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Biographies of Session Chairs and Presenters

Plenary Session 1: Welcoming Addresses and Opening Ceremony	
Vijay Naidu, Acting Dean of Faculty of Business and Economics, USP	Professor Naidu was educated in Fiji and the United Kingdom. He obtained his undergraduate and masters qualifications at the University of the South Pacific (USP). He completed his doctoral studies at the University of Sussex in Brighton (Falmer), England. He is currently Professor and Director of Development Studies, and Head of School of Government, Development and International Affairs (SGDIA), Faculty of Business and Economics at the University of the South Pacific (USP). From 2003 to 2006, he was Professor and Director of Development Studies in the School of Geography, Environment and Earth Sciences, Faculty of Science at the Victoria University of Wellington (VUW). Prior to taking up the VUW Chair, he had served in various senior positions at USP. These included Dean of Foundation Studies, Associate Professor/Reader in Sociology, Head of School of Social and Economic Development (SSED), Professor and Director of the Centre for Development Studies, Pro-Vice Chancellor (Academic) and Acting Vice Chancellor. He has researched and published individually and jointly, 6 books and monographs, 18 reports, 80 papers and has presented more than 100 conference papers on aid, economic growth and development, ethnicity and racism, higher education, electoral politics, land tenure, the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs), migration, the post-colonial state, poverty and poverty reduction, child sexual abuse and the commercial sexual exploitation of children, small island states and globalisation, social protection and human security.
Rajesh Chandra, Vice Chancellor and President, USP	Rajesh has been Vice Chancellor of The University of the South Pacific since August 2008. He served as Foundation Vice-Chancellor of the University of Fiji. Prior to University of Fiji, he served USP for close to 30 years, where he held a number senior positions including Acting Vice-Chancellor, Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Pro Vice-Chancellor (Academic) and Director of Planning and Development. Over those years, he also made significant contributions to the international academic community. He was Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Commonwealth Universities Study Abroad Consortium from 1999 to 2003 and he was also a member of the Technical Advisory Committee exploring the feasibility of a Virtual University for Commonwealth Small States. Within the Pacific region, Rajesh was part of the Pacific delegation to the World Summit on Sustainable Development and he has attended the Pacific Island Leaders Meeting, the Commonwealth Education Ministers Meeting, the Forum Economic Ministers meeting, the Pacific Islands Forum and the General Meeting of the Association of Commonwealth Universities.
Margaret Twomey, Australian High Commissioner to Fiji	Ms Twomey is a senior career officer with the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT). Ms Twomey has previously served as Ambassador to the Russian Federation, Ambassador to East Timor; Deputy Head of Mission at the Australian High Commission,

	<p>Suva and in previous postings to London and Belgrade. Ms Twomey holds a Bachelor of Arts degree with Honours (Russian and French) from the University of Melbourne.</p>
<p>Aiyaz Sayed-Khaiyum, Attorney-General and Minister for Economy, Fiji</p>	<p>Prior to his appointment as a Cabinet Minister following the first ever truly democratic election in September 2014, Mr Sayed-Khaiyum was the Fijian Attorney-General and the Minister for Justice, Anti-Corruption, Public Enterprises, Communications, Civil Aviation, Tourism, Industry and Trade and the Minister responsible for Elections under the Bainimarama Government. Mr. Sayed-Khaiyum attended Marist Brothers High School. He completed his Masters in Law degree at the University of Hong Kong. He also holds a Graduate Diploma in Legal Practice from the University of Wollongong in Australia. He obtained his Bachelor of Laws (LLB) degree at the University of New South Wales (Sydney), Australia. He attained his Bachelor of Arts (BA) majoring in Political Science and Development Studies degree from the Australian National University in Canberra, Australia. He is admitted to the Supreme Court of New South Wales and to the High Courts of Australia and Fiji. Prior to his acceptance of the position of the Attorney-General, he was the General Manager, Group Legal & Compliance and Company Secretary of the Colonial Group of Companies in Suva, Fiji. Besides working as a Senior Legal Officer at the Director of Public Prosecutions Office in Suva, Fiji, Mr Sayed-Khaiyum has also practiced law with Minter Ellison Lawyers in Sydney, Australia.</p>
<p>Plenary Session 2: Regional Overview</p>	
<p>Emma Veve, Director, Asian Development Bank (ADB)</p>	<p>Emma is Director of Urban, Social Development and Public Management Division in the Pacific Department of the Asian Development Bank. Previously, she was Principal Economist in the Pacific Department responsible for macroeconomic monitoring, research and regional programming for the Pacific. She also worked with ADB's Pacific Subregional Office in Suva, Fiji. There her work involved economic analysis, country programming, and project administration. She joined ADB in 2005 following a period as Economic Adviser with the Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat in Suva, Fiji. Prior to this she held various positions in the Australian commonwealth public service, predominantly in economic research. She completed a double degree in agricultural science and economics from the University of Queensland, Brisbane, Australia and holds a master's degree in economics from the University of New England, Armidale, Australia.</p>
<p>Plenary Session 3: Fiji Outlook and Launch of the Fiji Country Diagnostics Study</p>	
<p>Bambang Susantono, Vice President for Knowledge Management and Sustainable Development, ADB</p>	<p>Mr. Bambang Susantono assumed the position of VPKM in July 2015. He is responsible for management of ADB's Sustainable Development and Climate Change Department, Economic Research and Regional Cooperation Department, and Department of External Relations. Prior to this, Mr. Susantono was the Vice-Minister of Indonesia's Ministry of Transportation and Deputy Minister for Infrastructure and Regional Development. He has extensive experience providing policy advice to government, private sector organizations and international institutions. He chaired several research institutes and taught in universities. He was also Commissioner for airline, port, telecommunications and media companies. He served as the President of Indonesia Intelligent Transport Society; Vice President of East Asia Society of Transportation Studies based in Tokyo, Japan; and a member of the Board of Trustee of the SouthSouthNorth Foundation in Johannesburg, South Africa. Mr. Susantono holds a PhD in Infrastructure Planning and Master's degrees in Transportation Engineering, and City and Regional Planning from the University of California Berkeley. He holds a Bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering from the Bandung Institute of Technology.</p>
<p>Barry Whiteside, Governor, Reserve Bank of Fiji</p>	<p>Mr Barry Whiteside was appointed the Governor of the Reserve Bank of Fiji on 5 May 2011. He was reappointed for another three year term on 28 May 2014. Mr Whiteside was educated at Suva Grammar School and went on to obtain a Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics and Administration from the University of the South Pacific. He was the recipient of the USP Award for studies in Administration. Later, as a Commonwealth scholar, he completed a Master of Arts degree in Economics from Simon Fraser</p>

	<p>University, Canada. Governor Whiteside is a career central banker and has been with the Reserve Bank of Fiji since 1977. He joined as an Assistant Research Officer in the Economics Department and headed the Department in 1991. Mr Whiteside has also had experience at a senior level in the Operations and International areas of the Bank. He was appointed Chief Manager Financial Markets in April 1998 and Chief Manager Currency and Corporate Services in 2002. He took on the role of Chief Manager Financial Institutions in 2004. For nearly six months of 2008 and for much of 2009, Mr Whiteside acted as Deputy Governor. On 1 October 2009, he was appointed Deputy Governor and Acting Governor on 9 December 2010.</p>
<p>Edimon Ginting, Director, ADB</p>	<p>Edimon Ginting is currently Director of Economic Analysis and Operational Support Division at the Economic Research and Regional Cooperation Department of ADB. Prior to joining ADB in 2007, he had extensive international experience, including working as an economist at the International Monetary Fund, advisor at the Indonesian Parliament, research economist at the Productivity Commission, Australia, researcher and lecturer at the University of Indonesia, post-doctoral fellow at Monash University, and research economist at Gadjah Mada University. Mr. Ginting received his Ph.D. in economics from Monash University.</p>
<p>Parallel Session 1a: State-Owned Enterprises (SOE) Reform</p>	
<p>Chair: Wawan Juswanto, Senior Economist, ADBI</p>	<p>Wawan Juswanto is a Senior Economist and Special Advisor to the Dean, Asian Development Bank Institute (ADBI). He joined ADBI in January 2016. Prior to that he acquired extensive experience in economic and development policy decision making at the Ministry of Finance, Indonesia, where he was assigned to various senior positions, mostly in the Fiscal Policy Agency, concerning macroeconomic policy, taxation, and international cooperation. Mr. Juswanto has extensive collaborative experience with major international financial institutions, including the Asian Development Bank, the Islamic Development Bank, the International Monetary Fund, and the World Bank, and has organized workshops, seminars, and training events at the national and international levels. In addition, he has been engaged in global development agenda discussions through United Nations joint programs with Indonesia's Ministry of Finance. He earned his MA and PhD in International Development from Nagoya University in Japan.</p>
<p>Chris Russell, SOE & Governance Expert, Private Sector Development Initiative (PSDI)</p> <p><i>Finding Balance 2016: Benchmarking SOE Performance in Island Economies</i></p>	<p>Mr. Chris Russell is co-author of the four ADB publications <i>Finding Balance</i> including the fifth planned to be published in August. His area of expertise is SOE and Corporate Governance reform. Before joining ADB Chris was Chief Executive of the Auckland Regional Services Trust (ARST) – a SOE holding company and CEO of the New Zealand Crown Company Monitoring and Advisory Unit (CCMAU) - CCMAU was responsible for monitoring New Zealand's SOEs. He was CEO of M-Co from 2001 to 2006, operating New Zealand's wholesale electricity market. Since 2007, Chris has been a consultant with the ADB's Private Sector Development Initiative advising Pacific governments on various aspects of SOE reform. Chris also recently provided advice to the Government of Vietnam on SOE reforms. Chris holds an LLB; a Diploma of Corporate Management; and an MBA.</p>
<p>David Paul, Senator, Republic of the Marshall Islands (RMI)</p> <p><i>Reforming an SOE (The Marshalls Energy Company) – It is no Easy Task</i></p>	<p>Senator David Paul holds a Masters of Business Administration from the University of the South Pacific (2012), Diplome de Institute International D'Administration Publique (1998), and Bachelor of Arts Degree from Le Moyne College (1996) in Syracuse, New York. He is currently a Senator for Kwajalein Atoll in the Marshall Islands National Parliament (Nitijela) since January 2016. Prior to that, he was General Manager (Combined Utilities) of the Marshalls Energy Company from August 2009 to January 2016. Other positions he held include: Territory Manager for FSM/RMI, Commercial/Retail, Mobil Oil Micronesia– ExxonMobil, September 2005 to July 2009; Undersecretary for Asia Pacific Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, January 2005 to August 2005; Deputy Executive Director for the RMI Compact Negotiation Office, July 2002 to January 2005; Charge d'affairs a.i, at the Embassy of the</p>

	RMI in Taipei, Taiwan, November 2000 to July 2002; and Foreign Service Officer at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, August 1998 to November 2000
Sione 'Akau'ola, CEO for Public Enterprises, Ministry of Public Enterprises, Tonga <i>Political Commitment and Governance: Two Drivers of SOE Reform in Tonga</i>	Mr. 'Akau'ola holds a Masters of Business Administration (2003) and a Bachelor of Arts majoring in Economics and Management & Public Administration (1999) from the University of the South Pacific, Fiji. His career in the public service began in 1999 when he was appointed to the position of Assistant Secretary in the then Establishment Division of the Prime Minister's Office. Since then, he has taken over senior positions in various Government Ministries including acting appointments in Head of Department positions such as Acting Secretary for Marine and Ports, Acting Secretary for Civil Aviation, Acting Secretary for Transport, and Acting CEO for Public Service Commission. Prior to his appointment, Mr. 'Akau'ola was the Acting Chief Executive Officer for the Ministry of Public Enterprises from 24 October, 2014 to 24 June, 2015. He has sat on various professional committees and has chaired the Transport Sector Consolidation Project Preparation Working Committee in many occasions, and Deputy Chair of the Pacific Aviation Safety Organization (PASO) finance committee for a few years.
Kietau Tabwebweiti, National SOE Reform Specialist, Ministry of Finance and Economic Development, Kiribati <i>Kiribati SOE Reform experience</i>	Mr Tabwebweiti has a BA degree from USP in 1981. He commenced work in Government and SOEs in 1982. He attended training courses in Executive Management, Strategic Management for CEOs, and Pacific Governance course (NZ Institute of Directors) as well as Post-Grad diploma courses in Management in 1987 and 1989. He has held Finance Manager positions in several SOEs for a total of 9 years, then 18 years as CEO for 2 SOEs in 1991 and 1995 respectively prior to appointment as Secretary, Ministry of Communications, Transport, and Tourism. He commenced consulting upon retiring from civil service in 2009; contracting with Ministry of Transport and Communications, Office of the President, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, UNDP, PRIFF, EU, and ADB before taking on his current position on the SOE Reform TA program.
Parallel Session 1b: Linking Tourism and Agricultural Development	
Chair: Roland Rajah, Country Economist for Vanuatu, ADB	Roland Rajah is the ADB country economist for Solomon Islands, Vanuatu, and Nauru and is country team leader for the latter. Roland is also team leader for the Pacific Region Infrastructure Facility Coordination Office. He has been in the position since August 2015 and is based in Sydney, Australia. Roland's areas of focus include macroeconomics, public finance, public sector reform, and economic development. Prior to joining ADB, Roland was an economist based in Jakarta, Indonesia, with the Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade. Before this, he covered emerging markets at the Reserve Bank of Australia.
Marcus Stephenson, Head of School of Tourism, USP <i>The Political Economy of Tourism Development in the South Pacific</i>	Professor Marcus L. Stephenson is a Professor of Tourism and Hospitality, and Head of the Tourism and Hospitality Management School at the University of The South Pacific. Previously, he was an Associate Professor of International Tourism Management and the former Chair of Research at Middlesex University Dubai. He has a MA in the Sociology and Anthropology of Tourism and Travel, awarded by the University of Surrey (UK). Marcus gained his PhD in the field of social tourism in 1998 at Manchester Metropolitan University (UK). He has published extensively on tourism's relationship with race, ethnicity, religion, culture and citizenship. He is also the co-author of 'Tourism and Citizenship: Rights, Freedoms and Responsibilities in the Global Order', a Routledge publication. He has conducted tourism-based research in the Middle East, Caribbean, Tanzania and the UK, and carried out research consultancies for various tourism-related institutions at both regional and international level. He has acted as an external advisor and examiner for a number of universities offering degree programmes in tourism and hospitality management.
Tim Martyn, Policy Officer, United Nations Food and Agriculture Organisation Sub-	For the past 8 years, Dr. Tim Martyn has been active in providing technical support and policy advice to agribusinesses and government officials in the Pacific island Countries, first as an agribusiness advisor for the Secretariat of the Pacific Community and now as

<p>regional Office in the Pacific; Vili Caniogo Policy Adviser, Agriculture Pacific Community Land Resources Division, Suva, Fiji</p> <p><i>Agriculture and Tourism: Leveraging the synergies for growth in the Pacific Islands</i></p>	<p>the Policy Officer for the FAO Sub-Regional Officer for the Pacific, after first arriving in the region as an ODI economics fellow. This year he will be launching the 'Agriculture-Tourism Linkages' and 'Domestic Market Opportunities' policy toolkits for Pacific Island Countries, which include advice on innovative financing models in increase investment in agribusiness, pricing policy measures to improve dietary outcomes and improved public-private co-operation in identification and implementation of reform. He has a Masters' degree from the London School of Economics and a PhD from the University of Adelaide. Next month he will be returning to Fiji to be based at the Ministry of Agriculture, after spending the last three years in Samoa."</p>
<p>David Freedman, Country Economist for Timor-Leste, ADB</p> <p><i>Coffee Supply Chain Development and Tourism in Timor-Leste</i></p>	<p>David Freedman is the Timor-Leste Country Economist for the Asian Development Bank. He took up this position in March 2014 and is based full time in Dili, Timor-Leste. Prior to taking this position David worked for ADB's Pacific Private Sector Development Initiative in Papua New Guinea, was an ODI Fellow at the PNG Sustainable Development Program, and worked on community tourism development, and conservation in Ecuador. David has a B.Sc and M.Sc in Economics from the University of Nottingham, England and can speak Spanish, Mandarin Chinese, Tok Pisin, and Tetum.</p>
<p>Chetan Shah, Senior Lecturer, Fiji National University; Salesh Kumar, Fiji National University; Vinesh Kumar, Ministry of Agriculture</p> <p><i>Agritourism and Policy for Linking Tourism and Agricultural Development</i></p>	<p>Mr. Chetan Shah is actively involved in consultancy, planning, operations and training for various government and private agencies. With an overall experience of 10 years, Mr. Shah has been instrumental in developing unique natural resource based tourism projects in the state of Uttarakhand. He has also played a key role in the skill development initiative of Govt. of India, department of Tourism in Maharashtra and Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi in collaboration with ITES Singapore.</p>
<p>Parallel Session 1c: Disaster Response and Resilience</p>	
<p>Chair: Rebecca McNaught, Climate Change and Disaster Risk Management Consultant</p>	<p>Rebecca currently works as a long term climate change and disaster risk management consultant with UNDP's Pacific Risk Resilience Programme in Solomon Islands, Fiji, Vanuatu and Tonga. Prior to that she worked for 9 years on climate change and disaster risk reduction with the Red Cross Red Crescent Movement across Asia, Pacific and the Middle East with a particular focus on youth engagement, partnerships for climate services and developing training. She holds a Diploma of Natural Resource Management, a Bachelor of Environmental Science from Deakin University and a Master of Philosophy in Geography from Melbourne University.</p>
<p>Eci K. Nabalarua, Dean of College of Humanities and Education, and Ms. Akanisi Vakawaletabua, Lecturer in Law, FNU</p> <p><i>Enhancing Safety, Security, and Sustainability: The Role of Community Engagement in Building Resilient Communities Against Disasters</i></p>	<p>Dr. Eci (pronounced 'Ethee') Nabalarua is currently the Dean of the College of Humanities and Education at the Fiji National University, after serving as a Pro Vice Chancellor in Learning and Teaching at USP from 2006-2010 and before that as a Senior Lecturer and Director of Development Studies at the University of Waikato. She has a BA from USP with majors in Political Science and Administration, an MA in Rural and Social development from the University of Reading in the UK and a PhD from ANU. Eci has consulted, researched, published and presented in the area of women and development, community participation, social policy, sustainability, community policing and indigenous knowledge and research. She also has a strong training and advocacy agenda with women's groups, youth, NGOs and provincial groups.</p>
<p>Dan Orcherton, Director, Centre for Sustainable Technology & Development, FNU; David Mitchell, School of Science, RMIT University; and</p>	<p>Dan Orcherton is a highly successful natural leadership and development professional with extensive knowledge in International Research & Development, Traditional Knowledge, Community-based social and cultural research, and programme/project development. He has 25+ years of social and cultural academic research experience in Canada, USA, Latin America and the Caribbean (Peru, Bolivia, Brazil, Costa Rica, Jamaica and Cuba) as well as the Oceania (South Pacific) (PNG, Fiji, Vanuatu and Kiribati). He has</p>

<p>Darryn McEvoy, School of Engineering, RMIT University</p> <p><i>Climate Vulnerability, Tenure Security, and Resettlement Priorities in Lami Town, Fiji</i></p>	<p>taught undergraduate and graduate level courses in Climate Change, Integrated Resource Management, Advanced Qualitative Methods, EIA/SEA, DRR (Disaster Risk Management), Climate Change Impacts, Vulnerability and Adaptation in the Pacific. He also has 15+ years of extension, outreach and collation building with government, non-government, Indigenous groups and industry stakeholders using adaptive management and collaborative learning approaches to project/program management. This included facilitating field-training and extension services (eg: farmer-to-farmer programs) and implementing cost-effective dissemination strategies.</p>
<p>Tauisi Taupo, PhD Candidate, Victoria University of Wellington;</p> <p><i>How Resilient are Poor Households in the Low-lying Islands of Tuvalu to Disasters?</i></p>	<p>Tauisi Taupo is a PhD candidate at the Victoria University of Wellington. His current research focuses on the impact of climatic disasters on development, households and the people in Small Island Developing States (SIDS). He has working experience from the Tuvalu government and the International Monetary Fund (IMF) in Washington D.C. His pre-doctoral studies include a Master's Degree in Economics from University of Hawaii (USA).</p>
<p>Parallel Session 3a: Climate Change and Disaster Response Financing</p>	
<p>Chair: Dan Orcheron, Director, Centre for Sustainable Technology & Development, FNU;</p>	<p>Dan Orcheron is a highly successful natural leadership and development professional with extensive knowledge in International Research & Development, Traditional Knowledge, Community-based social and cultural research, and programme/project development. He has 25+ years of social and cultural academic research experience in Canada, USA, Latin America and the Caribbean (Peru, Bolivia, Brazil, Costa Rica, Jamaica and Cuba) as well as the Oceania (South Pacific) (PNG, Fiji, Vanuatu and Kiribati). He has taught undergraduate and graduate level courses in Climate Change, Integrated Resource Management, Advanced Qualitative Methods, EIA/SEA, DRR (Disaster Risk Management), Climate Change Impacts, Vulnerability and Adaptation in the Pacific. He also has 15+ years of extension, outreach and collation building with government, non-government, Indigenous groups and industry stakeholders using adaptive management and collaborative learning approaches to project/program management. This included facilitating field-training and extension services (eg: farmer-to-farmer programs) and implementing cost-effective dissemination strategies.</p>
<p>Johannes Wolff, Economist (Public Finance), ADB</p> <p><i>Regional Approaches to Disaster Risk Financing in the Pacific</i></p>	<p>Johannes Wolff is an Economist (Public Finance) with the Urban, Social Development, and Public Management Division of ADB's Pacific Department. He joined ADB in January 2014 and focusses on policy-based lending (budget support), technical assistance in economics and public financial management, and country economics work. Prior to joining ADB, he worked on public financial management and local governance with the United Nations and GIZ in Sub-Saharan Africa. He holds a master's degree in economics from the University of Augsburg, Germany and a postgraduate diploma in public financial management from the University of London, UK.</p>
<p>Carola Betzold, Postdoctoral Research Fellow, University of Antwerp</p> <p><i>Aid for Adaptation to Climate Change in Oceania</i></p>	<p>Carola Betzold is a postdoctoral research fellow at the University of Antwerp's Institute of Development Policy and Management (IOB) and currently a visiting fellow at the Australian National University's Development Policy Centre. Her research focuses on adaptation to climate change, aid and development, with a particular focus on small island developing states. Carola has a PhD from ETH Zurich.</p>
<p>Susana Taua'a, Head of Department of Social Sciences, National University of Samoa</p> <p><i>Practicality of a Payment for Ecosystem Services Program</i></p>	<p>Susana Tauaa, Senior Lecturer, National University of Samoa. Susana teaches full time and serves as Head of Department of Social Sciences. She is also studying full time as a PhD candidate at the National University of Samoa. Further, she is the only full time bread winner for her family!</p>

<i>to Protect and Manage Samoa's Watershed Areas</i>	
Stacy-ann Robinson, Ph.D. Scholar (Climate Change Adaptation), ANU; Matthew Dornan, Development Policy Centre, Crawford School of Public Policy, ANU <i>International Financing for Climate Change Adaptation in Small Island Developing States</i>	Stacy-ann Robinson is an Australia Awards PhD Scholar in the Fenner School of Environment and Society at The Australian National University. Her thesis focusses on climate change adaptation in small island developing states. She is currently a rostered adaptation and financing consultant for the Commonwealth Secretariat and the Caribbean Community Climate Change Centre.
Parallel Session 2b: Private Sector Development	
Chair: Chris Russell, Advisor, PSDI	Mr. Chris Russell's area of expertise is SOE and Corporate Governance reform. Before joining ADB Chris was Chief Executive of the Auckland Regional Services Trust (ARST) – a SOE holding company and CEO of the New Zealand Crown Company Monitoring and Advisory Unit (CCMAU) - CCMAU was responsible for monitoring New Zealand's SOEs. He was CEO of M-Co from 2001 to 2006, operating New Zealand's wholesale electricity market. Since 2007, Chris has been a consultant with the ADB's Private Sector Development Initiative advising Pacific governments on various aspects of SOE reform. Chris also recently provided advice to the Government of Vietnam on SOE reforms. Chris holds an LLB; a Diploma of Corporate Management; and an MBA.
Ellen Milne, President, Republic of the Marshall Islands (RMI) Chamber of Commerce <i>Through the Looking Glass on RMI's Private Sector Development</i>	Ellen Milne-Paul is the RMI Chamber of Commerce President (2015-2016) and is focused on strengthening public-private engagement in the Marshall Islands. She is currently working as a consultant with the Asian Development Bank, overseeing the Development Coordination Office in RMI. Her past work experiences include CFO for the Marshalls Energy Company and Accountant/Financial Analyst Manager for the New Mexico Workers Compensation Administration, Gap Corporate Shared Service Center, and Affiliated Computer Services Inc. She received a BBA degree in Accounting from the University of New Mexico and is currently pursuing an MBA from the University of the South Pacific.
Mr. Malcolm Bossley, Fiji Country Team Coordinator, Market Development Facility, Fiji <i>Innovation and the Private Sector in Fiji</i>	Malcolm Bossley is passionate about making a positive contribution towards economic growth and poverty reduction in Fiji and the Pacific. Currently working in a multi-country private sector development program called the Market Development Facility (MDF), with offices in Timor-Leste, Papua New Guinea, Pakistan, Sri Lanka and Fiji. Malcolm is part of the core leadership team that oversees the MDF multi-country facility and works directly with the Fiji Country Representative on the implementation of the Fiji country strategy, working through private and public sector partners. In Fiji, the focus is on stimulating growth for the tourism, horticulture and export processing sectors to create additional employment and income opportunities for men and women. Malcolm comes from an economics and public policy background having worked previously at the Australian Department of Foreign Affairs, Australian AID program and Fiji's Ministry of Industry and Trade. He holds Graduate Diplomas from the ITC-ILO University of Turin in Local Economic Development and Development of Market Oriented Small Business Development Service, and a Bachelor of Arts (Economics & Management) from the University of the South Pacific.
Anita Jowitt, Employer Representative, Vanuatu Tripartite Labor Advisory Council	Anita Jowitt is a lecturer in law at the University of the South Pacific and the Director of the Pacific Legal Information Institute (PaLI). She has been resident in Vanuatu since 1997. The Vanuatu Tripartite Labour Advisory Council has a number of labour policy related functions, including making minimum wage recommendations and providing recommendations to the government in respect of law reforms. In recent years Anita has provided policy advice and support to the Vanuatu Chamber of Commerce and Industry,

<p><i>Building Better Government-Private Sector Policy Dialogue in Vanuatu</i></p>	<p>particularly in respect of law reforms that have the potential to affect the growth of private sector employment. Recent activities have included developing the private sector's position on social protection laws, the Employment Relations Bill, and the Vanuatu National Sustainable Development Plan. In 2015 she assisted the government/private sector technical team on the review of the Industrial Development Act. She is also the co-author of the Vanuatu Chamber of Commerce and Industry's Employers Guidebook.</p>
<p>Emmanuel Joseph Iyabora, Lecturer, University of Fiji</p> <p><i>Managing 'Wantok System' Influence: Improving Solomon Islands' Business Climate</i></p>	<p>Emmanuel Joseph Iyabora is an Accounting Lecturer and PhD Researcher at the University of Fiji. He had previously held the following positions: Manager Accounts and Information Technology of the Central Bank of Solomon Islands, Manager Finance of the Solomon Airlines Ltd, and the Manager Finance of the Solomon Islands National Provident Fund. Emmanuel was also the former State-Owned Enterprises Accounts Adviser of RAMSI (Regional Assistance Mission to Solomon Islands) under the accounts strengthening program of the Solomon Islands State-Owned Enterprises.</p>
<p>Parallel Session 2c: Managing Resource Rich Economies</p>	
<p>Chair: Tubagus Feridhanusetyawan, Resident Representative for Pacific Islands, IMF</p>	<p>Tubagus Feridhanusetyawan has been the Resident Representative of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) for the Pacific Islands since September 2014, covering 12 countries in the Pacific. He joined the IMF in 2003, and has worked on more than ten countries in the Middle East, Central Asia, and the Asia Pacific regions including as a Mission Chief. Before joining the IMF, Tubagus was the Head of Economic Department and the Director of Corporate Relations of the Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS) Jakarta. Tubagus is Indonesian, and he received his Ph.D. in Economics from Iowa State University, USA, in 1994.</p>
<p>Filipe Nery Bernardo, Acting Coordinator, Petroleum Fund Administration Unit, Ministry of Finance, Timor-Leste</p> <p><i>Resource Management and Economic Diversification in Timor-Leste</i></p>	<p>Mr. Bernardo has been working with the Ministry of Finance in the Petroleum Fund Administration Unit (PFAU) since September 2009 and was assigned to lead the PFAU since 2010. His main responsibilities to coordinate the work related to development and implementation of the Fund's investment strategy, monitor the performance and operational management of the Petroleum Fund and to educate stakeholders about the Petroleum Fund. In addition to this, Mr. Bernardo is also responsible for calculating the Estimated Sustainable Income (ESI) and petroleum wealth. He also represented the Ministry of Finance in the TL-EITI Multi-Stakeholder Group, in the Secretariat of the Investment Advisory Board of the Petroleum Fund and as contact person for the TLPF at the International Forum for Sovereign Wealth Funds (IFSWF). Mr. Bernardo received an MBA from Monash University, Australia and a Bachelor in Accounting from Atma Jaya Yogyakarta University, Indonesia.</p>
<p>Win Nicholas and Nelson Atip, Lecturers, University of PNG</p> <p><i>Survey of Papua New Guinea's (PNG) Economy</i></p>	<p>Mr. Atip had served in the public sector machinery of Papua New Guinea for more than (7) seven years before pursuing studies to graduate level. After graduating with a bachelor of Economics degree in 2004, he started working as a Goods & Services Tax Advising officer and later as a Tax Policy Officer with the Internal Revenue Commission (IRC) of Papua New Guinea from 2005 to 2012. While working with the PNG IRC, Mr Atip had also received further training on developing policy documents on taxation by the Australian Taxation Office through its partnership programs conducted in PNG. Mr Atip undertook 2 years graduate studies program sponsored by the World Bank from 2013 to 2015. Upon completion of his studies in March 2015 with a masters of Economics degree from the University of Tsukuba in Japan, Mr Atip returned to the country and joined the UPNG economics teaching staff in March 2016. He is keen in learning economics and undertaking further research in the area of developmental economics.</p>
<p>Jonathan Pryke, Research Fellow, Lowy Institute</p>	<p>Jonathan Pryke is a Research Fellow in the Myer Foundation Melanesia Program at the Lowy Institute. Prior to joining the Lowy Institute Jonathan was a Research Officer at the Development Policy Centre at the Australian National University where, on top of his research obligations, he was editor of the Development Policy Blog and a co-convener of the Australasian Aid Conference. Jonathan is interested in economic development in the</p>

<i>Mitigating the Downside of PNG's Natural Resource Dependency</i>	Pacific Islands region, Australia's relationship with Melanesia, the role of aid and the private sector in Pacific development and Pacific labour mobility. Jonathan holds a Bachelor of Commerce from The University of Sydney, a Masters of Public Policy (Development Policy), Masters of Diplomacy and Graduate Diploma in International and Development Economics from ANU.
Paula Norris, International Development Consultant <i>Clusters as a Tool for Economic Growth? The PNG Cluster initiative</i>	Paula Norris is an independent consultant in international development, specializing in trade and private sector development. She has a BA (Hons) in Languages, Business and Information Technology and a Masters in International Development. Paula has delivered a multitude of donor funded projects around the world, and was the Team Leader from 2009 to 2011 of the EU-PNG Trade Related Assistance (TRA) Project in the Trade Division of the Government of PNG, managed the PNG Pilot of the EU BizClim Pacific Clusters initiative in 2014, and is currently the Team Leader of the EU-TRA Phase 2 in PNG.
Plenary Session 4: Launch of ANU-World Bank Pacific Labor Mobility Study	
Stephen Howes, Director of the Development Policy Centre (DPC), Australian National University (ANU) Richard Curtain, Fellow, DPC, ANU	Stephen Howes, Director, Development Policy Centre, ANU (from last year) Prior to joining the Crawford School in 2009, Stephen was Chief Economist at the Australian Agency for International Development. He worked from 1994 to 2005 at the World Bank, first in Washington and then in Delhi, where he was Lead Economist for India. In 2008, he worked on the Garnaut Review on Climate Change, where he managed the Review's international work stream. Stephen is a Professor of Economics at the Crawford School of Public Policy at the Australian National University. He is the Director of the Development Policy Centre, as well as the International and Development Economics teaching program at the Crawford School.
Richard Curtain, Fellow, DPC, ANU	Richard Curtain is an independent consultant with expertise in the areas of skill formation, program evaluation and analysis of youth labour markets. He works closely with Devpolicy on issues relating to Pacific labour mobility and is a regular Visiting Fellow.
Jesse Doyle, Labor Migration Specialist, World Bank	Jesse Doyle is a Labour Migration Specialist with the World Bank. His area of focus is temporary labour migration in the Pacific region. He has facilitated the Bank's analytical and advisory program in this area over the past years. This has included strengthening institutional capacity for managing labour migration, exploring new sectors and markets through the biennial PAILS Forum and managing a large-scale impact evaluation for the Seasonal Worker Programme. Prior to joining the World Bank, Jesse worked as a Research Officer with the Development Policy Centre.
Matthew Dornan, Deputy Director, DPC, ANU	Matthew is a Research Fellow and the Deputy Director of the Development Policy Centre, ANU. He heads the Development Policy Centre's program of research into Pacific development. His research focuses on aid flows, regional integration, energy, and broader infrastructure development and access in the Pacific islands region. Matthew has a PhD from ANU, and previously worked for the Australian aid program in the Pacific.
Plenary Session 5: Renewable Energy	
Chair: Peter Johnston, Director, Environmental & Energy Consultants, Ltd.	Peter is the Director of a small Fiji-based consultancy and have worked for 40+ years on a range of development planning issues, environmental management and sustainable energy throughout the Pacific Islands and SE Asia, working with nearly every PIC and pretty much all of the region's CROP agencies, ADB, WB, EU, GIZ, GGGI, the UN system, IUCN, MFAD, DFAD, etc. He has done work for the ADB on climate resiliency in the energy sector (SE Asia) & energy efficiency (Pacific), and recently (July 2016) completed a series of 6 reports on sustainable energy for Vanuatu's remote islands for GIZ.

<p>Bokhwan Yu, Deputy Dean, ADBI</p> <p><i>How to Build Institutional Capacity for Green Energy</i></p>	<p>Dr. Bokhwan Yu is the Deputy Dean (Capacity Building and Training, and Special Activities) at the Asian Development Bank Institute. A national of the Republic of Korea (ROK), Dr. Yu previously worked for the World Bank and the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD). Dr. Yu has extensive experience as a policy maker on both economic and environmental issues. He has served as Secretary General of the ROK's Presidential Committee on Green Growth. He also served as a Deputy Minister in ROK's Ministry of Finance, as well as holding several Director General-level positions in the ministry's Policy Coordination Bureau and International Economic Affairs Bureau. Dr. Yu holds an MA and a PhD in political economics from the University of Cambridge.</p>
<p>Dallas Young, Commercial Manager, Rarotonga Electricity Authority, Cook Islands</p> <p><i>Path to 100% Renewable Energy Coverage in Rarotonga. Cook Islands</i></p>	<p>Dallas Moana Young, FRSA</p> <p>Dallas is part of the management team within Te Aponga Uira, the State Owned Electrical Authority on Rarotonga (Cook Islands), seeking to achieve its national goal of 100% of its customer's electricity needs met by renewable sources by 2020. Being bought on board for her wealth of experience in development policy, strategic planning, partnerships and international relations, Dallas focuses daily on mobilising teams to be innovative as well as logical in approaches to realising the overarching national renewable ambition whilst keeping an eye on the commercial realities and opportunities to create value along this pathway. Dallas serves in leadership roles on a number of civil society organisation boards within the Cook Islands, is a fellow of the Royal Society for the Encouragement of Arts, Manufacturers and Commerce (RSA) and has been involved in a number of leadership programmes across the region. She has also pioneered a number of regional firsts in public financial management for the Government of the Cook Islands including instituting a medium term budgeting framework and public financial management roadmap in an effort to continuously improve the tools used by Government to manage its fiscal position.</p>
<p>Mafalu Lotolua, General Manager, Tuvalu Electricity Corporation</p> <p><i>Challenges with Moving to Higher Renewable Energy Penetration in Tuvalu</i></p>	<p>Mafalu has been with the Tuvalu Electricity Corporation for more than 30 years. Within these 30 years, he served for 14 years as the General Manager of the Corporation. He has been involved in major development project in the electricity sector including on recent energy development project on solar PV grid-connected and PV mini-grid.</p>
<p>Anthony Garae, Director of the Dept. of Energy, Ministry of Climate Change, Vanuatu</p> <p><i>Renewable Energy Update in Vanuatu</i></p>	<p>Antony Garae was born in Port Vila, Vanuatu, in 1985. He received the B.E degree in Electrical Engineering-Telecommunication, from the University of Technology, Lae, Papua New Guinea in 2009 and B.E Electrical Engineering-Power in 2010. In 2010, he began his working career with Telecom Vanuatu Ltd as a junior GSM/Mobile Technician. In 2012-2013 he then move on to join the other telecom competitor, Digicel Vanuatu as the Senior ICT Field Engineer. In October 2013 he then shift out of the private sector and joined the Vanuatu Department of Energy within the Ministry of Climate Change as the Power On-Grid Officer and in June 2016 he was then promoted to become the new Director of the Department of Energy.</p>
<p>Parallel Session 3a: Labor Mobility and Migration</p>	
<p>Chair: Sunil Kumar, Senior Lecturer, USP</p>	<p>Sunil is a Senior Lecturer at the School of Economics, USP where he teaches microeconomic theory and policy. He has lots of research experience and has published widely in difference areas of economics. He obtained his PhD in Economics from the University of Queensland in Australia. His key areas of study are poverty analysis and distribution, macroeconomics and international trade. He also has expertise in the field of national accounting and cost-benefit analysis.</p>
<p>Gerson Jackson, Former Ambassador to Fiji, Federated States of Micronesia (FSM)</p>	<p>Mr. Gerson A. Jackson ended his brief diplomatic career as Federated States of Micronesia (FSM) Ambassador to the Pacific Islands Forum Countries based in Fiji in August of 2015. He was posted to Fiji in November of 2011. Prior to the Fiji posting he</p>

<p><i>Sustainable Development Needed in the FSM to Prevent Migration</i></p>	<p>served for about four years as FSM Counsel General in the US Territory of Guam. He was appointed to the post in 2008. During his tenure as Ambassador to Fiji he was instrumental in the start-up of the new Pacific Islands Development Forum (PIDF), which focuses on sustainable development. He was also actively involved in a number of regional initiatives, including the following: New Framework for Pacific Regionalism (FPR), SAMOA Pathway, Lifou Declaration (Pacific Region's CC Conference, which preceded COP21) and Majuro Declaration (PIF CC Leaders Meetings). He was the first Chairman of the PIDF Senior Officials Committee, which oversaw the early operational phases of the new Forum. While in Guam he chaired the board of the Center for Micronesia Empowerment Organization (CME), which counsel, train and place new arriving FSM migrants into the Guam job market. The former Ambassador chaired the FSM Joint Committee that renegotiated the Compact of Free Association Treaty between the U.S. and the FSM. He served on a number of National and State boards and commissions and was a three-term Lt./Deputy Governor for the State of Kosrae in the FSM. He also served as director for three different departments and offices in the State of Kosrae for nearly 20 years. Mr. Jackson is retired from Public Service and is now heading up his new Consultancy firm in the State of Kosrae, Federated States of Micronesia.</p>
<p>Michael J. Levin, Independent Consultant; Hideichi Mori, University of Hawaii</p> <p><i>Developments in Migration and Remittance Flows Among FSM Migrants and their Socioeconomic Effects</i></p>	<p>Michael J. Levin is a demographer and statistician. He has worked at Harvard University's Center for Population and Development Studies from 2007- 2013 as a census trainer in primarily Africa and the Pacific Islands. In 1979-2007 he was a social science analyst, and then a statistician, at the U.S. Bureau of the Census, advising governments on census-taking and processing censuses in Pacific Islands and African countries, writing handbooks for the United Nations Statistical Division, and coordinating activities for the Insular Areas Statistical Enhancement Program run by the Department of the Interior. From 1974-1979 he worked at the East-West Center's Population Institute as a consultant to the 1974 Census of American Samoa and, later, developing methods of collecting census data for the analysis of fertility, infant mortality and nuptiality in Pacific Island countries. He is also a former Adjunct Senior Fellow at the Pacific Islands Development Program in the East-West Center.</p>
<p>Patricia J. Kailola, A/CEO, Pacific Dialogue Limited</p> <p><i>The Hidden Crime of Human Trafficking in the Pacific Islands Region</i></p>	<p>Dr Patricia Kailola wears two hats. Primarily she is a fisheries scientist and scientific editor and since 1969 she has worked in a dozen Asia-Pacific countries, but mainly in Papua New Guinea, Tonga, Fiji and Indonesia. Patricia came to Fiji in 2003 to lecture in the Marine Studies Program of the University of the South Pacific; she is now associated with the University's Institute of Applied Sciences. Patricia's other hat is that of A/Chief Executive Officer of the Fiji-based NGO Pacific Dialogue Limited which has among its objectives, the upholding of basic human rights. Under her leadership, Pacific Dialogue works with the Fiji Police Force to raise community awareness on trafficking and related crimes; Patricia is also a strong campaigner for the fair treatment and rights of crew in the Pacific's industrial tuna fishery.</p>
<p>Macnos Mutano, Junior Economic Affairs Officer, Office of the Chief Trade Adviser</p> <p><i>The Effectiveness of Australia and New Zealand's Seasonal Workers Schemes in Promoting Sustainable Economic Development in the Pacific</i></p>	<p>Mr Macnos Mutano joined the OCTA in 2014 in the role of Junior Economic Affairs Officer concentrating mainly on trade in services and labour mobility. He has a Master's degree in International Relations with an emphasis on International Trade from Arkansas State University. He has also previously worked with the United Nations Institute of Training and Research in Geneva, Switzerland as well as in New York where he specialised in International Institutions and Governance."</p>
<p>Parallel Session 3b: Roads and Transport Infrastructure</p>	

Chair: Tess Newton Cain, Principal, TNC Pacific Consulting	Tess Newton Cain, Principal, TNC Pacific Consulting Tess Newton Cain is a citizen of Vanuatu while TNC Pacific Consulting also based in Vanuatu. Tess has almost 20 years experience of living and working in the Pacific island region. She holds adjunct positions at the Australian National University (Development Policy Centre) and James Cook University (Cairns Institute). Tess specialises in issues of regional and sub-regional policy and wrote a chapter entitled 'The Renaissance of the Melanesian Spearhead Group' for 'The New Pacific Diplomacy' (Fry & Tarte, eds.) published in 2015.
Naoyuki Yoshino, Dean, Asian Development Bank Institute (ADB), (via videocon) <i>Economic Spillovers of Infrastructure Spending</i>	Naoyuki Yoshino is Dean of the Asian Development Bank Institute, Chief Advisor at the Japan Financial Services Agency's Financial Research Center, Chairperson of the Meeting of Japanese Government Bond Investors, and Professor Emeritus of Keio University, Japan. He obtained his PhD from Johns Hopkins University in 1979. Dr. Yoshino has served as Chair of the Financial Planning Standards Board. He has also been Chair of the Japanese Ministry of Finance's Council on Foreign Exchange as well as Fiscal System Council. He has been a Board Member of the Deposit Insurance Corporation of Japan, and President of Japan's Financial System Council. He has received honorary doctorates from the University of Gothenburg (Sweden) and Martin Luther University of Halle-Wittenberg (Germany).
Setareki Macanawai, CEO, Pacific Disability Forum <i>Improving PWD Accessibility in Transport Infrastructure in the Pacific Islands</i>	Setareki Macanawai is one of the pioneers of the disability movement in the Pacific and one of the DPO leaders who established the Pacific Disability Forum in 2002. He taught at the Fiji School for the Blind and served as Executive Director for the Fiji National Council for Disabled Persons before setting up the Pacific Disability Forum Secretariat in Suva, Fiji in January 2007 as CEO. He also served in numerous regional and international disability organizations and presented papers at regional and international meetings, conferences and seminars on disability. Setareki was recognised for his contributions by the UN in 2012 with an Asia-Pacific Disability Rights Champions Award.
Christopher Edmonds, Senior Economist, ADB <i>Evaluating the Impact of Road Upgrading and Maintenance: A PNG Highlands Study</i>	Christopher Edmonds is the Senior Economist in the Pacific Department at ADB, where he manages much of the Department's economics research, including the Pacific Economic Monitor. He also manages a number of technical assistance projects, assists project teams preparing ADB loan and grant projects, and serves as Chair of ADB's Interdepartmental Impact Evaluation Committee. Before joining the Pacific Department, Christopher worked in ADB's East Asia Region (2006-08), the Strategy and Policy Dept. (2008-09), and the Economics Department (2000-03). His work outside the ADB includes teaching and research assignments with the University of Hawai'i-Mānoa, the East-West Center (EWC), and the International Rice Research Institute (IRRI). Christopher's publications including papers in the Asian Development Review, Agricultural Economics, Journal of Asian Economics, Journal of Sustainable Development, and Journal of Travel Research. He has degrees in Agriculture and Resource Economics from the University of California - Berkeley (PhD and Masters), Public Policy Studies from the University of Chicago (Masters), and Cornell University (Bachelor of Science). He benefitted from a few fellowships during his studies (e.g., Fulbright and Rockefeller Foundation fellowships).
Matthew Dornan, Deputy-Director, DPC, ANU <i>Road Maintenance and Decentralization: The Case of PNG</i>	Matthew Dornan is Deputy Director of the Development Policy Centre at the Australian National University. His research focuses on economic development in Papua New Guinea and the Pacific islands, and includes work on infrastructure access, development and regulation; aid from 'traditional' and 'emerging' donors; renewable energy; regional integration; climate change adaptation financing; and labour mobility. Matthew received his PhD from the Crawford School and has a background in public policy and economics. He previously worked across the Pacific islands as part of the Australian aid program, and has consulted for various development partners in the region.
Parallel Session 3c: Training the Next Generation of Leaders	
Chair: Josh Utoikamanu, Consultant and Former	Siosuia (Josh) Utoikamanu, Consultant & Former Governor, National Reserve Bank of Tonga and Minister of Finance, Tonga.

<p>Director, Pacific Islands Centre for Public Administration (PICPA), USP</p>	<p>Josh is a consultant who specializes in public sector finance and economics. He is a former Director of the Pacific Islands Centre for Public Administration at the University of the South Pacific in Suva, Fiji. Prior to this he was a consultant for the Asian Development Bank and other regional organisations in the Pacific. From 2001 to 2008 he was the Minister for Finance of Tonga and from 1991 to 2001 he was the Governor of the National Reserve Bank of Tonga. He has postgraduate degrees in economics and finance from the University of Birmingham in the United Kingdom and Victoria University of Wellington in New Zealand.</p>
<p>Lekshmi N. Pillai, Executive Dean, School of Business & Public Policy, University of PNG</p> <p><i>Sustainable Value Creation though Networking</i></p>	<p>Professor Lekshmi N. Pillai is currently Executive Dean of the School of Business and Public Policy. He is a visiting faculty of Development Policy Centre of Crawford School of Public Policy of Australian National University. Prof Pillai was awarded Ph.D by Madurai Kamaraj University, India for the work done on “Performance Evaluation of Leasing Industry in India”. He also holds MBA (Finance), M.Com (Accounting) and financial member of CPAPNG. He has over 29 years of lecturing Masters Programme in Management in India and Papua New Guinea. He won “Best Research Paper” award from Association of Indian Management Schools (AIMS) in 1996 for his Research paper titled, “A Discriminant Model to classify the Indian Leasing Hire Purchase Companies Based on Financial Performance”. He has published several articles on leading journals, attended several workshops and conferences. His current interest is on Financial Accounting, Environmental Accounting, Leadership, Strategic Management, Corporate Governance and Corporate Turnaround Strategy.</p>
<p>Fernando Baptista Anuno, Dean of Faculty of Economics and Management, Timor-Leste National University</p> <p><i>Challenges Faced by Future Entrepreneurs in Timor-Leste</i></p>	<p>Fernando Baptista Anuno, was born in Oe-cusse in 1974. He completed Bachelor in Management Real Estate from the Faculty of Economy, Universitas Kristen Petra, Surabaya-Indonesia (1994-1999) and Master in Management in Universidade do Minho, Braga-Portugal (2007-2009). He is currently the Dean for Faculty of Economic and Management-UNTL (2014-2018), and authored the book “The progress of National Economic Development of Timor-Leste”. His research interest is Entrepreneurship, Marketing, Economy and Service Quality (SERVQUAL) and works with the software SPSS for quantitative data and Nvivo for qualitative data.</p>
<p>Peni Tawake, Program Officer, Pacific Leadership Program and Tarusila Bradburgh, Secretariat Coordinator, Pacific Youth Council</p> <p><i>Supporting Developmental Leadership Among Youth in the Pacific</i></p>	<p>Tarusila Bradburgh is Coordinator of the Pacific Youth Council (PYC) Secretariat. Tarusila works with development partners including PYC's host organisation, Pacific Community to advocate for key issues for young people. She joined PYC in 2009 from Fiji's Ministry of Youth and Sports' Research, Training and Development Unit. She is a member of Fiji's Young Women's Christian Association (YWCA), and a former executive member of YWCA International. She holds a Commonwealth Youth Programme Diploma in Youth in Development Work from the University of the South Pacific, and is a graduate of the Development Alternatives with Women for a New Era (DAWN) Training Institute held in Cambodia in 2011.</p> <p>Peni Tawake works with the Solomon Islands Country Representative to manage relationships with national partners and stakeholders in Solomon Islands; previously, Peni worked on the Vanuatu, as well as Samoa country program. He also manages PLP's relationship with the Pacific Youth Council, as well as development partners with programs for young people. Peni joined PLP in 2012, and has broad development experience undertaking communications and program work with the International Committee of the Red Cross, and more recently with the Culture Section of Pacific Community's Human Development Program. Peni has also worked in mainstream media, producing and presenting for television.</p>
<p>Judy Burnside-Lawry, Senior Lecturer, RMIT University; Elisabeth Holland, Director PACE-SD, USP; Morgan</p>	<p>Dr. Morgan Wairiu is currently the Deputy Director of the Pacific Centre for Environment and Sustainable Development (PACE-SD) at the University of the South Pacific. He obtained his PhD in Environmental Soil Science from Ohio State University in USA and Master of Science from Aberdeen University in Scotland, UK. Dr Wairiu has broad</p>

<p>Wairiu, Deputy Director PACE-SD, USP; Sarika Chand, Communication Manager, PACE-SD, USP; Rosa Franquet University Autonoma Barcelona, UAB</p> <p><i>Building Future Climate Leaders: Leadership & Communication Training for COP21</i></p>	<p>knowledge on Pacific regions environment and development issues including government structures and systems both at national and community levels. He has over 25 years work experience in the environment field including climate change and risk resilience development in the Pacific region. He also has wide experience Capacity and Human Resources Development including training needs assessment and workshop planning and organization.</p>
<p>Parallel Session 4a: Governance</p>	
<p>Chair: Matthew Dornan, Deputy Director, DPC, ANU</p>	<p>Matthew Dornan is Deputy Director of the Development Policy Centre at the Australian National University. His research focuses on economic development in Papua New Guinea and the Pacific islands, and includes work on infrastructure access, development and regulation; aid from 'traditional' and 'emerging' donors; renewable energy; regional integration; climate change adaptation financing; and labour mobility. Matthew received his PhD from the Crawford School and has a background in public policy and economics. He previously worked across the Pacific islands as part of the Australian aid program, and has consulted for various development partners in the region.</p>
<p>Wawan Juswanto, Senior Economist, ADBI</p> <p><i>Efficiency and Fairness in Government Expenditure</i></p>	<p>Wawan Juswanto is a Senior Economist and Special Advisor to the Dean, Asian Development Bank Institute (ADB I). He joined ADBI in January 2016. Prior to that he acquired extensive experience in economic and development policy decision making at the Ministry of Finance, Indonesia, where he was assigned to various senior positions, mostly in the Fiscal Policy Agency, concerning macroeconomic policy, taxation, and international cooperation. Mr. Juswanto has extensive collaborative experience with major international financial institutions, including the Asian Development Bank, the Islamic Development Bank, the International Monetary Fund, and the World Bank, and has organized workshops, seminars, and training events at the national and international levels. In addition, he has been engaged in global development agenda discussions through United Nations joint programs with Indonesia's Ministry of Finance. He earned his MA and PhD in International Development from Nagoya University in Japan.</p>
<p>Josh Utoikamanu, Consultant and Former Director, PICPA</p> <p><i>Public Sector Asset Management in the Pacific Islands</i></p>	<p>Siosua (Josh) Utoikamanu is a consultant who specializes in public sector finance and economics. He is a former Director of the Pacific Islands Centre for Public Administration at the University of the South Pacific in Suva, Fiji. Prior to this he was a consultant for the Asian Development Bank and other regional organisations in the Pacific. From 2001 to 2008 he was the Minister for Finance of Tonga and from 1991 to 2001 he was the Governor of the National Reserve Bank of Tonga. He has postgraduate degrees in economics and finance from the University of Birmingham in the United Kingdom and Victoria University of Wellington in New Zealand.</p>
<p>Tess Newton Cain, Principal, TNC Pacific Consulting</p> <p><i>Where did our Renaissance Go? Challenges Facing the Melanesian Spearhead Group</i></p>	<p>Tess Newton Cain is a citizen of Vanuatu while TNC Pacific Consulting also based in Vanuatu. Tess has almost 20 years experience of living and working in the Pacific island region. She holds adjunct positions at the Australian National University (Development Policy Centre) and James Cook University (Cairns Institute). Tess specialises in issues of regional and sub-regional policy and wrote a chapter entitled 'The Renaissance of the Melanesian Spearhead Group' for 'The New Pacific Diplomacy' (Fry & Tarte, eds.) published in 2015.</p>
<p>Parallel Session 4b: Climate Change Adaptation and Education</p>	
<p>Chair: Taniela Faletau, Safeguards Officer, Pacific Subregional Office, ADB</p>	<p>Taniela is the Safeguards Officer of the ADB Pacific Subregional Office (SPSO) acting as focal point for both Environment and Social Safeguards for the Pacific Department in Suva, Fiji. In this capacity he is responsible for achieving safeguard compliance for all ADB projects administered out of SPSO covering the countries of Cook Islands, Fiji, Kiribati,</p>

	<p>Samoa, Tonga and Tuvalu. In addition to this core role he is also lead for ADB SPSO in environment, climate change and disaster risk management with regards to policy, programming, project administration and knowledge management. Taniela, a Tongan national, holds a PhD from the University of New South Wales, Australia in Environmental Management and Climate Change Policy. The objective of research was to understand how natural resource management through effective planning and policy facilitates the sustainable provision of resources in small island developing states in the face of climatic change. Prior to joining ADB SPSO he was employed by the Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Program.</p>
<p>Hirdesh K. Sachan, Head of Department of Crop Production, FNU; Sevina, FNU; Deeksha Krishna, FNU</p> <p><i>Information Needs for Climate Change Adaptation among Farmers in Fiji</i></p>	<p>Dr. Hirdesh Kumar Sachan, is presently working as Assistant Professor & Head Department of Crop Production, College of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry, Koronivia Campus, Fiji National University. He has more than 7 years of relevant research and teaching experience while working on different aspects of integrated farming systems, agricultural production, organic farming, crop sustainability and weed management. He has authored more than thirty publications. He served as Assistant Professor Agronomy (Crop Science) from March 03, 2009 to September 24, 2012 in India. As a Post-Doctoral Fellow he worked in research projects which focused on agricultural production, organic farming and weed management in Department of Agronomy, College of Agriculture G.B.P.U.A&T, Pantnagar, India. He has also guided more than sixty B.Sc. Agriculture students in their field dissertation and 3 M.Sc. Agriculture (Agronomy) students in the Master's dissertation work.</p>
<p>Sarah Hemstock, The Pacific Community; Helene Jacot Des Combes, USP; Tess Martin, Senior Lecturer, USP; Linda Vaike, USP; Kevin Maitava, USP; Leigh-Anne Buliruarua, USP; Viliame Satiki, FNU; Nixon Kua, The Pacific Community; Titiana Marawa, Secretariat of the South Pacific</p> <p><i>Quality Assured TVET Qualifications in Resilience for the Pacific Islands Region</i></p>	<p>Dr. Tess Martin has worked in the TVET field for more than 25 years. Her work includes Academic Director at TAFE colleges in Australia, Principal of the Kiribati Institute of Technology and as an academic in the School of Education at both FNU and USP. She is currently working at USP as part of the EU-PacTVET team developing regional qualifications in Climate Change Adaptation and Sustainable Energy for the Pacific region. Her research interests include policy and practice in TVET and quality assured training practices.</p>
<p>Shipra Shah, Lecturer, FNU; Elik Senivasa, Ministry of Fisheries and Forests, Fiji; Vinesh Prasad, SPC - Pacific Community</p> <p><i>Policy Initiatives to Promote Climate Smart Production Systems</i></p>	<p>Dr. Shipra Shah is a forester with a background spanning silviculture, ecology and climate change. She has worked on carbon stock, land use change, community structure and medicinal plants in the Western Himalayas. Currently she is involved in research projects on nutrient dynamics in tropical forests, carbon sequestration in pine plantations and anthropogenic disturbance on mangrove ecosystems. She was also a member of the PIDF (Pacific Island Development Forum) committee on "Agriculture and Forestry" in preparing a roadmap for the 2015 Climate Conference (COP21) in Paris.</p>
<p>Parallel Session 4c: Regional Trade and Export Competitiveness</p>	
<p>Chair: Manoj K. Pandey, Lecturer, DPC, ANU</p>	<p>Dr. Manoj K. Pandey is a Lecturer in Economics at the Development Policy Centre, Crawford School of Economics, Australian National University (ANU), working in Port Moresby as part of ANU-UPNG partnership program. Prior to join 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 (USP). Dr. Pandey has a strong background in statistics, applied econometrics and economics. Apart</p>

	from his recent interests in Pacific economy, his research work includes issues in the development economics.
Veniana Qalo, Trade Policy Adviser, Pacific Island Forum Secretariat (PIFS) <i>Update on Bilateralism and Development: Emerging Trade Patterns in the Pacific</i>	Veniana Qalo was recently appointed Trade Policy Advisor at the Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat (PIFs) where since January 2014, she has been responsible for the provision of technical advice and assistance to Member Countries on trade policy issues. Prior to 2004, Ms Qalo worked for almost six years in the PIFs as a Research Assistant and Trade Policy Officer before joining the Commonwealth Secretariat in London, where she held the position of Economic Advisor for more than nine years - until 2013. She was concurrently the Acting Head of Section and Economic Advisor, International Trade and Regional Cooperation (ITRC) Section, Economic Affairs Division (EAD) from 2012 to 2013. A registered Barrister and Solicitor in Fiji, she holds a Bachelor of Law Degree and a Professional Diploma in Legal Practice from the University of the South Pacific; a Masters in Business Administration (Certificate) from Birkbeck University in London and a Masters in International Law and Economics (Magna Cum Laude) from the World Trade Institute joint Universities of Neuchatel, Fribourg and Berne in Switzerland. Ms Qalo has written and published pieces on a range of trade and international law issues.
Wesley Morgan, Lecturer, USP <i>Marginalization Postponed? Trade Negotiations in the Pacific Islands</i>	Wes Morgan is a Lecturer in Politics and International Affairs at the School of Government, Development and International Affairs at the University of the South Pacific. Prior to joining USP, he was Pacific Policy Advisor with Oxfam. He has written widely on contemporary issues in the Pacific, including: the politics of regional cooperation, Pacific engagement in regional and global trade negotiations, Pacific island diplomacy, climate change, human rights, the future of agriculture in the Pacific, and leadership and governance in Vanuatu.
Benjamin Radoc, Advisor, ADB <i>Evolving Trade and Economic Linkages between the Pacific and Asia</i>	Benjamin is a member of the economics team in ADB Headquarters that assists in the economic and fiscal monitoring of Pacific developing member countries. He has several years of experience as economist (asset management, national planning, and poverty analysis) and project manager (six sigma and technical assistance). He completed graduate programs in economics at the University of the Philippines (MA), Kiel Institute for the World Economy in Germany (advanced studies), and the University of East Anglia in the UK (PhD).
Parallel Session 5a: Fisheries	
Chair: Benjamin Graham, Senior Evaluation Specialist, ADB	Mr. Ben Graham is a Senior Evaluation Specialist in the Independent Evaluation Department of ADB, which reports directly to the Board of Directors. He has led major strategic, corporate, country, sector, and project evaluations since 2012. Prior to joining ADB, he was a consultant and advisor based in the Marshall Islands and Washington, DC. In the Marshall Islands, his home country, he served in a range of positions and capacities, including in the Ministry of Resources and Development and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. He holds degrees in economics (BA), business (MBA), and development policy (MPP) from the University of Hawaii, Georgetown University, and the Australian National University.
Moses Amos, Director of the Division of Fisheries, Aquaculture and Marine Ecosystems, The Pacific Community (SPC) <i>Community-based Approaches to Fisheries Management in Kiribati</i>	Moses Amos joined SPC as Director of the Division of Fisheries, Aquaculture and Marine Ecosystems in March 2014. Moses is from Vanuatu and speaks fluent English, Bislama and Melanesian Pidgin, and is conversant in French. He has a Master of Science degree in Biological Science from the University of Auckland and a Bachelor's Degree in Zoology from Otago University, both in New Zealand. Before joining SPC, Moses was the Director of Vanuatu's Department of Fisheries for 12 years from September 1997 to December 2006 and from September 2010 until February 2014. From January 2007 to March 2010 he was Director of Fisheries Management at the Pacific Islands Forum Fisheries Agency (FFA) in the Solomon Islands. Moses has worked both regionally and nationally, and is quite familiar with the economic, political and cultural dynamics of the region, as well as regional and country-specific policies, infrastructure and programmes relating to fisheries. He has a strong background in the

	development and management of fisheries policies and their implementation at both the national and regional level.
<p>Quentin Hanich, Fisheries Governance Program Leader, Australian National Centre for Ocean Resources and Security</p> <p><i>Netting Billions: A Global Valuation of Tuna</i></p>	<p>Dr Quentin Hanich leads the Fisheries Governance Research Program. He has worked widely throughout the Asia Pacific region on numerous research, advisory and consulting projects, and is recognized as a regional expert on international fisheries governance and development, and more broadly on various aspects of oceans governance and marine conservation. In addition to his research and project activities, he has chaired working groups at international treaty meetings, facilitated inter-governmental workshops, and advised Ministerial meetings and national delegations.</p>
<p>Maria Carina Tinio, Associate Economics and Statistics Analyst, ADB</p> <p><i>Rising Fisheries License Revenues in the Pacific</i></p>	<p>Cara joined ADB in April 2011. She is involved in producing the Pacific Economic Monitor, a bi-annual publication on regional developments and policy issues; and supports project economic and financial analyses, and project administration. Prior to joining ADB, she worked in trade policy at the Philippines' National Economic and Development Authority from 2001–2008. She holds an undergraduate degree in economics from the Ateneo de Manila University, Quezon City, Philippines; and a master's degree in international economics and finance from Brandeis University, Massachusetts, USA.</p>
Parallel Session 5b: Labor Market Development and Remittances	
<p>Chair: Stephen Howes, Director, DPC, ANU</p>	<p>Stephen Howes, Director, Development Policy Centre, ANU (from last year)</p> <p>Prior to joining the Crawford School in 2009, Stephen was Chief Economist at the Australian Agency for International Development. He worked from 1994 to 2005 at the World Bank, first in Washington and then in Delhi, where he was Lead Economist for India. In 2008, he worked on the Garnaut Review on Climate Change, where he managed the Review's international work stream. Stephen is a Professor of Economics at the Crawford School of Public Policy at the Australian National University. He is the Director of the Development Policy Centre, as well as the International and Development Economics teaching program at the Crawford School.</p>
<p>Andrew Parker, Principal Social Sector Economist, ADB</p> <p><i>Alternative Perspectives on Labor Market Development in the Pacific</i></p>	<p>Andrew Parker has 30 years of combined professional experience in social development, economic research and planning, project management, and capacity development with ADB, the World Bank, the Australian government, and academe. He is currently principal social sector economist in the Pacific Department at ADB, with responsibility for labor market and employment issues across the Pacific. Prior to joining ADB, he worked at the World Bank from 1998, with 10 years' experience in the Philippines serving as the Bank's program coordinator for social development, and social development adviser to the Australian aid program. He has also held positions in Washington as senior economist, vice presidential special assistant, and senior learning specialist. From 1996–1998, he was a lecturer in agricultural economics at the University of Pretoria, South Africa. He holds degrees in agricultural economics from the University of Pretoria (PhD.), and the University of East Anglia (MSc.), and in economics from University of College London (BSc.).</p>
<p>Raymond Prasad, Economic Adviser, PIFS</p> <p><i>Remittances: De-risking and Its Impact on Pacific Island Forum Countries</i></p>	<p>Mr. Raymond Prasad is currently Economic Advisor and Team Leader for Development Finance and Economic Policy at the Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat. Since joining PIFS, he has worked on economic policy issues covering innovative financing, macroeconomic issues and engagement with regional and external stakeholders. Before joining PIFS, he held Manager - Financial Systems Development and Senior Economist positions at the Reserve Bank of Fiji. Mr. Prasad holds a PhD in Economics (with Chris Higgins Award for Applied Econometrics) from the Australian National University and a Master of Commerce (Economics) Hons. from the University of Auckland.</p>
<p>T.K. Jayaraman, Professor of Economics, FNU; and Evan Lau, Associate Professor, Faculty of Economics and</p>	<p>T.K. Jayaraman is Professor of Economics, Fiji National University, Fiji Islands since 2012. Earlier, he was with the University of the South Pacific (USP) for 14 years from 1998-2012. Before joining USP, he was a post-doctoral research scholar at the Macmillan Brown Center for Pacific Studies, University of Canterbury, New Zealand. Prior to his academic career, he was on the staff of Asian Development Bank for 15 years (1982-1997). He has</p>

<p>Business, University of Malaysia Sarawak</p> <p><i>The Impact of Aid and Remittances: Testing the Dutch Disease Hypothesis on Fiji, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga and Vanuatu</i></p>	<p>a Bachelor’s degree from the University of Madras, India; Master’s and Doctoral degrees in Economics from the University of Hawaii (Manoa), Honolulu, Hawaii, where he was a recipient of an East West Centre Grant and a Fulbright Grant for his graduate studies.</p>
<p>Sunil Kumar, Senior Lecturer, USP</p> <p><i>Labor Market Constraints and Challenges in Fiji</i></p>	<p>Sunil Kumar, Senior Lecturer, Faculty of Business and Economics, USP</p> <p>Sunil is a Senior Lecturer at the School of Economics, USP where he teaches microeconomic theory and policy. He has lots of research experience and has published widely in difference areas of economics. He obtained his PhD in Economics from the University of Queensland in Australia. His key areas of study are poverty analysis and distribution, macroeconomics and international trade. He also has expertise in the field of national accounting and cost-benefit analysis.</p>
<p>Parallel Session 5c: Sovereign Wealth and Public Trust Funds</p>	
<p>Chair: Ellen Milne, President, Republic of the Marshall Islands (RMI) Chamber of Commerce</p>	<p>Ellen Milne-Paul is the RMI Chamber of Commerce President (2015-2016) and is focused on strengthening public-private engagement in the Marshall Islands. She is currently working as a consultant with the Asian Development Bank, overseeing the Development Coordination Office in RMI. Her past work experiences include CFO for the Marshalls Energy Company and Accountant/Financial Analyst Manager for the New Mexico Workers Compensation Administration, Gap Corporate Shared Service Center, and Affiliated Computer Services Inc. She received a BBA degree in Accounting from the University of New Mexico and is currently pursuing an MBA from the University of the South Pacific.</p>
<p>Christopher Edmonds, Senior Economist, ADB</p> <p><i>Trust Funds in the Pacific: Update on Operations and Performance</i></p>	<p>Christopher Edmonds is the Senior Economist in the Pacific Department at ADB, where he manages much of the Department’s economics research, including the Pacific Economic Monitor. He also manages a number of technical assistance projects, assists project teams preparing ADB loan and grant projects, and serves as Chair of ADB’s Interdepartmental Impact Evaluation Committee. Before joining the Pacific Department, Christopher worked in ADB’s East Asia Region (2006-08), the Strategy and Policy Dept. (2008-09), and the Economics Department (2000-03). His work outside the ADB includes teaching and research assignments with the University of Hawai’i–Mānoa, the East–West Center (EWC), and the International Rice Research Institute (IRRI). Christopher’s publications including papers in the Asian Development Review, Agricultural Economics, Journal of Asian Economics, Journal of Sustainable Development, and Journal of Travel Research. He has degrees in Agriculture and Resource Economics from the University of California - Berkeley (PhD and Masters), Public Policy Studies from the University of Chicago (Masters), and Cornell University (Bachelor of Science). He benefitted from a few fellowships during his studies (e.g., Fulbright and Rockefeller Foundation fellowships).</p>
<p>Gerard Cruz, Chairman of the Board of Directors, Asia Pacific Association for Fiduciary Studies</p> <p><i>The Status and Challenges of Trust Fund Management Facing the North Pacific</i></p>	<p>Gerry serves as Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Asia Pacific Association of Fiduciary Studies (APAFS™). APAFS™ was founded in 2000, and is a chartered member of Global Investment Performance Standards (GIPS). APAFS™ is led by trustees and other fiduciaries responsible for the oversight of sovereign wealth funds, public and private pension funds, endowments and foundations and other institutional investors from throughout the Asia Pacific region, which constitute its institutional membership (www.apafs.org). Gerry is President and CEO of Community First Guam FCU, a full service financial institution. He has more than 25 years of experience in the industry, starting his career as a credit analyst in commercial lending before moving into mortgage lending then through several executive positions including Vice President/CFO, and Executive Vice President, prior to his current appointment. Gerry received a BA in Economics and an MBA in Finance and Banking from the University of San Francisco. He has been</p>

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Ross Fowler, Chief Executive Officer, fi360 Pacific <i>Raising Investment Governance in the Pacific to Global Standards</i>	Ross is CEO of fi360 Pacific based in New Zealand. fi360 Pacific (www.fi360.co.nz) was established in order to bring U.S.-based fi360 Inc. fiduciary education programs to the Asia Pacific more effectively, and to adapt such trainings to local legal frameworks and practical application when required. fi360 (www.fi360.com) is the globally recognized leader in fiduciary education. Ross has been awarded the Accredited Investment Fiduciary Analyst® (AIFA®) designation from the Center for Fiduciary Studies™, the standards-setting body for fi360. Ross graduated from Auckland University in Property Valuation (appraisal) and completed Rural Valuation and Farm Management post graduate studies at Lincoln College. He then completed Business Studies (Financial Planning) through Massey University. He holds the AIF® and AIFA® designations. He is a registered analyst with CEFEX, a global, certification organization providing independent recognition of an entities conformity to a defined fiduciary standard.
Roland Rajah, Nauru Country Economist and Team Leader, ADB <i>The New Nauru Trust Fund</i>	Roland Rajah is the ADB country economist for Solomon Islands, Vanuatu, and Nauru and is country team leader for the latter. Roland is also team leader for the Pacific Region Infrastructure Facility Coordination Office. He has been in the position since August 2015 and is based in Sydney, Australia. Roland's areas of focus include macroeconomics, public finance, public sector reform, and economic development. Prior to joining ADB, Roland was an economist based in Jakarta, Indonesia, with the Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade. Before this, he covered emerging markets at the Reserve Bank of Australia.
Parallel Session 6a: Information and Communications Technology (ICT)	
Rajesh Chandra, Vice Chancellor and President, USP <i>Role of ICT in development (tentative)</i>	Rajesh has been Vice Chancellor of The University of the South Pacific since August 2008. He served as Foundation Vice-Chancellor of the University of Fiji. Prior to University of Fiji, he served USP for close to 30 years, where he held a number senior positions including Acting Vice-Chancellor, Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Pro Vice-Chancellor (Academic) and Director of Planning and Development. Over those years, he also made significant contributions to the international academic community. He was Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Commonwealth Universities Study Abroad Consortium from 1999 to 2003 and he was also a member of the Technical Advisory Committee exploring the feasibility of a Virtual University for Commonwealth Small States. Within the Pacific region, Rajesh was part of the Pacific delegation to the World Summit on Sustainable Development and he has attended the Pacific Island Leaders Meeting, the Commonwealth Education Ministers Meeting, the Forum Economic Ministers meeting, the Pacific Islands Forum and the General Meeting of the Association of Commonwealth Universities.
Emma Veve, Director, ADB <i>Promoting greater internet connectivity in the Pacific</i>	Emma is Director of Urban, Social Development and Public Management Division in the Pacific Department of the Asian Development Bank. Previously, she was Principal Economist in the Pacific Department responsible for macroeconomic monitoring, research and regional programming for the Pacific. She also worked with ADB's Pacific Subregional Office in Suva, Fiji. There her work involved economic analysis, country programming, and project administration. She joined ADB in 2005 following a period as Economic Adviser with the Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat in Suva, Fiji. Prior to this she held various positions in the Australian commonwealth public service, predominantly in economic research. She completed a double degree in agricultural science and economics from the University of Queensland, Brisbane, Australia and holds a master's degree in economics from the University of New England, Armidale, Australia.
Rhinehart Silas, Chairman, Palau National	Rhinehart Silas currently serves as the Director of the Bureau of Revenue and Taxation in the Republic of Palau's Ministry of Finance. He has been in that position since November 2013, and prior to that he served for a year as the Deputy Chief of Staff to the current

<p>Telecommunications Commission</p> <p><i>Palau Telecomm Landscape and the Current Fiber Optic Project</i></p>	<p>President of Palau. In that official role, he got appointed to serve as both Co-Chairman of the Micronesia-Palau (Micro-Pal) Fiber Optic Committee and Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Palau National Communications Corporation (PNCC). Since the recent conclusion of the Micro-Pal Committee, the Republic of Palau had finally signed on to an international cable deal that is expected to provide international fiber connectivity to Palau, as well as Yap, Federated States of Micronesia, toward the end of 2017. While the Committee had transitioned its work to the newly established Belau Submarine Cable Corporation, Rhinehart continues to provide support to the new Corporation's Board as it oversees the implementation of the North Pacific International Connectivity Project, funded by the Asian Development Bank. Within that same Committee role, he worked with other stakeholders in Palau through a World Bank-supported project to develop Palau's Telecommunications Legal and Regulatory Framework, which is now waiting to be reviewed by the President and transmitted to the Congress for deliberation. Mr. Silas has served on the Board of PNCC for a little over three years and has been actively involved in the current reform project to improve Palau's telecomm services.</p>
<p>Inacio Moreira, Vice Minister, Ministry of Public Works, Transport, and Communication, Timor-Leste; Abel Pires da Silva, Ministry of Public works, Transport and Communication</p> <p>Beyond ICT for Development: Timor-Leste's Unique Experience in Reforming the Telecommunication Sector</p>	<p>His Excellency (HE) Inacio Moreira is currently serving as the Vice Minister for Public Works, Transport and Communications responsible for the governance of the Port Administration in Timor-Leste (PATL), the Public Company of Airports Administration and Air Navigation of Timor-Leste, the Civil Aviation Authority of Timor-Leste and of the National Communications Authority (NCA). Inacio Moreira previously served as Dean of the Engineering Faculty- National University of Timor-Leste (UNTLE) until 2006. He was appointed as the Minister for Transport and Communications during 2006 to 2007. He then became Member of Parliament from the FRETILIN party in 2007 until 2012. Before he was appointment again as the Vice Minister for Transport and Communication in 2015, he served as a Member of Parliament from the same party (2012-2017). Apart from his busy schedule serving the People of Timor-Leste, Vice Minister Inacio also currently working on his PhD research at the Universidade do Minho, Portugal since 2012.</p>
<p>Parallel Session 6b: Developments and Prospects in Fiji</p>	
<p>Chair: Jonathan Pryke, Research Fellow, Lowy Institute</p>	<p>Jonathan Pryke is a Research Fellow in the Myer Foundation Melanesia Program at the Lowy Institute. Prior to joining the Lowy Institute Jonathan was a Research Officer at the Development Policy Centre at the Australian National University where, on top of his research obligations, he was editor of the Development Policy Blog and a co-convener of the Australasian Aid Conference. Jonathan is interested in economic development in the Pacific Islands region, Australia's relationship with Melanesia, the role of aid and the private sector in Pacific Islands development and Pacific labour mobility. Jonathan holds a Bachelor of Commerce from The University of Sydney, a Masters of Public Policy (Development Policy), Masters of Diplomacy and Graduate Diploma in International and Development Economics from ANU.</p>
<p>Rukmani Gounder, Professor, Massey University; Zhongwei Xing, Massey University</p> <p><i>Remittances and Household Consumption Behavior: Findings from Fiji</i></p>	<p>Rukmani Gounder is Professor of Economics, School of Economics and Finance, Massey University, NZ. Her research interests are in the areas of Development Economics, Economic Growth, Social Development, International Economics with an applied economics framework in the Asia-Pacific nations. She has published extensively in the refereed journals, book chapters, and has authored and coauthored books. She has held many fellowships that include SMUTS fellow of Cambridge University, Visiting fellow at Australian National University, Thailand, India, United Kingdom. She won Massey Research Fellowship (2007) to study Pacific Islands economic development issues with emphasis on growth (or lack of), including capital flows, poverty, gender inequality. She has presented several keynote addresses and undertaken projects with international organisations and governments.</p>
<p>Rup Singh, Senior Lecturer, USP</p>	<p>Dr Rup Singh, Senior Lecturer and Deputy Head (School of Economics – Learning and Teaching), USP. Dr. Singh teaches Macroeconomics and Official Statistics at the</p>

<p><i>Fiji's Macro-Economy in the Short to Medium Term</i></p>	<p>University of the South Pacific. He has published in the areas trade, applied econometrics and growth economics. His recent book on "growth theory and policy" published in USA exhibits pragmatic growth policies for Asian economies as well as the developments in modelling economic growth. Rup is an editorial board member of two international journals from USA. Currently, he is the Deputy Head of the School of Economics at USP, in charge of learning and teaching.</p>
<p>Asaeli T. Tuibeqa, Development Manager, FNU</p> <p><i>Exploring the Disparity in SME Market Offerings in Fiji</i></p>	<p>Dr. Asaeli Tuibeqa spent almost 30 years in both the public and private sectors in Fiji. Currently, he is going through a transition from corporate into academia specialising in entrepreneurship and small business. His areas of expertise include project/programme development, writing grant submissions, strategic planning, entrepreneurial education, small business financing, policy analysis and market research. Dr. Tuibeqa's PhD thesis at Victoria University, Melbourne examined SME support services in Fiji using an interpretative phenomenological analysis approach. His findings shed light on the factors attributing to the failure of support services that are designed to enhance SME growth and confirmed a mismatch between market demand and supply.</p>
<p>Parallel Session 6c: Health and Non-Communicable Diseases (NCDs)</p>	
<p>Chair: Rosalina Sa'aga-Banuve, Program Director, Fiji Health Sector Support Program (DFAT Australia)</p>	<p>Dr. Rosa Sa'aga-Banuve is a consultant pediatrician with over twenty years of experience working in the Pacific region. Over her career she has worked with the World Health Organization, the Secretariat of the Pacific Community, UNICEF and the Fiji School of Medicine. She is currently the Program Director of the Fiji Health Sector Support Program (FHSSP), the Australian Government's bilateral health program with Fiji. FHSSP is supporting the Fiji Ministry of Health and Medical Services in areas such as maternal and child health, and non-communicable diseases. Dr Sa'aga-Banuve is the lead on the Program's NCD activities and has strong connections with Ministry counterparts and other organisations working in this space in Fiji.</p>
<p>Paula Vivili, Director of Public Health Division, SPC</p> <p><i>Outcomes of the Pacific NCD Summit</i></p>	<p>Dr Paula Vivili, Director, Public Health Division, Pacific Community (SPC). Dr Vivili joined the Pacific Community (SPC) as Deputy Director of the Public Health Division (Policy, Planning and Regulation) in November 2013 before becoming the Director in January 2015. Prior to joining SPC, he had worked for the Ministry of Health in the Kingdom of Tonga for 15 years. His area of primary expertise is Non-Communicable Diseases (NCDs) and he has been involved in national and regional work to address NCDs including the Pacific NCD Roadmap endorsed by the Joint Forum Economic and Health Ministers Meeting in 2014. He also provides counsel for various regional research and advisory groups.</p>
<p>Masoud Mohammadnezhad, Associate Professor, FNU</p> <p><i>A Systematic Review of Economic Analyses of NCDs Related Preventive Interventions: A Guide for Pacific Island Countries</i></p>	<p>Dr. Masoud Mohammadnezhad is an Associate Professor in the Department of Public Health and Primary Health Care and is Head of the Discipline of Health Promotion at Fiji National University. He received his BSc in Nursing and his MSc in Health Promotion from Iran. He finished his PhD in Public Health at Flinders University, Adelaide, Australia. Masoud is a highly experienced and well qualified Public Health Educator having taught and practiced Health Education and Promotion in several institutions in Iran, Australia, and Fiji. He not only possesses a strong background in Health Promotion but also possesses a strong working knowledge in social determinants of health, primary health care and research methodology. Masoud is a skilled public health advocate with a sound research background, a strong commitment to community health issues and successful tertiary teaching experience. He is specifically interested in the use of tailoring in behavior change interventions and the use of behavioral change models and health promotion.</p>
<p>Ronesh Prasad, Economist, FNU; Wayne Irava, Associate Professor, FNU; Idrish Khan, National Health Accounts Coordinator, Ministry of</p>	<p>Dr. Wayne Irava is the coordinator for the Centre for Health Information, Policy and Systems Research (CHIPSR) and Associate Professor of Health Economic at School of Public Health, College of Medicine, Nursing and Health Sciences at Fiji National University. Dr. Irava's research interest includes health financing, health economics, health policy, health systems and human resources for health.</p>

<p>Health and Medical Services, Fiji</p> <p><i>A Snapshot of Disease Based Costing from Fiji Health Accounts</i></p>	<p>Mr. Idrish Khan is National Health Accounts Coordinator in Health Care Financing Unit under Division of Policy, Planning and Development unit at Ministry of Health and Medical Services, Fiji.</p>
<p>Ravi Ram, Independent Health Evaluation Consultant and former Principal Advisor, SPC</p> <p><i>A Policy Framework To Address Non-Communicable Diseases And Food Security In The Pacific: Health In All Policies</i></p>	<p>Ravi Ram is a senior evaluation and development consultant, based in Noumea, New Caledonia and currently engaged with the Pacific Community (SPC), where he spearheaded programmatic management and integration. Prior to coming to the Pacific, he led monitoring and evaluation (M&E) and strategy for Amref (the Flying Doctors) in sub-Saharan Africa, focusing on strategic planning and evaluation, capacity building and systems development. He previously worked for universities and NGOs in Africa, South Asia and North America. His passion is to improve the lives and health of people across the 'Global South' through policy and other interventions. Dr. Ram holds a PhD from the Johns Hopkins University, School of Public Health; an MBA from USIU; an MPH from Boston University; and an AB from Harvard College.</p>
<p>Plenary Session 6: Closing Ceremony</p>	
<p>Andie Fong Toy Deputy Secretary General, Economic Governance and Security Programme, Pacific Island Forum Secretariat</p>	<p>Ms Fong Toy's extensive experience incorporates research on Pacific legal issues and working in a civil society organisation in New Zealand and experience in election observation missions, encapsulating vast knowledge and understanding of regional and international issues. Ms Fong Toy served as Director for the Forum Secretariat's Political Governance and Security Programme until 2008. Prior to her appointment as Director she also served the Secretariat as International Legal Adviser and Legal & Political Officer. Ms Fong Toy holds a Bachelor of Laws from the Victoria University in New Zealand and Masters in International Relations from Deakin University, Australia. In her present position, Ms Fong Toy is responsible for leading the Secretariat's work on economic governance, trade and investment, political governance, security and good governance.</p>
<p>Master of Ceremonies</p>	
<p>Neelesh Gounder</p>	<p>Neelesh Gounder is Senior Lecturer and Deputy Head of School of Economics at the University of the South Pacific. His research areas include trade liberalization, household poverty, microsimulation modelling and institutional economics. Neelesh has published over 20 papers in these and related areas in international journals. He has a PhD in economics from Griffith University (Australia).</p>