2018 PNG Update – *PNG in the year of APEC*
Thursday 14 and Friday 15 June 2018. The University of Papua New Guinea, Waigani Campus, Port Moresby

Hosted by the School of Business and Public Policy, University of Papua New Guinea and the Development Policy Centre, Crawford School of Public Policy, The Australian National University

7:00-9:00pm  Wednesday 13 June – Cocktail reception - UPNG Drill Hall (*by invitation only*)
   Reception address by Mr Bruce Davis, Australian High Commissioner to PNG (TBC).

**Day one – Thursday 14 June 2018**
*Venue: New Lecture Theatre (NLT), UPNG*

8.30am  Registration and arrival tea and coffee

9.00am  **Plenary Session 1: Opening addresses**  
   *Master of Ceremony: Dr Lawrence Sause*

   **Welcome**
   Mr Vincent Malaibe, Acting Vice Chancellor, The University of Papua New Guinea

   **Inaugural address**
   Mr Charles Abel, Treasurer and Deputy Prime Minister

   **Opening address**
   Sir Charles Lepani, Chairman of the APEC 2018 Coordinating Authority – “PNG in the year of APEC”

10.30 – 11:00am Morning tea

11.00am  **Plenary Session 2: Economic developments**  
   *Master of Ceremony: Prof Lekshmi N Pillai*

   **PNG’s economy**
   Mr Ian Ling-Stuckey – Shadow Minister for Treasury and Finance

   **ANU-UPNG PNG economic survey 2017-2018**
   Bao Nguyen, Dek Sum, Nelson Nema, Rohan Fox and Stephen Howes

12.30 – 1:30pm Lunch

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1:30pm Parallel Session 1

1A. Land and development
Chairperson: Prof Mangae Matui
Thomas Wangi: Accessibility of customary land for residential property development in Papua New Guinea: challenges and prospects
Angela Mageto: National sustainable land use policy
Michael Agum: Accessing customary land for national projects in PNG

1B. Exchange rate issues, trade, and the macroeconomy
Chairperson: Mr Nik Soni
Bao Nguyen and Dek Sum: The effects of real exchange rate and external shocks on Papua New Guinea’s trade balance
Martin Davies: A new policy framework for resource-rich developing countries: can an export boom be contractionary
Stanis Hulahau: Food inflation and its impact on the economy of Papua New Guinea
Marcel Schroder: Determinants of the effectiveness of macro-prudential policy in the Asia-Pacific: take away lessons for PNG

1C. Security and employment
Chairperson: Prof Bety Lovai
Johnson Ahupa: Human security perspective: a case study of working class women in Goroka
Michelle Rooney: Ethics and methods in researching gender based violence
Christopher Hoy: What is the benefit of a comprehensive active labour market program? Evidence from PNG
Richard Curtain: How is Australia’s Seasonal Workers Program performing and what PNG can do to lift its numbers?

1D. Health programs and performance
Chairperson: Prof John Vince
Tabian Ambang: Implementation planning of the National Health Plan in a decentralized health system in Madang province, Papua New Guinea
Jennifer Litau: A multi-disciplinary analysis of service access, community resilience and maternal mortality in Gulf Province
Alphonse Kona: Public service motivation and brain drain in Papua New Guinea’s public sector: a case of PNG’s national health department
Kevin Ali: Donor funding to the PNG health sector: how much, where it comes from and where is it spent?

3:00 – 3:30pm Afternoon tea

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A: New Lecture Theatre (NLT)
B: Main Lecture Theatre (MLT)
C: Arts Lecture Theatre (ALT)
D: Science Lecture Theatre (SLT)
3:30pm Parallel Session 2

2A. Governance and development I
Chairperson: Prof Steven Winduo

- Teddy Edwards Winn: Citizens’ perceptions of patron-client politics on corruption within the civil service and governance system in PNG
- Grant Walton: The wrong way to close a funding gap: anti-corruption and the 2018 PNG budget
- Livai Kuaken: Independence of the governance and managerial functions of the state-owned enterprise in Papua New Guinea
- Mark Moran: Trade, livelihoods and development in Papua New Guinea’s South Fly region

2B. Agriculture, fisheries and tourism
Chairperson: Dr Joyce Rayel

- Mike Bourke: Climate change: impact on Papua New Guinea agriculture
- Brendan Jinks: The 2018 earthquake in Papua New Guinea: were lessons learned from the 2015-16 drought?
- Michael Kabuni: Post-Brexit impact on PNG’s canned tuna industry exports to the UK
- Allan Sumb: Visitors’ perceptions of safety and security issues in Madang Province, PNG

2C. Port Moresby studies
Chairperson: Dr Fiona Hukula

- Sofia Bartlett, Tahina Booth and Kina Mala: A community-initiated pilot program using sport to address non-communicable diseases, anti-social behaviour and social inequality
- Jack Assa and Elton Powe: Service characteristics and regulatory oversight of public transport in Port Moresby
- Lorraine Maro Taram: The changing role of women in fresh food marketing: a case study from Port Moresby
- Eugene Ezebilo: Preferences and willingness to pay for recreation in Port Moresby Nature Park: an application of the choice experiment approach

2D. Digital technology
Chairperson: Mr William Tapio

- Nisa Fachry, Amanda Watson and Christina Cheong: Market fee payment through custom-made software: the findings of a pilot
- Daniel Martin: Electronic government: factors that influence adoption by agencies in Papua New Guinea
- Paul Kaita: Decisions and behaviour: lessons from a Goilala ICT project
- Murdo McRae: Is a bank-led model the best way to introduce digital financial services in emerging markets? A case study of PNG

5:00pm Close for day

6.00pm Film night – Viewing of My Father, My Country, Q&A following with Dame Meg Taylor
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Day two – Friday 15 June 2018

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9.00am  Plenary Session 3: Leadership and the future  Master of Ceremony: Mr Ben David
         New Lecture Theatre (NLT)

         Keynote
         Mr Tony Shepherd AO, Pacific Leadership and Governance Precinct Executive Advisory Board

         Keynote
         Dame Meg Taylor, Secretary General to the Pacific Islands Forum

10.30 – 11:00 am  Morning tea

11.00am  Plenary Session 4: ANU-UPNG research showcase  Master of Ceremony: Prof Stephen Howes
         New Lecture Theatre (NLT)

         Health phone services in Papua New Guinea
         Amanda H A Watson and Ralph Kaule

         Decentralization in PNG
         Emmanuel Gorea, Lawrence Sause and Lhawang Ugyel

         Family and sexual violence—impacts on education
         Dora Kuir-Ayius and Michelle Rooney

         Infant industry protection in PNG: case-studies
         Maholopa Laveil and Rohan Fox

         Health expenditure performance in Papua New Guinea
         Colin Wiltshire, Amanda H A Watson, Denise Lokinap and Tatia Currie

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1:30pm Parallel Session 3

3A. Housing

Chairperson: Mr Jerry Wemin

- Eugene Ezebilo: Potential public-private partnership strategy for promoting effective housing delivery
- Francis Odhuno: Public perceptions about housing benefit tax in Papua New Guinea
- Logea Nao: Trunk infrastructure is necessary for large-scale housing developments: lessons from the Duran Farm Housing Project
- Lewis Iwong: Exploring affordable housing: case study of informal rental housing in Ensisi, NCD

3B. Governance and development II

Chairperson: Mr Vincent MalaiBe / Prof Albert Mellam

- Paul Kelly and Dorothy Luana: Cultivating a participatory approach to governance in Papua New Guinea
- Barbra Thomas: Understanding youth perceptions of governance: need for space, engagement and participation
- Terence Wood: The deep determinants of district development in PNG
- Fiona Yap and Anthony Swan: Governance reform, leadership and support in PNG: evidence from experiments
- Henry Okole: Understanding governance in PNG: urban versus rural

3C. Microfinance and financial inclusion

Chairperson: Prof David Kavanamur

- Rohan Fox and Christopher Hoy: Improving rates of female financial inclusion at the household level
- Robyn Cornford: Achieving effective financial inclusion for women in PNG
- Muneer Babu Mancheri: Performance of microfinance institutions in Papua New Guinea
- Martin Davies: Financial Inclusion in Papua New Guinea: a lender but not a borrower be!

3D. Public health

Chairperson: Prof Nakapi Tefurani

- Barry Reed: Rampant and neglected: malignant mouth cancer and dental disease: their burdens and ultralow cost solutions for PNG
- Jordana Dawson Hayes: Strengthening eye care in Papua New Guinea
- Peter Siba: Public-private partnerships: important for addressing development issues in Papua New Guinea
- Lhawang Ugyel: Integrating formal and informal institutions: The Bougainville healthy communities program

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4A. Politics and elections  Chairperson: Mr Sam Kaipu
Sarah Kaut-Nasengom  What are some lessons that we can learn from experiences of women in the 2017 National Elections?
Bal Kama  The role of the judiciary in the post-election era
Geejay Milli  Promoting equality and political participation through APEC
Stephen Pokawin  Institutionalization of politics in service delivery
Russel Yangin  Papua New Guinea elections embedded in its political culture: a narrative of the 2017 general election

4B. Resource projects: revenue and land  Chairperson: Dr Martin Davies
Glenn Banks and Martyn Namorong  Resource revenues, transparency and development: Using EITI to promote more sustainable development in Papua New Guinea.
Kenneth Cornilius  Application of community mapping in mine impacted communities in Papua New Guinea: the case of Mt Kare gold project
Bill Sagir  Improving standards in the practice of social mapping and landowner identification in PNG’s oil and gas industry
Stephen Howes  Resource revenues in PNG: why so low?

4C. Education and performance  Chairperson: Ms Suzanne Edgecombe
Andrew Julius  Discussion on sustainability of tuition fee-free education policy in Papua New Guinea
Russel Kitau  Roller-coaster: the challenge of using teaching and learning as an opportunity for teacher professional development
Aivat Epeli  Cushioning state funding declines of universities
Kieran Sciberras  Regional influences on the anthropometric and performance characteristics in PNG: a work in progress

4D. Sustainable development  Chairperson: Prof Chalapan Kaluwin
Kia-Henry Nema  Making the best use of the SDG’s in PNG
David Mowbray  Eco-centric and strong sustainability strategies for sustainable, broad-based and inclusive development in PNG
Mathew Komabo  Sustainable urban design, planning and management for PNG cities and towns
Alfred Faiteli  The population and development dichotomy: where does PNG fit in?

4.50pm  Closing Session: concluding remarks  Master of Ceremony: Mr P Manohar

New Lecture Theatre (NLT)
Prof. Lekshmi Pillai, Dean SBPP UPNG
Prof. Stephen Howes, Director, Development Policy Centre, ANU

7:00-10:00pm Update dinner - UPNG Drill Hall  (by invitation only) Master of Ceremony: Dr Grant Walton
Book Launch of Seven snapshots of a Nation: contemporary challenges and opportunities facing Papua New Guinea
Jonathan Pryke – Director of Lowy Institute Pacific Islands Program

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