PFTAC Steering Committee Meeting
May 23-24, 2023
Matavi Resort, Niue
AGENDA

Tuesday, May 23, 2023

09:00 – 09:45 Opening session
16:00 – 16:45 (DC Time)

Opening Prayer – Rev. Bazinet Viviani

- Welcome remarks, Hon. Crossley Tatui, Minister of Finance, Niue
- IMF Opening Statement, Mr. Dominique Desruelle, Director of the Institute for Capacity Building of the IMF (ICD).
- Opening Remarks, by H.E. Ms. Helen Tunnar, New Zealand High Commissioner to Niue
- Official group photo, followed by morning tea

New program and regional economic outlook

10:15 – 10:30 Ms. Doreen Siataga, Financial Secretary, Niue (SC Chair) – Overview, participants introduction & adoption of meeting Agenda

10:30 – 10:55 Global Developments and the Impact on the PICs, Mr. Neil Saker, IMF
17:30 – 17:55 Regional Resident Representative, Fiji

10:55 – 11:20 Macro-frameworks CD: Building capacity in macroeconomic forecasting and policy analysis, Mr. Andy Berg, Deputy Director, ICD
18:20 – 19:15 PFTAC support – members feedback and experiences in a volatile world

11:20 – 12:15 Tonga – Governor, Mr. Tatafu Moeaki

Fiji – Deputy Governor, Mr. Esala Masitabua

Mr. George Mow, PITAA Secretariat, Modernizing Revenue Administrations in the Pacific: Resilience and Redesign
12:15 – 12:30  PNG programs and the authorities’ reform, by Sohrab Rafiq, PNG Resident Representative

12:30 – 13:45  Lunch

13:45 – 15:00  FY2023 key achievements

- **Public Financial Management Program**, by Mr. Paul Seeds and Mr. Iulai Lavea, PFTAC Advisors
  - Country intervention – Kiribati, Ms. Maaman Ioakim
  - Discussion

- **Macro-Economic Analysis Program**, by Mr. Andrew Beaumont, PFTAC Advisor
  - Discussion

- **Real Sector Statistics**, by Mr. Matthew Powell, PFTAC Advisor
  - Country intervention – Cook Islands, Ms. Sally Wyat, Ministry of Finance, virtual
  - Discussion

- **Government Finance Statistics**, by Mr. Eduard Moskalenko, PFTAC Advisor
  - Country intervention – Samoa, Mr. Leota A. Salani, and Mr. Fitimaleula Tipi, Samoa Bureau of Statistics, virtual
  - Discussion

15:00 – 15.15  Tea Break

15:15 – 16:00  FY2023 key achievements (follow up)

- **Revenue Program**, by Ms. Katrina Williams and Mr. John McAlister, PFTAC Advisors
  - Discussion

- **Debt Management Program**, by Ms. Briar Ferguson, PFTAC Advisor
  - Country intervention – Vanuatu, Mr. John Simelum, Ministry of Finance, virtual
  - Discussion

- **Financial Sector Supervision Program**, by Mr. Rajinder Kumar, PFTAC Advisor, International Prudential standards for Financial institutions: implementing proportionality
  - Country intervention – Vanuatu, Mr. Noel Vari, Reserve Bank of Vanuatu, virtual
  - Discussion
16:00 – 16:30  Review and Report of FY2023 Program and Budget Implementation, by Ms. Shane Prasad, Analyst

23:00 – 23:30  PFTAC Financial Report, by Ms. Donna Muwonge, ICD Global Partnerships

Wednesday 24 May, 2023

PFTAC: PHASE VI

09:00 – 09:05  Overview of Day 2 program, Ms. Doreen Siataga (SC Chair)

09:05 – 09:20  PortWatch material and introductions, by Ms. Alessandra Sozzi, IMF virtual

16:05 – 16:20  Overview of Phase 6 Strategic Priorities and Partnership

16:20 – 16:50

- Mr. Samir Jahjah
- Ms. Donna Muwonge, ICD Global Partnerships Division

09:50 – 10:15  Morning tea

10:15 – 10:45  Partners and Observer round-table:

17:15 – 17:45  Observations and comments about future support, areas of collaboration (Asian Development Bank, Australia, European Union, Korea, New Zealand and United States) and observers

10:45 – 12:15  FY2024/Phase VI Work-plan: key thematic and priorities

17:45 – 19:15  

- Macroeconomic Analysis - Approaches to economic forecasting in small open economies

- Institute for Capacity Development (ICD) – Frameworks for Inclusion a sustainable Climate and Development.

- Revenue Administration - Increase collection, Improve capability, Implement law

- Public Financial Management (PFM)

- Financial Sector Supervision (FSS) - Integrating emerging risks in prudential supervision of Financial institutions

- Debt management – Advancing resilience in Debt Management
- Government Finance Statistics (GFS) **Enabling data-driven fiscal policy**

- Real Sector Statistics (RSS) **Smart Data for Smart Policy**

12:15 – 12:30  
**FY2024 Budget and Program**, by Mr. Samir Jahjah (PFTAC Director)

19:15 – 19:30  
**FY2024 Workplan and Budget**

12:30 – 13:00  
Item for Steering Committee Endorsement

19:30 – 20:00  
**Decisions**  
Summing-up and Plans for next meeting – Ms. Doreen Siataga, SC Chair

**Concluding Comments, Mr. Samir Jahjah, PFTAC Director**

**Official closing of the meeting, Hon. Crossley Tatui, Minister of Finance**

**Devotion, Rev. Navy Salatielu, President Ekalesia, Niue**

**Lunch**

18:30 – 21:00  
**Steering Committee Dinner hosted by Government of Niue**  
Please be at the main lobby at 5:30-5:45pm for bus transport to Tuapa village (dinner venue).

**Host, Hon. Crossley Tatui, Minister of Finance, Niue**