

# PNG, gender parity and education in the news

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Our [recent events](#) on gender parity in Papua New Guinea and higher education reform, hosted in conjunction with the Asia Pacific Professionals Association and PNG High Commission, sparked much conversation on these important topics, including through the media.

Girish Sawlani of the ABC attended both events at ANU, and also spoke to female PNG students, including Logea Nao, a student in Crawford School of Public Policy's International and Development Economics program, about their views on gender.

You can watch Girish's video story on the gender parity forum [here](#) (it screened on ABC News 24's *The World* program), or listen to a radio story [here](#).

A story on the lecture by The Hon Malakai Tabar, PNG's Minister for Higher Education, was also [aired](#) on Radio Australia's Pacific Beat, focusing on the Minister's push to increase the availability of tertiary education in PNG. During his visit to Canberra, Minister Tabar also spoke on other current political issues in PNG, such as [drought preparedness](#) and [recent political changes](#).

The podcasts from both Canberra events are [available on our Soundcloud page](#).

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