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**PAPUA NEW GUINEA NATIONAL BUDGET FORUM  
A REFLECTION AND WAY FORWARD  
PROGRAMME**

Date: Wednesday, 12 September 2012

Venue: NRI Conference Centre, Port Moresby

Chairperson: Dr. Modowa Gumoi, Program Leader (Economic Policy Research), NRI

<b>Time</b>	<b>Topic / Focus</b>	<b>Speakers and Panellists</b>
9:00 – 9:15	Welcome and Forum Overview	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Professor Thomas Webster, Director, NRI</li> </ul>
9:15 – 9:45	Past budget trends: Lessons for the future	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Professor Stephen Howes, Director, Development Policy Centre, ANU</li> </ul>
9:45- 10:25	Panel Session 1: Discussion of budget trends	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stuart Schaefer, Head of AusAID</li> <li>• TBA</li> </ul>
10:25-10:40	Morning Tea	
10:40-11:10	Sovereign Wealth Fund	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Anthony Yauiieb, Deputy Secretary, Economic and Financial Policy, Department of Treasury</li> </ul>
11:10-11:50	Panel Session 2: Discussion on Sovereign Wealth Fund	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Matt Morris, Deputy Director, Development Policy Centre, ANU</li> <li>• David Conn, President, Port Moresby Chamber of Commerce (TBC)</li> </ul>
11:50 – 12:20	National Government development priorities for the next five years	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hon. Charles Abel, MP Member for Alotau and Minister for National Planning</li> </ul>
12:20-12:40	Panel Session 3: Discussion of Government development priorities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Paul Barker, Executive Director, INA</li> <li>• TBA</li> </ul>
12:40-12:55	Overview of joint NRI/ANU Research Project on Promoting Effective Public Expenditure in PNG	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr. Modowa Gumoi, NRI</li> </ul>
12:55-1:00	Launch of joint NRI/ANU Research Project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Launch of Project by Professor Thomas Webster and Professor Stephen Howes</li> </ul>
1:00-1:20	Closing Remarks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• TBA</li> </ul>
1:20- 2:00	Lunch	