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2013 NATIONAL BUDGET FORUM

Theme: The Focus and Implementation of the 2013 PNG National Budget

Thursday 7 February 2013 | NRI Conference Centre | 9am – 12:30 pm

PROGRAM

TIME	ACTIVITY
9:00– 9:10	Welcome Remarks - Dr. Thomas Webster, NRI Director
Session 1: 2013 National Budget –Overview and Assessment	
9:10 – 9:30	Overview, Rationale and Implementation <i>Hon. Don Polye, MP, Minister for Treasury</i>
9:30 – 9:50	Accountability and Transparency <i>Hon. Mr. James Marape, MP, Minister for Finance (TBC)</i>
9:50 – 10:10	Analysis and Assessment <i>Prof. Stephen Howes, Director, Development Policy Centre, ANU</i>
10:10-10:40	Q and A Session
10:40 – 11:00	Morning Tea Break
Session 2: 2013 National Budget – Commentary and Reporting back from the field	
11:00 – 11:40	Commentary on Budget Presentation and Analysis <i>Mr. Tim Bulman, Country Economist for PNG and Solomon Islands, World Bank, and Mr. John Leahy, President, PNG Chamber of Commerce & Industry</i>
11:40 – 12:00	Promoting Effective Public Expenditure Survey: Reporting back from the field <i>Mr. Colin Wiltshire, ANU and Mr. Andrew A. Mako, NRI</i>
12:00 – 12:20	Q and A
12:20 – 12:30	Closing Remarks - Director, NRI
12:30 pm	Refreshments