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Pacific Update livestream

If you can't make this year's Pacific Update conference at the University of the South Pacific on 20 - 21 June 2017, fret not; [a livestream](#) will be available. A reminder that the event is free and open to the public and that it is not too late to [register](#) to attend. Full program available [here](#), and further details on the conference [here](#).

My Father, My Country: documentary and Dame Meg Taylor @ ANU

The legend of Jim Taylor, colonial explorer and patrol leader, has long been folklore in PNG. On Thursday 22 June, his daughter, Dame Meg Taylor, Secretary General of the Pacific Islands Forum, will visit ANU to host a Q&A discussion and a screening of *My Father, My Country*. The documentary follows Dame Meg's retracing of her father's expeditions to make contact with highland tribes. You can read more about the event [here](#), and register to attend [here](#). Dame Meg will also be opening the Pacific Update.

Sam Koim @ ANU

Devpolicy are delighted to welcome former chairman and Principal Legal Officer of PNG's Investigation Taskforce Sweep, Sam Koim, as a Visiting Fellow. In collaboration with [RegNet](#), Sam will undertake a three-month fellowship at ANU, where he will conduct research into governance and corruption in PNG. Sam is a frequent contributor to the Devpolicy Blog, and you can read his posts [here](#).

AAC call for papers

We are pleased to announce that on 13 - 14 February 2018, the Development Policy Centre and the Asia Foundation will once again partner to bring you the 2018 Australasian Aid Conference. A call for papers has been [issued](#), with abstracts invited on a range of subjects related to aid and international development. You can read more about the event [here](#), and register your interest to attend [here](#). We are also seeking sponsors for the conference – [details here](#).

Devpolicy seeks Program Officer

We are currently recruiting a new Program Officer this year - this role is a crucial part of the centre, running our events and administration. Applications close on Friday 14 July. For more details or to apply, see the [job description](#).

Support Devpolicy Blog

Thank you to everyone who responded to our end of financial year appeal for the Devpolicy Blog. Your support will help us cover some of the costs of running the blog over the coming year. [Read more](#) about why we are asking for your support, and if you'd like to contribute, there is still time; you can make a tax deductible donation [here](#).

Upcoming events

2017 Pacific Update

20 – 21 June, The University of the South Pacific (USP), Suva, Fiji. Livestream [here](#). Details [here](#).

My Father, My Country: a film evening with Dame Meg Taylor
7 – 9pm, Thursday 22 June, Weston Theatre. Details [here](#).

2017 PNG Update

10 - 11 August, The University of Papua New Guinea, Waigani Campus, Port Moresby. Details [here](#).

New podcasts

[Drought and famine relief in Papua New Guinea, 2015-2016](#)

Blog highlights

[Shaming sexist media](#)

[In debt but not indebted - aid contributions](#)

[Bringing development home for Timorese migrant workers](#)

On the blog

[Fortnightly links: contractors, SDGs, Mosul, polio, UK aid, and more](#) by Camilla Burkot and Terence Wood

[RAMSI chapter ends in Australia's Pacific story](#) by James Batley

[How aid policy change happens: individuals](#) by Jo Spratt

[Women candidate numbers up in PNG](#) by Terence Wood

[Media fail! Papua New Guinean women deserve better from the media](#) by Michelle Nayahamui Rooney

[Is there any excuse for Australia and New Zealand giving so little?](#) By Terence Wood

[Day of judgement: PNG and the O'Neill Government](#) by Bal Kama

['Billions to trillions' with concessional finance](#) by Craig Sugden

[Candidate numbers fall in PNG elections in 2017](#) by Terence Wood

[Africa's democratic prospects](#) by Andebrhan Welde Giorgis

[Migration and development in the Asia-Pacific: an interview with the Director-General of the IOM](#) by Henry Sherrell

[PACER Plus is not much to celebrate](#) by Matthew Dornan

[Transitional livelihoods: Timorese migrant workers in the UK](#) by Ann Wigglesworth

[Sexual harassment in the Cambodian garment industry: prevalence and cost](#) by Stephanie Rendell and Hannah Lee

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