



Pacific Island Forum (PIF) – Main conference room



Thursday 16th February 2023



9am-1pm



Launch of the Digital Economy Report: Pacific Edition 2022

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Event Registration Link: <http://bit.ly/3WQ6Us4>



Time	Agenda Item
9:00-9:30	Morning tea and registration of participants
9:30-10:00	<p>Opening session</p> <p>Moderator: Mr. Noah Patrick Kouback, Programme Adviser – Trade, PIF</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opening prayer • Welcome remarks: Mr. Henry Puna, Secretary General, PIF • Welcome remarks (video address): Ms. Rebeca Grynspan, UNCTAD • Keynote address 1: Forum Minister or representative (tbc) • Keynote address 2: Mr. John Williams, Chargé d'affaires, Australian High Commission, Fiji • Keynote address 3: H.E. Mr. Sujiro Seam, Ambassador and Head of Delegation for the European Union for the Pacific



Presentation and panel discussion

Moderator: Ms. Lisa Williams-Lahari, Public Affairs Adviser, PIF

Presentation: Mr. Thomas van Giffen, Programme Manager, Pacific Digital Economy Programme, UNCTAD

10:00-11:30

Panel

- Mr. Joseph Ma'ahanau, High Commissioner to Fiji, Solomon Islands (tbc)
- E-commerce entrepreneurs (tbc)
- Ms. Esterlina Alipate, Principal Trade Officer, Tonga
- Ms. Neha Mehta, Regional Lead, United Nations Capital Development Fund (UNCDF)
- Dr. Christian Girard, Lecturer of Management and Public Administration, University of the South Pacific

11:30-11:40

Pacific E-commerce Portal

- PIF presentation by Mr. Andrea Ibba, Pacific E-commerce Coordinator, PIF

11:40-11:45

Word of Thanks

- Mr. Thomas van Giffen, Programme Manager, Pacific Digital Economy Programme, UNCTAD
- Mr. Zarak Khan, Director Programmes and Initiatives, PIFS (TBC)

11:45-12:00

Media session

12:00-13:00

Lunch and networking

