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2014 NATIONAL BUDGET FORUM

**Theme: Implementing the policies from the PNG Budget:
Evidence from the PEPE Project**

Thursday, 10th April 2014 | NRI Conference Centre | 9am – 12:30pm

PROGRAM

TIME	ACTIVITY
9:00– 9:10	Welcome Address: Dr. Thomas Webster, NRI Director
Session 1: 2014 PNG National Budget	
9:10 – 9:30	Accountability and transparency at provincial, district and local levels <i>Dr Ken Ngangan, Acting Secretary, Department of Finance</i>
9:30 – 9:50	Analysis of 2014 PNG Budget & Relevance to PEPE Research <i>Prof. Stephen Howes, Director, Development Policy Centre, ANU</i>
9:50 – 10:10	Discussant: <i>Mr. Paul Barker, Executive Director, Institute of National Affairs</i>
10:10-10:40	Panel Session (Q & A)
10:40 – 11:00	Morning Tea Break
Session 2: Providing free Health and Education services. (The experience of church and state providers)	
11:00 – 11:20	PEPE findings on Health financing and implications for the free Health policy. <i>Colin Wiltshire, ANU & Andrew A. Mako, NRI</i>
11:20 – 11:30	Response: Dr. Scott Doley, Nazarene (Kudjip) Hospital Administrator, Jiwaka Province Mr. Navi Mulou, Senior Economist, National Department of Health (NDoH)
11:30– 11:40	Q&A on Free Health Policy
11:40 – 12:00	School subsidy spending and the free Education policy <i>Anthony Swan, ANU</i>
12:00 – 12:10	Response: Mr. Richard Jones Director, Voluntary Service Overseas (“VSO”), an international development charity; Mr. Peter Baki, Divine Word University (former Secretary for National Department of Education (NDoE))
12:10 – 12:20	Q&A on Free Education Policy
12:20 – 12:30	Closing Remarks: <i>Dr. Osborne Sanida, Program Leader, Economic Policy Research Program, NRI</i>

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Refreshments