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THE PACIFIC STATISTICS METHODS BOARD (PSMB) MEETING

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

23 to 24 May 2019

Statistics NZ Auckland Office – Level 7

**80 Greys Avenue
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TIME	DOCU MENT No.	AGENDA ITEM	AUTHOR/PRESENTER
DAY 1: THURSDAY, 23 MAY			
8:30 am		Registration	
9:00 am		Opening Prayer	Mr. Viliami Fifita Tonga Govt. Statistician
9:05 am		Welcome to members and introduction of the Agenda	Mr. Vince Galvin <i>Chief Methodologist</i> Statistics New Zealand
9:15 am	1	<p><u>Topic:</u> Towards a Service Offering for the PSMB</p> <p><u>Purpose:</u> To summarise methodological needs identified in the Pacific, and explore statistical services that could address these needs.</p> <p><u>Expected Outcome:</u> Agreement on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the role of the PSMB in delivery of statistical services across the Pacific; the needs, solution mechanisms, priorities and next steps for delivery of these services. 	Mr. Vince Galvin <i>Chief Methodologist</i> Statistical Methods Statistics New Zealand
10:30 am		Morning Tea	
11:00 am	2 and 3	<p><u>Topic:</u> Sampling Guidelines and Terms of Reference (TORs) for the Sampling Sub-Committee.</p> <p><u>Purpose:</u> To present the recently developed sampling guidelines and TORs for the Sampling Sub-Committee to PSMB.</p> <p><u>Expected Outcome:</u> Endorsement by PSMB for publication of the guidelines and TORs.</p>	Mr. Bruce Fraser <i>Director</i> Household Statistics Methodology Australian Bureau of Statistics
12:00 pm		Lunch	
1:00 pm	4	<p><u>Topic:</u> Background to the Marshall Islands Household Income and Expenditure Survey Experiment ('RMI HIES Experiment').</p> <p><u>Purpose:</u> To brief PSMB on the experiment.</p> <p><u>Expected Outcome:</u> PSMB understands experiment methodology and research questions.</p>	Mr. Michael Sharp <i>Economic Statistics & Microdata Specialist</i> Pacific Community
1:30 pm	5	<p><u>Topic:</u> Feedback from national statistics office (NSO) and field staff on the RMI HIES Experiment.</p> <p><u>Purpose:</u> To present feedback from implementing NSO and field staff.</p> <p><u>Expected Outcome:</u> PSMB is provided with feedback from the implementing NSO and field staff.</p>	Mr. Michael Sharp
2:00 pm	6 / 7 / 8 / 9	<p><u>Topic:</u> Feedback from data users on the complementary HIES modules.</p> <p><u>Purpose:</u> To present feedback from data users on complementary HIES modules.</p> <p><u>Expected Outcome:</u> PSMB is briefed on suitability of the complementary HIES modules.</p> <p><u>Module coverage:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Economic Activity: International Labour Organisation (ILO). Food insecurity experience scale, partakers and food away from home: Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations (FAO). 	<p><u>ILO</u> Mr. Michael Sharp, on behalf of ILO</p> <p><u>FAO</u> Ms. Nathalie Troubat <i>Consultant Food Security and Nutrition Statistics</i></p> <p><u>UNICEF</u> Mr. Stanley Ganure Gwavuya <i>Social Policy Specialist</i></p>

		iii. Disability: United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF). iv. Fisheries: Pacific Community (SPC).	<u>SPC</u> Mr. Michael Sharp
3:00 pm		Afternoon Tea	
3:30 pm		<i>Continuation of previous session</i>	
5:00 pm		End of Day One	

DAY 2: FRIDAY, 24 MAY			
8:30 am	10 / 11	<p><u>Topic:</u> Feedback from data users on the different methodologies for the collection of consumption data. <u>Purpose:</u> To present feedback from data users on the different methodologies for the collection of consumption data. <u>Expected Outcome:</u> PSMB is informed on the implication on data use by adopting different methods for collecting consumption data through HIES. <u>Data user coverage:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Consumer price index: SPC; ii. National accounts: Pacific Financial Technical Assistance Centre (PFTAC); iii. Prevalence of Undernourishment and diet composition: FAO; iv. Poverty: University of Waikato and the World Bank 	<p><u>SPC</u> Mr. Rens Hendriks <i>Economic Statistician</i></p> <p><u>IMF – PFTAC</u> Mr. Marcus Scheiblecker <i>Real Sector Advisor</i></p> <p><u>FAO</u> Ms. Nathalie Troubat <i>Consultant Food Security and Nutrition Statistics</i></p> <p><u>University of Waikato</u> Prof. John Gibson Professor of Economics</p> <p><u>World Bank</u> Ms. Kristen Himelein Senior Economist / Statistician</p>
10:00 am		Morning Tea	
10:30 am		<i>Continuation of previous session</i>	
12:00 noon		Lunch	
1:00 pm		<p><u>Topic:</u> Feedback on financial implication of different methodologies for the collection of consumption data. <u>Purpose:</u> To present the cost of different methodologies. <u>Expected Outcome:</u> PSMB is informed on the cost implication of different methods.</p>	Mr. Michael Sharp
2:00 pm	12	PSMB discussion on RMI HIES Experiment and recommendation for HIES methodology, dissemination of results and next steps.	Dr. Ofa Ketu’u <i>Director</i> Pacific Community
3:00 pm		Afternoon Tea	
3:30 pm		<p><u>Administrative Matters:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow-up action from previous PSMB meeting; • Date of PSMB meeting in October 2019; • Agenda for PSMB meeting in October 2019 (and beyond); • Any other business; • Review of PSMB meeting minutes. 	Dr. Ofa Ketuu
4:30 pm		Closing Remarks	Mr. Vince Galvin