



INVITATION TO REGISTER

The Australia Papua New Guinea Business Council and the Business Council of Papua New Guinea are pleased to re-launch the 36th Australia Papua New Guinea Business Forum and Trade Expo deferred from 2020 to 24 to 26 May 2021. For the first time ever, this event will be held concurrently in Brisbane (at the Royal International Convention Centre), and also Online, with a shared speaking program. This is a new, exciting and pioneering way to do things, and we will endeavour to have answers for you immediately should you encounter any problems while using the online platform.

The Forum theme for this year is "Reimagining the Future Papua New Guinea". The theme aims to capture the important message that Australia and Papua New Guinea, along with the rest of the world must move and pivot with the times and circumstances in order to prosper. It also looks to advance discussion about greater diversity in the PNG economy.

Coronavirus and all its related restrictions and issues, along with advancements in technology mean that we must, collectively, think of different ways to work in trade, economy and indeed life. Online connectivity appears to be one of the important forms of communication that will continue for the foreseeable future.

The program for the Forum includes an overview of the political and economic climate, particularly issues which affect business and investment, and will include specific sessions by expert presenters on topics such as the Covid-19 Pandemic, emerging economic business opportunities in PNG, agribusiness, infrastructure, SME growth, Papua New Guineans in the Australian labour market, and resources.

Key government ministers from Australia and Papua New Guinea and a range of other expert speakers have been invited to address the Forum, and they will be able to join us from whichever location they are in, whether Brisbane, or elsewhere.

Registered delegates can engage in dynamic interaction with presenters either live in person or via the online platform with a Q&A feature. Video recordings of presentations will become available online soon after they are given so that delegates may go back and revisit portions they may have missed.

Delegates will also be able to connect via the online platform by sending messages and/or booking appointment times with each other, whether they are attending at the in-person venue or online.

The Forum will again feature a Trade Expo for Australian and Papua New Guinean companies wishing to use the opportunity to match their goods and services to clients and purchasers in each country, and to broaden their business relationship. An innovative development this year is that all the trade booths will be online, with only a limited number of physical booths in Brisbane (as well as online) due to Covid restrictions. Booth exhibitors will be able to display their corporate logo, upload documents and short videos for visitors, include links to their own website, and chat one-on-one with delegates online, who can request meeting times with them via the online platform.

The provisional program and booking forms for delegates, trade expo booths, and advertising in the delegates' handbook form part of this brochure. Register early for this conference as in-person spots at each location are limited and demand will be heavy. To register, complete the relevant booking forms and send them with your payment to the address shown on the form. Please take care to show where/how you wish to participate. There are many new features that we will be

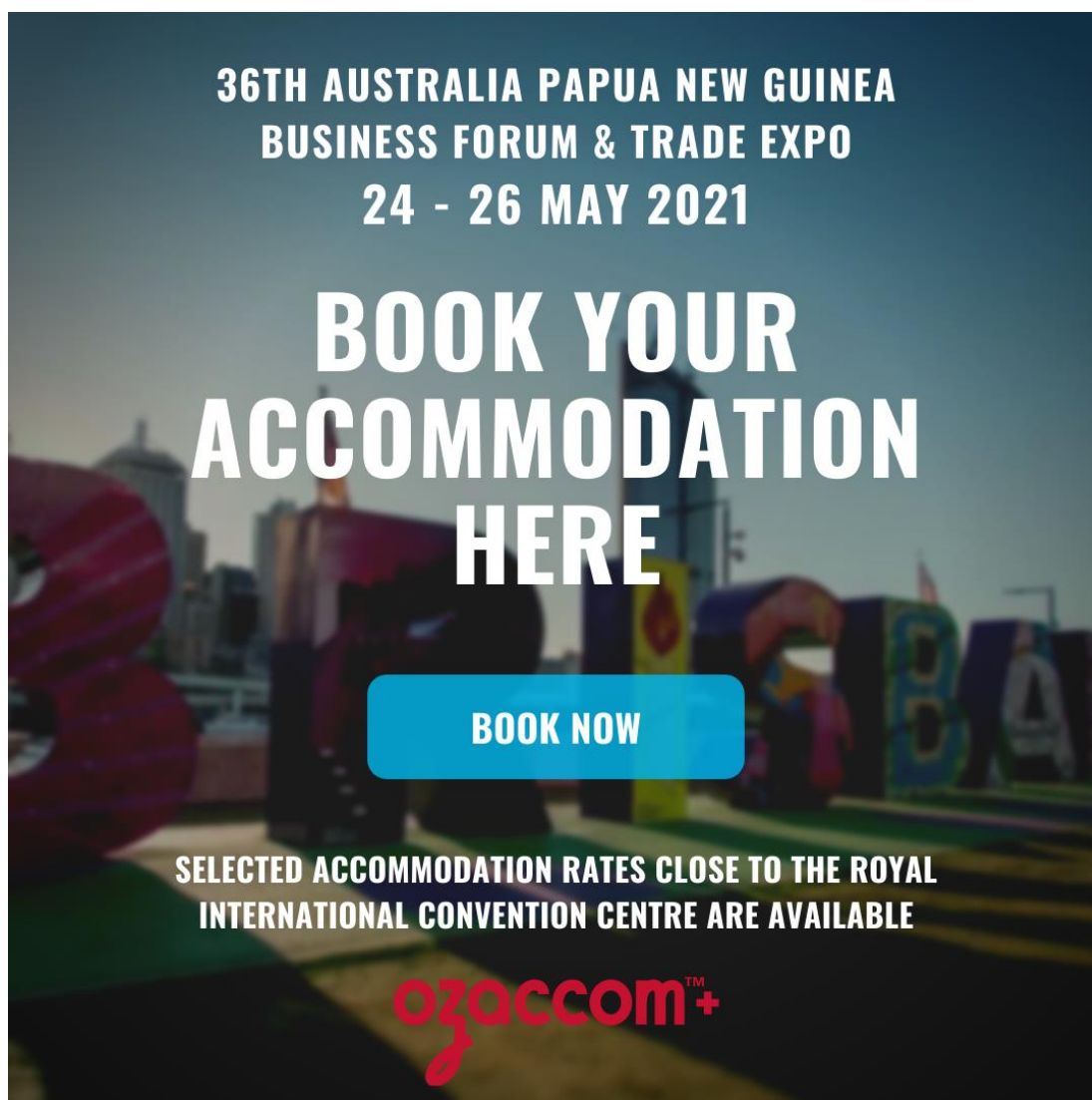
introducing during this Forum as we look to resume regular business to business engagement, which has been so disrupted during the last year. This is a very good value conference.

Enquiries about registration, Trade Expo bookings and accommodation should be directed to the secretariat of the Australia Papua New Guinea Business Council, on telephone + 61 7 3348 5142 or by e-mail at info@apngbc.org.au or to the Business Council of Papua New Guinea on telephone + 675 323 8465, fax + 675 323 5162 or by e-mail at admin@bcpng.org.

We look forward to hosting you at the 36th Australia Papua New Guinea Business Forum and Trade Expo on 24-26 May 2021, whether in Brisbane or Online.

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24 TO 26 MAY 2021.
REIMAGINING THE FUTURE PAPUA NEW GUINEA.

MONDAY 24 MAY 2021.

At Royal International Convention Centre, Brisbane.

1700 Bank South Pacific Registration Desk.

1700 Kina Bank Opening Cocktails.

1800 Opening of Austrade and IPA (PNG) Trade Expo.

1900 Westpac Pre-Forum Dinner.

Guest Speaker: Mr Sean Dorney AM.

TUESDAY 25 MAY 2021.

0730 Bank South Pacific Registration Desk.

0830 Plenary Session One:

Chair: Mr Peter Taylor, Australia Papua New Guinea Business Council.

Opening Remarks: Mr Mark Baker, President, Australia Papua New Guinea Business Council.

Australian Government Keynote Address: The Hon Scott Morrison MP, Prime Minister for Australia. TBC

Papua New Guinea Government Keynote Address: The Hon James Marape MP, Prime Minister of Papua New Guinea.

The Henry Kila Memorial Address: Dame Meg Taylor DBE, Former Secretary-General, Pacific Islands Forum.

1000 Santos Morning Tea.

1045 Plenary Session Two: The Covid-19 Pandemic.

Chair: Mr Geoff Scahill, Australia Papua New Guinea Business Council.

Managing Public Health: Dr Daoni Esorom, COVID Incident Manager, PNG National Control Centre.

Economic and Business Impact: Mr Robin Fleming, Managing Director, Bank South Pacific.

Next Steps Towards Vaccination: Mr Robin Davies, Vaccine Access Task Force, Indo Pacific Centre for Health Security, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade.

1145 Plenary Session Three: PNG Economy and Investment.

Chair: Ms Nuni Kulu, Business Council of Papua New Guinea.

Dr Kishti Sen, Pacific Economist, ANZ.

Mr Clarence Hoot, Chief Executive Officer, Investment Promotion Authority of Papua New Guinea.

Mr Joe Taia Kapa, Economist, Department of National Planning and Monitoring.

1245 Corrs Chambers Westgarth Lunch.

1400 Plenary Session Five: Emerging Business and Economic Development Opportunities:

Chair: Mr Philip Franklin, Australia Papua New Guinea Business Council.

Hon Christopher Haiveta CMG MP, Governor.

Mr Mark Foxe, Australian Consul-General, Lae.

Mr John Byrne, President, Lae Chamber of Commerce and Industry.

1500 Pacific People Solutions Afternoon Tea.

1530 Plenary Session Six: Building PNG's Agriculture.

Chair: Mr Stan Joyce, Business Council of Papua New Guinea.

Papua New Guinea Agricultural Transformation: Ms Karen James, CEO, Business 4 Development.

PNG Constraints to Agricultural Development: Mr Steven Nightingale, Chief Operating Officer - Director, NGIP Agmark PNG.

AUS A Vision for PNG's Agricultural Economy: Dr Mike Bourke, Honorary Associate Professor, Australian National University, Canberra.

Carbon Offset Projects Creating Landowner Value: Mr Esorom Toligur, Chief Executive Officer, NI Holdings Limited.

1630 Sessions end.

1800 Credit Corporation Cocktail Reception. Emporium Hotel Southbank, Brisbane.

1930 ANZ Forum Dinner. At Emporium Hotel Southbank, Brisbane.

WEDNESDAY 26 MAY 2021.

0830 KramerAusenco Plenary Session Seven: Infrastructure Development in Papua New Guinea.

Chair: Mr John Chambers, Australia Papua New Guinea Business Council. Hon William Samb MP, Minister for Transport and Infrastructure.

Australian Infrastructure Financing Facility for the Pacific:

Mr Benedict David, Assistant Secretary, Pacific Infrastructure Branch, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Canberra.

The Papua New Guinea Electrification Partnership:

Ms Diane Barclay, Counsellor (Infrastructure), Australian High Commission, Port Moresby.

Powering Papua New Guinea: Mr Flagon Bekker, Managing Director, PNG Power.

Australia Defence Projects: Ms Susan Bodell, Assistant Secretary, Indo Pacific Enhanced Engagement Branch, Department of Defence.

Kumul Consolidated Holdings Projects: Mr Isikeli Taureka, Managing Director.

Opportunities for United States, Papua New Guinea, and Australian Business: HE Ms Erin McKee, Ambassador of United States of America to Papua New Guinea.

1030 Abt Associates Morning Tea.

1100 Plenary Session Eight: The Importance of SME Growth in Papua New Guinea.

Chair: Ms Liz Mackinlay, Australia Papua New Guinea Business Council.

Mr Petrus Ralda, Managing Director, Small Business Corporation.

Ms Vani Nades, Director, Emstret.

Mr Ryan Warokra, Special Counsel, Corrs Chambers Westgarth.

1200 Trade and Investment Queensland Lunch.

1300 – Plenary Session Nine: PNG-Australia leadership – legacies, and looking ahead.

Chair: Mr Jonathan Pryke, Research Fellow, Aus-PNG Network, The Lowy Institute for International Policy.

Panelists:

Papua New Guinea: Des Yaninen, SME Council of Papua New Guinea.

Ms Gertrude Tamade, Porgera Joint Venture.

Dr Deane Woruba, Agricultural scientist and government advisor.

Australia: Cr Sarah Carter, Maribyrnong City Council.

Mr Matthew Tickner, Cairns Chamber of Commerce.

1400 Paradise Health Solutions Afternoon Tea.

1430 Plenary Session Ten: Cross-Sector Leadership for Pandemic Relief: COVID Vaccination Alliance of UNICEF Australia

Chair: Mr Frank Yourn, Executive Director, Australia Papua New Guinea Business Council.

Panelists:

Mr Andrew Sammy, Chief of Health and Nutrition, UNICEF PNG.

Mr Glen Connell, General Manager - External Relations and Social

Performance, Newcrest Mining.

Ms Yutong Ding, New Strategic Partnerships Lead, UNICEF Australia.

Ms Jo Metcalfe, Managing Director, GHD Foundation.

1530 Plenary Session Eleven: A Vision for Development of PNG's Resources.

Chair: Mr Brett Hooker, Australia Papua New Guinea Business Council. Mr Lucas Alkan, Head of National Secretariat, Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative: EITI's Work in PNG.

Dr Keiran Wulff, Managing Director, Papuan Oil Search Ltd.

Dr Albert Mellam, Executive Director, PNG Chamber of Mines and Petroleum. Industry: Overview of Oil and Gas and Mining.

1630 Closing Remarks:

Ms Nuni Kulu, President, Business Council of Papua New Guinea.

1645 GE Global Closing Drinks. At Royal International Convention Centre, Brisbane.

1845 END

