Pacific Department 2012 Compendium of Knowledge Products

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Based in Manila, ADB is owned by 67 members, including 48 from the region. Its main instruments for helping its developing member countries are policy dialogue, loans, equity investments, guarantees, grants, and technical assistance.
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FOREWORD

The Asian Development Bank (ADB) has long produced knowledge products on development issues and concerns of the Pacific developing member countries. This was boosted by the Pacific Studies Series that commenced in 1995. Knowledge has been drawn from specially commissioned studies as well as from the experience gained from ADB’s many projects. Over the past 15 years, the Pacific Department has published over 100 publications. These range from economic updates, and briefs, to policy analyses of human resource development, growth and development, education and vocational training, fisheries, agriculture, the environment, poverty, private sector development, remittances, trade, political economy, state performance, and much more. This is the third time the Pacific Department has prepared a compendium of publications. We are again using this compendium to highlight some of the major publications of earlier years. We trust that the compendium will be of interest and assistance to those working on the Pacific.

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Publications in 2012

Climate Change and Environment

Coral Triangle Initiative Information Update No. 2

This brochure provides an update on the progress of the Strengthening Coastal and Marine Resources Management in the Coral Triangle of the Pacific Phase II Regional Policy and Advisory Technical Assistance provided by the Asian Development Bank (ADB) with cofinancing from the Global Environment Facility (GEF) and the Government of Finland.

Development Effectiveness

Federated States of Micronesia: Opening for Business
www.adb.org/publications/federated-states-micronesia-opening-business

The government and the people of the Federated States of Micronesia (FSM) have been working with ADB since 1990. The FSM has achieved important development gains since it become a full-fledged member of the United Nations in 1991. ADB has helped the government build the foundations of this reform. It has provided much-needed support for the government's private sector development efforts, and the finance sector and public sector reforms. ADB has also assisted citizens of the FSM improve their health and education sector management. Due to ADB support for public infrastructure, the citizens also have greater access to essential services, including water, sewerage, and power.
The country partnership strategy for Timor-Leste was discussed in the October 2012 Milestones and ADB-Supported Events in Timor-Leste; Ordinary Capital Development Sector Project (October 2012)


In this edition of the Dili Bulletin: Ordinary Capital Resources, a pool of funds offered to lower- to middle-income developing member countries (DMCs); Project Milestones and ADB-Supported Events in Timor-Leste; and The Infrastructure Agenda, an article which discusses the state of infrastructure in the country, and gives suggested steps to increase its rate of improvement.

The key outputs of the project cycle are released publicly. More information on the project cycle is available at www.adb.org/dili-bulletin.

ADB's Independent Evaluation Department also evaluates a sample of projects. A project completion report. ADB's Independent Evaluation Department also evaluates a sample of projects. The evaluation includes an examination of the project's technical, institutional, and management aspects, and any potential preparatory technical assistance, which helps the government make an examination of the project.

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The second batch of scholars supported by the Infrastructure Management Technical Assistance Project departed for Indonesia in August. The 11 scholars, who are studying in Indonesia, will undertake courses for instructors.

They have focused on restoring infrastructure; improving maintenance; increasing safety, quality, and reliability; and promoting private sector participation. ADB's private sector reform activities have helped implement state-owned enterprise reforms and improve the environment for doing business.

Dili Bulletin: About ADB (July 2012)


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Dili Bulletin: The Road Network Development Sector Project (October 2012)


This edition of the Dili Bulletin provides an overview and description of the Road Network Development Sector Project. The project is upgrading 66 km of national road from Liquica to Mota Ain at the border with Indonesia, and undertaking heavy maintenance of 42 km of national road from Batugade to Maliana. The project is improving the main road link to Indonesia. This will promote cross-border trade by bringing down the cost of transport for people and goods and will make travel faster and safer. Hundreds of jobs will be created during construction.

Solomon Islands: Roads/Routes to Success

The government and the people of Solomon Islands have been working with ADB since 1973. The relationship has included 16 loans, six Asian Development Fund (ADF) grants, 65 technical assistance projects, ongoing policy dialogue, and the development of specific knowledge products. Solomon Islands have achieved important development gains through ADB's support. In transport, they have focused on restoring infrastructure; improving maintenance; increasing safety, quality, and reliability; and promoting private sector participation. ADB's private sector reform activities have helped implement state-owned enterprise reforms and improve the environment for doing business.
ECONOMY

Pacific Economic Monitor (December 2012)
The December 2012 edition of the Pacific Economic Monitor examines the fiscal position of ADB’s Pacific DMCs and their budget plans for 2013. Special articles included in this issue focus on economic management and growth prospects in smaller Pacific island economies.

Pacific Economic Monitor (July 2012)
This edition of the Pacific Economic Monitor discusses mid-year updates to 2012 and 2013 GDP growth and inflation projections for ADB’s Pacific DMCs.

Pacific Economic Monitor (March 2012)
This edition of the Pacific Economic Monitor discusses 2012 and 2013 GDP growth and inflation projections for ADB’s Pacific DMCs.
Energy

Pacific Energy Update 2012
ADB is working to assist the development of the energy sectors in our 14 Pacific DMCs through technical assistance and concessional loan/grant financing. ADB is providing support for the rehabilitation and expansion of power sector infrastructure, improvement in electricity access rates, expansion of renewable energy generation, and improving efficiency of energy use. ADB is currently implementing energy sector projects in 11 Pacific countries (Cook Islands, Fiji, Marshall Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, Nauru, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Timor-Leste, and Vanuatu). This document provides an update of the existing 2012 portfolio of Pacific energy sector projects and a summary of requested assistance for 2013.

Fragile Conflict-Affected Situations

Working Differently in Fragile and Conflict-Affected Situations—A Staff Handbook
This handbook aims to help ADB staff and other development practitioners to more effectively plan, design, and implement projects in fragile and conflict-affected settings.
Continuing Reform to Promote Growth—Update of the Private Sector Assessment for Tonga

This analysis is a follow-up to Transforming Tonga: A Private Sector Assessment. It assesses progress made until early 2012 in reducing transaction costs and other barriers to growth identified in the 2008 private sector assessment. It concludes that Tonga has been one of the leading reformers in the Pacific in improving its business environment, although it has been impacted by the adverse macroeconomic shocks arising from the global economic crisis.

Pacific PSDL Bulletin (March 2012)

This issue talks about the key role of The Republic of Nauru Phosphate Corporation in Nauru’s economy and a summary report on what can be done to reduce poverty in Solomon Islands.

Pacific Private Sector Development Initiative: Annual Progress Report 2011

This year’s Pacific Private Sector Development Initiative (PSDI) Annual Progress Report describes further progress in ongoing initiatives as well as those that have just commenced in 2011.
The efficiency and effectiveness of a country's public sector is vital. Their experiences offer key lessons and recommendations that may be of use to other small countries facing similar challenges. Reforms of state-owned enterprises (SOEs) have numerous challenges, particularly in the commercial ventures, where SOEs crowd out the private sector. These can absorb large amounts of scarce capital, on which they provide very low returns. While some Pacific member countries have reduced the number of SOEs, others still face significant challenges.

From 2000 to 2010 for the Pacific, the Asian Development Bank (ADB) provided $2.7 billion to its development. Assisting developing countries in strengthening public sector management and governance loans and grants totaling $96 million for 96 advisory technical assistance projects. ADB has been working with these governments to develop and manage its revenue sources and improve expenditure management. ADB has been providing technical assistance to its developing members to put in place good governing systems, making people they know redundant is practically impossible. Performance. Non-attendance in the workplace is often tolerated, relationships also makes it hard to discipline employees for poor performance. Non-attendance in the workplace is often tolerated, non-employment as SOE directors and as policy advisers to ministers. Close relations also makes it hard to discipline employees for poor performance. Non-attendance in the workplace is often tolerated, services such as electricity, drinking water, telecommunications, and financial services are provided to the public. In Kiribati and Tuvalu where government is the largest employer and government revenue and spending are the main drivers of economic activity, poor performing SOEs absorb large amounts of scarce capital, on which they provide very low returns. While some Pacific member countries have reduced the number of SOEs, others still face significant challenges.

At the time these SOEs were established, the private sector was unable or unwilling to provide these services, but this has not been the case. Some development assistance directly or indirectly supports reforms and infrastructure assistance in the region.

Public Sector Management: Lessons from State-Owned Enterprise Reforms in Kiribati and Tuvalu

This paper highlights the importance of SOE reforms for economic growth, and lists lessons learned from SOE reforms in Kiribati and Tuvalu.

Impact Stories from the Pacific Region—Breaking Down the Barriers to Business in the Pacific

This booklet features the stories of entrepreneurial Pacific women and men who explain how their lives have been changed for the better through ADB-supported PSDI reforms and infrastructure assistance in the region.

Finding Balance III: PNG State-Owned Enterprise Benchmarking Study

This study benchmarks the performance of Papua New Guinea’s state-owned enterprises (SOE) with those of Fiji, the Marshall Islands, Samoa, Solomon Islands, and Tonga; assesses the key drivers of this performance; and identifies successful reform strategies that can guide future policy action.
This report investigates urbanization trends across the 14 Pacific DMCs of ADB. It examines the history of Pacific urbanization, current state of infrastructure and service provision within urban areas, and systems of urban governance.
Previous Releases: Series

Capacity Development Series

www.adb.org/publications/series/capacity-development-series

Published in 2009

A Tale of Two CDs: Capacity Development and Community Development in the Waste, Water, and Sanitation Sector in Kiribati
Bridging the State–Society Gap: The Community Justice Liaison Unit of Papua New Guinea
Building Capacity through Participation: Nauru National Sustainable Development Strategy
Making Things Simpler?—Harmonizing Aid Delivery in the Cook Islands
Reconstructing a Fragile State: Institutional Strengthening of the Ministry of Infrastructure Development in Solomon Islands
Vanuatu Legal Sector Strengthening Program

Published in 2008

Learning from Success
Improving Government
A New Vision for the Health Sector in Tonga
Fishing for Development
From Dependency to Sustainability
Responding to the Youth Crisis
Revamping the Cook Islands Public Sector
Supporting Community-Based Capacity Development
The Provincial Performance Improvement Initiative
The Role of USPNet in Capacity Development in the South Pacific Region
Dili Bulletin

Published in 2011

Dili Bulletin: Timor-Leste 2011 Road Outlook  August 2011
Dili Bulletin: About ADB  May 2011
Dili Bulletin: ADB and Timor-Leste  January 2011

Pacific Economic Monitor

Published in 2011

Pacific Economic Monitor (December 2011)
Pacific Economic Monitor (July 2011)
Pacific Economic Monitor (February 2011)

Published in 2010

Pacific Economic Monitor (December 2010)
Pacific Economic Monitor (July 2010)
Pacific Economic Monitor (February 2010)

Published in 2009

Pacific Economic Monitor (November 2009)
Pacific Economic Monitor (August 2009)
Pacific Economic Monitor (May 2009)

Pacific PSD Quarterly issue

Pacific PSD Quarterly Issue No. 1
Published in 2010
www.adb.org/publications/pacific-psd-quarterly-november-2010

Pacific PSD Quarterly Issue No. 2
Published in 2012
Pacific PSD Quarterly Issue No. 3
Published in 2012

Pacific PSD Quarterly Issue No. 4
Published in 2012

Pacific Private Sector Policy Briefs

Access to Finance
Published in 2008
www.adb.org/publications/access-finance

The Legal Business Environment
Published in 2008

Public-Private Partnerships
Published in 2008
www.adb.org/publications/public-private-partnerships

State-owned Enterprise Reform
Published in 2008
www.adb.org/publications/state-owned-enterprise-reform
PREVIOUS RELEASES: TITLES

CLIMATE CHANGE AND ENVIRONMENT

Community-Based Climate Vulnerability Assessment and Adaptation Planning
Published in 2012

Coral Triangle Initiative Information Update No. 1
Published in 2012

Food Security and Climate Change in the Pacific: Rethinking the Options
Published in 2012

Pacific Climate Change Program Information Update No. 3
Published in 2012

Pacific Climate Change Program Information Update No. 4
Published in 2012
www.adb.org/publications/economics-climate-proofing-project-level-two-pacific-case-studies

Climate Change in the Pacific: Stepping Up Responses in the Face of Rising Impacts
Published in 2010
www.adb.org/documents/reports/climate-change-pac/default.asp

Responding to Climate Change in the Pacific: Moving From Strategy to Action
Published in 2010
Mainstreaming Climate Change in ADB Operations: Climate Change Implementation Plan for the Pacific (2009–2015)
Published in 2009

Climate Proofing: A Risk-based Approach to Adaptation
Published in 2005

Pacific Region Environmental Strategy 2005–2009

Development Effectiveness

Marshall Islands: Together, Forging a Better Future
Published in 2012
www.adb.org/publications/marshall-islands-together-forging-better-future

Tonga: Sustaining a Strong Culture While Building the Future
Published in 2012
www.adb.org/publications/tonga-sustaining-strong-culture-while-building-future

Impact Stories from Fiji: Structures for Development
Published in 2012
www.adb.org/publications/impact-stories-fiji-structures-development

Samoa: Building a More Resilient Economy
Published in 2010
www.adb.org/publications/samoa-building-more-resilient-economy

Handle With Care: Impact Stories from Fragile Situations
Published in 2010

Papua New Guinea: Building Solid Physical and Social Infrastructure
Published in 2009

Profiles of Progress: Papua New Guinea
Published in 2009

Pacific Impact Stories
Published in 2008
www.adb.org/publications/impact-stories-pacific
ECONOMY AND TRADE

Policy-Based Programs for the Pacific Islands
Published in 2012
www.adb.org/publications/policy-based-programs-pacific-islands

Taking the Helm: A Policy Brief on a Response to the Global Economic Crisis
Published in 2009

Published in 2009
www.adb.org/publications/what-works-better-policies-and-practices-better-pacific

Living with High Prices
Published in 2008
www.adb.org/publications/living-high-prices-policy-brief

Navigating the Global Storm
Published in 2008

Pacific Trade Issues
Published in 2008
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Trust Funds in the Pacific
Published in 2005
www.adb.org/publications/trust-funds-pacific-their-role-and-future

Remittances in the Pacific: An Overview
Published in 2005
www.adb.org/publications/remittances-pacific-overview

Pursuing Economic Reform in the Pacific
Published in 1999
www.adb.org/publications/pursuing-economic-reform-pacific

Reforms in the Pacific: An Assessment of the Asian Development Bank’s Assistance for Reform Programs in the Pacific
Published in 1999
Fisheries

Learning from Fisheries Centers in the Pacific
Published in 2010
www.adb.org/publications/learning-fisheries-centers-pacific-islands

Fisheries and Climate Change
Published in 2010

Fisheries and Fuel Prices
Published in 2010

Increasing Returns from Fisheries: Do’s and Don’ts for Policy Makers
Published in 2010
www.adb.org/publications/increasing-returns-fisheries-dos-and-donts-policy-makers

Fisheries in the Economies of the Pacific Island Countries and Territories
Published in 2010

Tuna for Tomorrow?
Published in 2008
available only in hard copy

While Stocks Last: The Live Reef Food Fish Trade
Published in 2003
www.adb.org/publications/while-stocks-last-live-reef-food-fish-trade

The Contribution of Fisheries to the Economies of Pacific Island Countries
Published in 2002
www.adb.org/publications/contribution-fisheries-economies-pacific-island-countries

Vanuatu: Policy Issues in the Fisheries and Forestry Sectors
Published in 2002
available only in hard copy
Tuna: A Key Economic Resource in the Pacific  
Published in 2001  
www.adb.org/publications/tuna-key-economic-resource-pacific

Vanuatu: Agriculture and Fisheries Sector Review 2000  
Published in 2001  

The Pacific’s Tuna: The Challenge of Investing in Growth  
Published in 1997  

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Strengthening Pacific Fragile States: The Marshall Islands Example  
Published in 2009  
www.adb.org/publications/strengthening-pacific-fragile-states-marshall-islands-example

Published in 2004  

Financial Management and Governance Issues in Papua New Guinea  
Published in 2000  

Diagnostic Study of Accounting and Auditing Practices in the Marshall Islands  
Published in 2002  

Diagnostic Study of Accounting and Auditing Practices in the Republic of the Fiji Islands  
Published in 2002  

Transparency to the People: Using Stakeholder Participation in the Public Sector Reform of Nauru and the Marshall Islands  
Published in 2010  
www.adb.org/publications/transparency-people-using-stakeholder-participation-support-public-sector-reform-nauru-
Information and Communication Technology

Information and Communication Technology for Development in the Pacific
Published in 2003
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Pacific Islands Economic Reports

Cook Islands 2008 Social and Economic Report: Equity in Development
Published in 2008

Cook Islands 2001 Economic Report: Policies for Progress
Published in 2002

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Published in 2000

Published in 2006

Published in 2001

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Published in 2005
Vanuatu Economic Report 2009: Accelerating Reform  
Published in 2009  

Vanuatu Economic Report 2009: Accelerating Reform (Executive Summary)  
French Version  
Published in 2009  

Published in 2001  

Vanuatu: Economic Performance, Policy and Reform Issues  
Published in 1997  
available only in hard copy

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The Political Economy of Economic Reform in the Pacific  
Published in 2012  
www.adb.org/publications/political-economy-economic-reform-pacific

State Performance and Capacity in the Pacific  
Published in 2010  

Kiribati’s Political Economy and Capacity Development  
Published in 2009  
www.adb.org/publications/kiribatis-political-economy-and-capacity-development

Sociocultural Issues and Economic Development in the Pacific Islands  
Published in 2006  
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A Different Kind of Voyage: Development and Dependence in the Pacific Islands  
Published in 1998  
Poverty

Priorities of the People: Hardship in Kiribati
Published in 2007
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Priorities of the People: Hardship in the Federated States of Micronesia
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Hardship and Poverty in the Pacific
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The Challenges of Doing Business in Papua New Guinea  
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Transforming Tonga: A Private Sector Assessment  
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Swimming Against the Tide? An Assessment of the Private Sector in the Pacific  
Published in 2004  
www.adb.org/publications/swimming-against-tide-assessment-private-sector-pacific

Business Development Services in the Pacific  
Published 2005  
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Published in 2001  

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Published in 2004

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Published in 2003
www.adb.org/documents/timor-leste-sixth-progress-report

Fifth Progress Report
Published in 2002

Fourth Progress Report on East Timor
Published in 2002
www.adb.org/documents/timor-leste-fourth-progress-report

Transport Sector Master Plan for East Timor
Published in 2002
www.adb.org/publications/transport-sector-master-plan-east-timor

Mid-Term Progress Report
Published in 2001

Second Progress Report on East Timor
Published in 2001

Trust Fund for East Timor: East Timor Rehabilitation and Development
Published in 2000
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Sustainable Health Care Financing in the Republic of Palau
Published in 2012

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Published in 2012

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Published in 2007

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