19th August 2010

Professor Louis Barrows  
University of Utah

SUBJECT: UPNG RESEARCH AGENDA WORKSHOP (9th – 10th September 2010)

Dear Professor Barrows,

The University of Papua New Guinea's Office for Research will be conducting a UPNG Research Agenda Workshop from the 9th and 10th of September 2010 at the Holiday Inn. I write to invite you to participate at this workshop.

The objectives of the Workshop are as follows:

1. To align the UPNG Research Agenda with the GoPNG's Vision 2050, the PNG Development Strategic Plan (DSP) 2030 including the PNG's 2nd Millennium Development Goals (MDGs),
2. To discuss ways in which the UPNG could re-develop a research culture so that teaching and learning is enhanced at the University and it is research-based.
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The tentative Workshop Programme is attached for your perusal. Please advise me at your earliest convenience of your availability.

Yours sincerely,

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Bot Lahi-Ako  
Deputy Dean – Research
UPNG RESEARCH AGENDA WORKSHOP

Holiday Inn, Port Moresby
Thursday 9th September – Friday 10th September 2010

THEME: BRINGING UNIVERSITY OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA RESEARCH TO THE FORE-FRONT

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THURSDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER 2010

08:00 Registration

Master of Ceremony: Mr. Boe Lahui-Ako, Deputy Dean - Research

09:00 Welcome/Opening of the Workshop

- Dean – Research, Professor Teatulohi Mtainaho
- Professor Ross Hynes, Vice-Chancellor
- Keynote Address – Honourable Michael Ogio, MP, Minister for Higher Education and Research Science and Technology
- Opening of the Workshop – Honourable Michael Ogio, MP, Minister for Higher Education and Research Science and Technology

Chairperson: Professor Alan Easton, Pro-Vice Chancellor

09:30 Presentations of the Vision 2050 and the PNG Development Strategic Plan 2030

- Department of Prime Minister & NEC
  - Mr. Bill Kua, MBE, Director General, Public Sector Reform Management Unit
- Department of National Planning & Monitoring
  - Mr. Joe Taia Kapa, First Assistant Secretary, Macro Planning Division
10:00  Morning Tea

Chairperson:  Professor John Luluaki, Executive Dean, SoL

10:15  Presentation on the Millennium Development Goals – An Overview
    •  Professor Chalapan Kaluwin

10:30  Basic Planning Approaches - Professor Kenneth Sumbuk, PVC – Academic and Development and Mr. Samuel Petau, Director - Planning

10:45  Overview of UPNG Research – Dean Research, Professor Teatulohi Mtainaho

11:00  Professor Louis Barrows – International Collaboration & Networking – University of Utah

11:15  Dr. William Tagis – OHE Research Science and Technology

Chairperson:  Professor Betty Lovai, Executive Dean, SHSS

11:30  5 Minutes Presentations by Directors of UPNG Research Centres
    • Melanesian Institute of Arts & Communication, Mr. Daniel Waswas
    • Melanesian & Pacific Studies, Dr. Bill Sagir
    • Motupore Island Research Centre, Dr. Augustine Mungkaje
    • Centre for Climate Change & Sustainable Development, Prof. Kaluwin

12:00  Lunch

Chairperson:  Professor Betty Lovai, Executive Dean, SHSS

1:00  5 Minutes Presentations by Directors of UPNG Research Centres
    • Centre for Disaster Reduction, Dr. Joe Espi
    • Centre for Medical Sciences Research, Dr. Andrew Masta
    • Centre for Human Rights, Training & Research, Dr. Eric Kwa
    • Centre for Biodiversity & Natural Products, Dr. Osia Gideon

Chairperson:  Professor Frank Griffin, Executive Dean, SNPS

1:30  Group Activity 1: To discuss ways in which the UPNG could re-develop a research culture so that teaching and learning is enhanced at the University and it is research-based.
    • Do Step 1 and Step 2 – Worksheet 1 and Worksheet 2

3:00  Afternoon Tea

3:15  Presentations of Group Discussions by Group Leaders

3:45  Plenary Discussion - Professor Betty Lovai, Professor Albert Mellam and Professor Abdul Mannan and Professor Sir Isi Kevau

4:15  End of Day 1