
Dr Martin Davies is an Assistant Professor of Economics at Washington and Lee University. His research interests include international trade and development. He has a D.Phil. from Oxford University, and has taught at UPNG, St John’s College Oxford, and the Foreign Commonwealth Office (UK). He has held a post at the Australian Treasury, and is a visitor to the University of Papua New Guinea under the ANU-UPNG partnership.

Dr Dinuk Jayasuriya
Dr Dinuk Jayasuriya worked as a Research Fellow at the Development Policy Centre in 2012 and 2013. Now based in Sri Lanka, he has undertaken research and evaluation work for the Asian Development Bank and the Australian government, and been Research Director for Red Elephant. He previously worked as the evaluation advisor to the Asian Development Bank’s impact evaluation committee and as a Monitoring and Evaluation Officer at the World Bank Group.

Dr Kylie McKenna
Dr Kylie McKenna conducts research that explores the dynamic nexus of business, conflict, violence and peace building. Her case study focci over the past seven years has been the Panguna mine (Bougainville), the Ertsberg and Grasberg mines (Papua) and BP’s Tangguh LNG project (West Papua). She has a particular interest in tracing the connections between the headquarters of extractive companies and local communities affected by resource development. She completed her PhD studies in 2012 at the Regulatory Institutions Network, ANU.

Sam Koim
Sam Koim is a Papua New Guinean lawyer whose career has focused on anti-corruption efforts. He was a Principal Legal Officer at the PNG Department of Justice and Attorney General, before becoming Chairman of Investigation Task Force Sweep, PNG’s multi-agency anti-corruption body. He led this body for five years and was involved in investigating and prosecuting corrupt offenders, penalising and recovering unpaid tax, identifying and recovering proceeds of crime, and working with other agencies. He is also a Council Member of the Papua New Guinea University of Technology. He was a Visiting Fellow at the Development Policy Centre for several months in mid-2017.

Robert Lamontagne
Robert Lamontagne is a Griffith University doctoral candidate researching Australian governance and anti-corruption aid to PNG, Solomon Islands and Vanuatu. He completed his award-winning master’s thesis on Australia’s anti-money laundering aid to Papua New Guinea while interning at Devpolicy under Dr Grant Walton in 2014. Prior to coming to Australia, Rob worked in politics in the United States.

Bob McMullan
Bob McMullan has had a long and distinguished career in the Australian Parliament as one of Australia’s pre-eminent Labor politicians. He is a former Parliamentary Secretary for International Development (2007-2010) and Executive Director for the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development.

Dr Tess Newton Cain
Dr Tess Newton Cain is the principal of TNC Pacific Consulting and is a Visiting Fellow to the Development Policy Centre. She is a citizen of Vanuatu where she lived for almost 20 years and is now based in Brisbane. Tess is a specialist in Pacific regionalism and sub-regionalism, with a particular interest in the Melanesian Spearhead Group. She is a regular contributor to the Devpolicy Blog, where she often co-writes with Matthew Dornan. She is the coordinator of the ‘Pacific Conversations’ series in which she discusses politics and policy with established and emerging leaders from the Pacific island region.
Dr Francis Odhuno

Dr Francis Odhuno is Senior Research Fellow leading the Economic Policy Research Program at the National Research Institute (NRI) in Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea. He joined NRI after completing his PhD at the University of Otago in New Zealand. Prior to that he completed a Master of Arts and Bachelor of Arts at Kenyatta University in Kenya, and became a Certified Practising Accountant (CPA) in Kenya in 2001. He has previously worked at Ernst & Young in Nairobi as a Consultant in International Trade and Tax issues, and with the Ministry of Trade and Industry (also in Nairobi) as an Economist/Statistician and Industrial Development Officer. Dr Odhuno is currently teaching in the Masters of Economic and Public Policy program at UPNG on a part-time basis under the ANU-UPNG partnership. His research area is quantitative political economy, including the economics of peace and conflict, taxation policy, and household and small and medium enterprise economics.

Dr Gordon Peake

Dr Gordon Peake has worked extensively in Timor-Leste, Papua New Guinea, and the Pacific. His book ‘Beloved Land: Stories, Struggles and Secrets from Timor-Leste’ was winner of the 2014 ACT Book of the Year and People’s Choice Awards. Gordon received his PhD from the University of Oxford.

Dr Jonathan Pickering

Dr Jonathan Pickering is a Postdoctoral Fellow at the Centre for Deliberative Democracy and Global Governance at the University of Canberra. He completed his PhD thesis on climate change financing for developing countries at ANU in 2013. Previously, he worked at AusAID (2003–09).

Professor Lekshmi N. Pillai

Professor Lekshmi N. Pillai is the Dean of the School of Business and Public Policy (SBPP) at the University of Papua New Guinea. He leads the partnership between Crawford School of Public Policy and the UPNG SBPP, and is a regular visitor to the Development Policy Centre and ANU.

Dr Marcel Schröder

Dr Marcel Schröder is a Visiting Fellow at the Centre, and in 2015-16 was a Lecturer in Economics at the University of Papua New Guinea, as part of the ANU-UPNG partnership. He is currently an Associate Professor at the Lebanese American University. His research focuses on macroeconomic aspects of economic development.

Dr Jo Spratt

Dr Jo Spratt studied how aid policy changed for her doctorate at the Crawford School of Public Policy, ANU. She is a Visiting Fellow at the Development Policy Centre and a frequent contributor to the Devpolicy blog.

Dr Bill Vistarini

Dr Bill Vistarini is a Visiting Fellow at the Centre. He is currently based in Canberra. Since 1970 he has managed aid projects, lived and taught in Laos, Cambodia, Vanuatu and Indonesia. He has successfully supervised doctoral students from all these countries and Australia. He completed his PhD at La Trobe University in 1994. His postgraduate research was on traditional belief systems in Laos, which included the arrival and impact of Buddhism and the French. He is particularly interested in the practical application of research.

Bob Warner

Bob Warner has worked at the Productivity Commission, the World Bank, the Centre for International Economics, and Crawford School of Public Policy (where he was Director of Pacific Research Partnerships and with Asia and the Pacific Policy Studies). He has been a long-term advisor in Bangladesh and Zimbabwe, and a short-term advisor and consultant to governments in a number of developing countries, particularly in Southeast Asia and the Pacific.
PhD students

The Centre encourages the involvement of PhD students, based at Crawford School of Public Policy or elsewhere, working on topics relating to our research agenda. There are currently five PhD students working under the supervision of Development Policy Centre researchers:

Ian Anderson
Ian Anderson is undertaking research on health priorities and funding in Asia and the Pacific, supervised by Stephen Howes. Ian has more than 30 years of international development experience with AusAID, the World Bank, the Asian Development Bank, and as an independent economics consultant, and is a regular Devpolicy blogger.

Kongkea Chhoeun
Kongkea Chhoeun is researching aid-funded scholarships to Cambodia, supervised by Stephen Howes. Prior to undertaking his PhD, Kongkea worked for various donor agencies in Cambodia.

Edwina Fingleton-Smith
Edwina Fingleton-Smith is researching how energy access can be more effectively utilised for development outcomes in Kenya, supervised by Matthew Dornan.

Chris Hoy
Chris Hoy is undertaking a PhD in economics, with a focus on survey data from PNG and Indonesia. He has ten years of experience in the international development sector. He holds a Master of International and Development Economics from Yale University.

Paskal Kleden
Paskal Kleden is undertaking research on aid to Indonesia, supervised by Stephen Howes. Prior to his PhD, Paskal worked as Research Coordinator in a DFAT-funded education program in Indonesia managed by the Palladium Group.

Centre Associates

The Development Policy Centre’s Associates form a network of researchers and professionals based at ANU, elsewhere in Australia and overseas who interact with, contribute to and support the Centre’s work.

Dr Sharon Bessell
Dr Sharon Bessell is the Director of Research at Crawford School of Public Policy and Director of the Crawford School’s Children’s Policy Centre. She is part of an international research team working on a new, gender-sensitive measure of poverty, the Individual Deprivation Measure.

Dr Carola Betzold
Dr Carola Betzold is a Postdoctoral Research Fellow at the Institute of Development Policy and Management at the University of Antwerp in Belgium. Her research concerns the interplay of climate change and development cooperation, with a specific focus on aid and adaptation in small island developing states, in the Pacific and beyond. Carola holds a PhD in Political Science from ETH Zurich, Switzerland.

Derek Brien
Derek Brien is the Executive Director of the Pacific Institute of Public Policy in Vanuatu.

Dr Sean Burges
Dr Sean Burges is a Lecturer in International Relations at the School of Politics and International Relations, ANU. His research interest is non-traditional aid, with a particular focus on Latin American aid.

Professor Satish Chand
Professor Satish Chand is Professor of Finance at the University of New South Wales and Adjunct Professor at Crawford School of Public Policy, ANU.

Dr Jessie Connell
Dr Jessie Connell recently completed her PhD with the Mekong Research Group, University of Sydney, focusing on population displacement and the resettlement safeguards of international financial institutions. She is currently working for the International Organization for Migration in Canberra.

Congratulations to Centre Associates/Visiting Fellows Denghua Zhang and Jo Spratt who completed their PhDs in 2017.
Dr Jack Corbett
Dr Jack Corbett is an Associate Professor of Politics at the University of Southampton. He has just written a book on the history of the Australian aid program, with support from Devpolicy.

Benjamin Day
Benjamin Day is a PhD scholar in the Coral Bell School of Asia Pacific Affairs at ANU. His research seeks to understand how recent changes in the international system are affecting how traditional donors use foreign aid as an instrument of foreign policy. Ben is a frequent blog contributor on Australian aid policy and global development issues.

Jesse Doyle
Jesse Doyle is a Social Protection Economist with the World Bank Group in Sydney. His research focuses on labour mobility in the Pacific, often in collaboration with Devpolicy. He was a co-author of the Pacific Possible paper on labour mobility.

Dr Björn Dressel
Dr Björn Dressel is a Senior Lecturer at Crawford School of Public Policy, ANU. Among other things, he works on the political economy of public financial management.

Professor Ron Duncan
Professor Ron Duncan is an Emeritus Professor at Crawford School of Public Policy, ANU. His research is currently focused on the binding constraints to growth and ‘clientelist’ politics in the Pacific.

Dr Pierre van der Eng
Dr Pierre van der Eng is an Associate Professor in the Research School of Management, College of Business and Economics, ANU. His research interests include the history of Australia’s foreign aid programs in Indonesia during the 1950s-1980s and its impact on Australia’s international business, and the role of China’s foreign aid and ‘South-South cooperation’ in the internationalisation of Chinese companies.

John Eyers
John Eyers has worked in the Australian Treasury, Asian Development Bank, Commonwealth Secretariat, Office of National Assessments, PNG Treasury, and the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development. His research interest is foreign assistance to fragile and transition states.

Dr Colin Filer
Dr Colin Filer is an Associate Professor at Crawford School of Public Policy. His research interests include the social context, organisation and impact of policies, programs and projects in the mining, petroleum, forestry and conservation sectors.

Paul Flanagan
Paul Flanagan has a longstanding interest in public policy issues in Australia, PNG and more broadly. His 35-year public service career was evenly shared between Treasury/Finance and AusAID. He headed up Treasury’s International Finance and Development Division from 2008-2011 before being seconded to a senior advisor position in the PNG Treasury until August 2013. He is a leading commentator on economic developments in PNG.

Cleo Fleming
Cleo Fleming worked at the Development Policy Centre part-time from 2011 to 2016, first as Program Officer then as Publications Editor. She has a Master of International Development from RMIT and is currently studying Community Service and Development at the Canberra Institute of Technology.

Dr Neelesh Gounder
Dr Neelesh Gounder was the 2016/2017 recipient of the PNG and Pacific Greg Taylor scholarship. He is currently Senior Lecturer in economics and Deputy Head of School (Research and International) at the University of the South Pacific, Suva. He has PhD in economics from Griffith University. Neelesh’s research areas include tourism, trade and growth in Pacific Island countries, poverty and economic performance of Pacific Island countries and the banking sector and financial development in Pacific Island countries.
Dr Susan Harris Rimmer

Dr Susan Harris Rimmer is an Australian Research Council Future Fellow, Associate Professor at the Griffith Law School, and an Adjunct Reader in the Asia-Pacific College of Diplomacy at The Australian National University. She was previously the Manager of Advocacy and Development Practice at the Australian Council for International Development (ACFID). Susan helped to consolidate ACFID’s Academic Linkages Network, and has previously worked for the UN High Commissioner for Refugees, the National Council of Churches, and the Parliamentary Library.

Tony Hughes

Tony Hughes is a freelance consultant in economic management. He lives in Solomon Islands and has worked in a number of Pacific island states. His current research concerns lessons from the experience of development practitioners who have been working in the Pacific in the last 20-30 years.

Dr Janet Hunt

Dr Janet Hunt is an Associate Professor at the Centre for Aboriginal Economic Policy Research (CAEPR) at the ANU where she teaches and conducts research about Indigenous development in Australia. She was previously Executive Director of the Australian Council for International Development and Executive Director of the International Women's Development Agency. She is part of an international research team working on a new, gender-sensitive measure of poverty, the Individual Deprivation Measure.

Dr Rim El Kadi

Dr Rim El Kadi’s research interests include public sector management and reform in developing countries, sustainable development, and aid. Her PhD research, undertaken at the University of South Australia, covered water sector reform in Lebanon, with a particular focus on the role of aid and development agencies in promoting reform and sustainable development, in the context of a weak state and a fragmented social fabric.

Lindy Kanan

Lindy Kanan is the Development Manager of Femili PNG, a case management centre in Lae that assists survivors of family and sexual violence. Lindy is an experienced international development practitioner and has worked for the United Nations, the Australian Government and various non-government organisations including Oxfam Australia and ChildFund Australia.

Dr Patrick Kilby

Dr Patrick Kilby is the Program Coordinator for the Master of Applied Anthropology and Participatory Development Program, ANU, and a regular Devpolicy collaborator and blogger. In 2015 he published NGOs and Political Change: a history of the Australian Council for International Development.

Maholopa (‘Maho’) Laveil

Maholopa (‘Maho’) Laveil is currently undertaking a Masters in International and Development Economics (IDEC) at the ANU after being awarded a scholarship under the ANU-UPNG partnership. Prior to commencing his IDEC program, Maho tutored Economics for a year at the University of Papua New Guinea (UPNG). He started his academic career as a Researcher Cadet at the PNG National Research Institute (NRI) in 2014, after graduating with a Bachelor in Economics from the University of Papua New Guinea in 2013.

Belinda Lawton

Belinda Lawton is a PhD candidate at Crawford School of Public Policy researching not-for-profit, non-government hospitals and clinics in fragile countries in Asia. Belinda is a communications specialist who has worked with several health-related NGOs in Timor-Leste, Bangladesh and Thailand. Belinda is a regular contributor to the Devpolicy Blog, writing on global health issues.

Dr Kamalini Lokuge

Dr Kamalini Lokuge is a Senior Research Fellow in the National Centre for Epidemiology and Public Health, ANU. Her current research includes monitoring and evaluating support services for survivors of family and sexual violence in Papua New Guinea.

Dr Sango Mahanty

Dr Sango Mahanty is currently an ARC Future Fellow, Resources Environment & Development Group at Crawford School of Public Policy.

Andrew Anton Mako

Andrew Anton Mako completed a Master of International and Development Economics at Crawford School of Public Policy in 2012. He then worked as a Research Officer at the Development Policy Centre, and then as a Research Fellow at the PNG National Research Institute on the PNG Promoting Effective Public Expenditure (PEPE) project. He is currently working with the Pacific Islands Forum.
Dr Wesley Morgan

Dr Wesley Morgan is a lecturer in the School of Government, Development and International Affairs at the University of the South Pacific. His PhD explored the PACER-Plus trade negotiations between member countries of the Pacific Islands Forum.

Matthew Morris

Matthew Morris helped to establish the Development Policy Centre and served as the Centre’s first Deputy Director. Matt is a development economist with 20 years’ experience: currently a board member of the Pacific Institute of Public Policy and an independent consultant.

Logea Nao

Logea Nao completed her Masters in International and Development Economics at Crawford School of Public Policy, ANU, and was a 2014/2015 recipient of the Greg Taylor Scholarship. She formerly worked as a researcher at the National Research Institute in PNG.

Dr Joel Negin

Dr Joel Negin is Head of School and an Associate Professor of International Public Health at the University of Sydney’s School of Public Health. His research focus is on health and development in sub-Saharan Africa and the Pacific and he is a regular contributor to the Devpolicy Blog on global health issues.

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Annamaree O’Keeffe is a Nonresident Fellow at the Lowy Institute for International Policy.

David Osborne

David Osborne is a Research Fellow in the Pacific Islands Program at the Lowy Institute. David’s research focuses on economic development and public policy in PNG and the Pacific region, with a particular interest in foreign investment, aid, macroeconomic policy, and volatility. Prior to joining the Lowy Institute, he was Adam Smith International’s Principal Economist. He has worked for AusAID and DFAT as a Senior Economist, including as Country Economist in PNG, and ran DFAT’s Mining for Development initiative. He worked for the PNG Sustainable Development Program in Port Moresby as an economist for two years, and prior to that worked for government and NGOs in Indonesia.

Sabit Otor

Sabit Otor focuses his research on aid effectiveness, aid for trade, macroeconomic determinants of aid graduation, and developing countries. He holds a Bachelor of Science and Education from Alexandria University (Egypt), a Bachelor Degree and Graduate Diploma of Economics from ANU, and a Master of International and Development Economics from ANU. In 2017, he co-authored a discussion paper with Matthew Dornan on the impact of aid on trade in Asia.

Dr Hom Pant

Dr Hom Pant is an Adjunct Fellow at ANU. He is developing additional capabilities to a widely used general equilibrium model of the global economy to enable staff and students of ANU to conduct sound analysis of policies of national and international significance. Prior to joining ANU, he was a senior economist at the Australian Bureau of Agricultural and Resource Economics and Sciences. He also served as a Senior Advisor to the National Planning Commission of Nepal, as a consultant to the World Bank, and Research Fellow at the University of Tasmania.

Jonathan Pryke

Jonathan Pryke worked at the Development Policy Centre from 2011, and left in mid-2015 to join Lowy Institute, where he is now Director of the Pacific Islands Program. He holds a Master of Public Policy/Master of Diplomacy from the Crawford School of Public Policy and the College of Diplomacy, ANU.

Ani Ila Rova

Ani Ila Rova is currently undertaking a Masters in International and Development Economics (IDEC) at the ANU after being awarded a scholarship under the ANU-UPNG partnership. Ani is a long-term member of the Division of Economics at the University of Papua New Guinea, having commenced work at the university as a tutor in 2007. He has a degree in Economics from UPNG and in 2016 completed a Graduate Certificate in Governance and Public Policy from the University of Queensland.

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Ronald Sofe was a Research Associate at the Development Policy Centre working on the PNG PEPE Project, as one of the awardees of the 2014 Australian Prime Minister's Pacific Program. He has now completed his graduate studies in economics at Crawford School of Public Policy and is a Research Fellow of the PNG National Research Institute.

Nikunj Soni
Nikunj Soni is a Co-Founder and Chair of the Pacific Institute of Public Policy (PiPP). He has held a range of senior positions in the Pacific region and Timor-Leste.

Dr Savitri Taylor
Dr Savitri Taylor is an Associate Professor in the Law School at La Trobe University, Melbourne. Her main area of research interest is refugee law and asylum policy at the national, regional and international level.

Dr Maylee Thavat
Dr Maylee Thavat is a Research and Teaching Associate in the Resources, Environment and Development area of Crawford School of Public Policy, ANU. She has specific expertise in the areas of rural development and agricultural value chains, climate change, environment and disaster risk reduction. Her previous work includes consultancies for AusAID, Overseas Development Institute, NZAID and Oxfam.

Thomas Wangi
Thomas Wangi is a Research Fellow at the National Research Institute. In 2014 he visited Devpolicy as the recipient of the Greg Taylor Scholarship. He holds a Masters of Economics from James Cook University.

Paul Wyrwoll
Paul Wyrwoll is an economics PhD candidate and Managing Editor of the Global Water Forum, Crawford School, ANU. His research focuses on the economics of improving the environmental performance of hydropower dams. He has worked with Stephen Howes on environmental problems facing Asia, most recently co-authoring in Rotman Management (Winter 2015 edition) an article on ‘The downside of growth: Asia’s wicked environmental problems’.

Dr Charles Yala
Dr Charles Yala was until recently the Director of the PNG National Research Institute. He has a PhD from ANU. His research focuses on the economics of land tenure, customary land tenure reform, development planning, competition policy and economic reform.

Dr Fiona Yap
Dr Fiona Yap is Associate Professor at the Crawford School of Public Policy. Her main research interests focus on how strategic interactions between government and citizens in East and Southeast Asia lead to outcomes such as democratization, civil-military relations, peace, economic development, and policy success. She is co-editor of the European Journal of Development Research, and Asia and the Pacific Policy Studies, board member of the Korea Institute, and editorial board member for Asian Survey, Korea Observer, and 21st Century Political Science Review.

Dr Denghua Zhang
Dr Denghua Zhang completed his PhD on Chinese triangular aid cooperation at the ANU Department of Pacific Affairs. His research focuses on Chinese foreign aid and foreign policy. Prior to that, he had a decade long career as a civil servant in China. He worked in the Pacific region for five years, including in Tonga and New Zealand.
Interna, Research Assistants, and Volunteers

In 2012 we began accepting interns through the Australian National Internships Program (ANIP). Interns at the Centre assist with both research and administrative tasks while conducting a research project that counts toward their degree. In 2017, we hosted three interns through the ANIP program:

**Morgan Marshall**, who undertook research on Indonesian migration to Australia under the supervision of Henry Sherrell.

**Sanzida Akter**, who worked on a meta-analysis of aid project evaluations under the supervision of Terence Wood and Matthew Dornan.

**Philip Matthews**, who completed research on anti-corruption reform in Solomon Islands with Grant Walton.

A number of volunteers also supported the running of the 2017 Australasian Aid Conference: **Eloise Adsett, Jacqui Battin, Brittany Betteridge, Harriet Conron, Dave Ierace, Sienna Lake, and Stephanie Rowell.**
## INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

The table below summarises our funding and expenditure for the 2017 calendar year. Note that the figures do not include substantial in-kind support received from The Australian National University. We also acknowledge funding and support from The Asia Foundation, The Asian Development Bank, the University of Papua New Guinea and the University of the South Pacific direct to the various events we co-organise.

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In 2017, Devpolicy:

348
Published 348 blog posts

33
Hosted 33 events in 3 countries

23
Published 23 discussion papers, policy briefs, reports, blog compilations, and submissions

2,398
Was followed by an additional 2,398 users on Twitter, bringing the total to 8,538

799
Gained 799 more Facebook followers, bringing the total to 4,677

246
Signed up 246 more people for daily emails from the Devpolicy Blog, bringing the total to 3,149

15
Was a team of about 15 full-time equivalent researchers and staff at the centre of a network of about 70 Visiting Fellows, Research Associates, PhD students and interns
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