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THE PACIFIC STATISTICS METHODS BOARD (PSMB) MEETING

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

30-31st October 2018

Tanoa International Hotel, Nadi, Fiji

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TIME	DOCUMENT No.	AGENDA ITEM	AUTHOR/PRESENTER
DAY 1: TUESDAY 30TH OCTOBER			
8:30 am		Registration	
9:00 am		Opening Prayer	Mr. Epeli Waqavonovono Fiji Govt. Statistician & Deputy Chair of the Board
9:05 am		Welcome to members and introduction of the Agenda	Mr. Epeli Waqavonovono
9:30 am	1	<p><u>Topic:</u> History of HIES in the Pacific; the current standard regional HIES methods; and rational for HIES methods experiment in RMI.</p> <p><u>Purpose:</u> The purpose of this paper is to inform Board members on the current HIES methods; associated challenges and the reason for the RMI HIES experiment.</p> <p><u>Expected Outcome:</u> That the Board note this paper and share it with Pacific NSOs for their information.</p>	Mr. Michael Sharp Economic Statistics & Microdata Specialist SPC-SDD
11:00 am		Morning Tea	
11:30 am	2	<p><u>Topic:</u> Living Standard Measurement Survey (LSMS) Methodology</p> <p><u>Purpose:</u> This presentation has two objectives: a) to inform the Board on the new FAO/World Bank guidelines on collection of consumption data; and b) how to best collect consumption data with CAPI.</p> <p><u>Expected Outcome:</u> That the Board note this paper and share it with Pacific NSOs for their information.</p>	Ms. Heather Moylan Survey Specialist LSMS World Bank
12:30 pm		Lunch	
1:30 pm	3	<p><u>Topic:</u> Lessons from three decades of using data from household surveys and experiments on household survey methods in developing countries.</p> <p><u>Purpose:</u> This presentation is information sharing. University of Waikato has an extensive knowledge base on household survey methods in developing countries and this is an opportunity to share these with the PSMB.</p> <p><u>Expected Outcome:</u> That the Board note this presentation and share it with Pacific NSOs for their information.</p>	Professor John Gibson Professor of Economics University of Waikato
3:00 pm	4	<p><u>Topic:</u> Household Statistics Model for Pacific Island Countries and Territories (PICTs): A way forward.</p> <p><u>Purpose:</u> This presentation will contribute toward the discussion on ways to improve the collection of household data in the Pacific.</p> <p><u>Expected Outcome:</u> That the Board considers some of the propositions put forward in this presentation.</p>	Mr. Bruce Fraser <i>Director</i> Household Statistics Methodology Australian Bureau of Statistics
4:30 pm		End of Day One	

DAY 2: WEDNESDAY 31ST OCTOBER			
9:30 am	5	<p><u>Topic:</u> World Bank/SPC-SDD Project on better access to Pacific microdata.</p> <p><u>Purpose:</u> This presentation is to inform the Board on this project and some of the challenges identified in terms of microdata dissemination. SDD has implemented a World Bank funded project aimed at improving the archiving; documentation and dissemination of Pacific microdata. An important component of this project will be capacity building within SDD and NSOs.</p> <p><u>Expected Outcome:</u> That the Board note this presentation.</p>	Mr. Michael Sharp
10:30 am		Morning Tea	
11:00 am	6	<p><u>Topic:</u> Resourcing the Methods Board</p> <p><u>Purpose:</u> Secretariat is proposing that the Board reconsider the World Bank presentation titled “Resourcing the Methods Board,”</p> <p><u>Expected Outcome:</u> That the Board discuss and ways to resource the Methods Board.</p>	Dr. Ofa Ketuu Director of SDD & Secretary to the Board
12:00 noon		Lunch	
1:00 pm	7	<p><u>Topic:</u> Identification of Topics for Future Consideration by the Board: Gauging Country Needs</p> <p><u>Purpose:</u> This paper presents some thoughts on how to gauge member countries’ requirements from the PSMB. The aim is to put in place a process that will enable the Pacific NSOs to identify issues that are strategically significant for the Board to consider.</p> <p><u>Expected Outcomes:</u> That the Board considers: i) some of the propositions put forward in this paper and; ii) a draft Agenda for the 2019 Board Meetings.</p>	Mr. Vince Galvin Chief Methodologist Statistics New Zealand
2:00 -3:30 pm		Secretariat to prepare a Draft Outcome Statement for the Chairman to present to PSSC Meeting on 1 st - 2 nd November 2018.	Secretariat SPC-SDD
3:30 pm	8	Board members to consider the Draft Outcome Statement from the PSMB Meeting with Secretariat to finalise and circulate to PSSC members.	Mr. Vince Galvin
4:20 pm		<p><u>Administrative Matters:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow-up action from previous PSMB Meeting • Date of Board Meeting for April 2019 • Any other business 	Dr. Ofa Ketuu
4:30 pm		Closing Remarks	Mr. Vince Galvin
6:30 pm	WEDNESDAY 31ST OCTOBER: Reception for all PSSC and PSMB Meetings’ participants		