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PACIFIC INFRASTRUCTURE ROADSHOW

JUNE 2025



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BOARDROOM BRIEFING

Venue: Austrade Office, 80 Collins Street, Melbourne VIC 3000, Australia

Time (AEST)	Agenda
09:00 – 09:45	<p>Symal Michael Sterling, Chief Strategy Officer Symal Group Limited is a construction group focused on civil infrastructure, contracting, plant and equipment hire, material sales, recycling and remediation via a vertically integrated project delivery model. It provides provide an end-to-end civil construction solution with touchpoints across the entire construction project lifecycle under four brands.</p> <p>Symal does not have previous experience in the Pacific but flagged with Austrade in February 2025 that they are interested in exploring the opportunity.</p>
10:00 – 10:45	<p>Ventia Tim Ryan, Director of Business Development, Social Infrastructure Ventia Services Group Limited is an essential infrastructure services provider in Australia and New Zealand providing the services that keep infrastructure working for communities. It has access to a combined workforce of more than 35,000 people, operating in over 400 sites across Australia and New Zealand and operates across a range of industry segments, including defence, social infrastructure, water, electricity and gas, resources, telecommunications and transport.</p> <p>Ventia purchased consulting engineers ICD Asia Pacific to form Ventia Engineering Services (VES) in 2020. ICD had been active in the resources, infrastructure and oil & gas sectors. VES is part of the Link Alliance, delivering the City Rail Link in Auckland. Ventia previously delivered facilities management services to the Department of Home Affairs on Nauru and Manus.</p>
11:00 – 11:45	<p>DT Infrastructure James Elliot, Director, Strategy & Growth, Infrastructure & Transport DT Infrastructure specialised capabilities include the design and construction of light rail, heavy rail, signalling, track and station works, rail safety technology, bridges and roads. The road Infrastructure services include the complete design and construction of road earthworks, pavement construction, bridges and tunnels, and associated civil structures.</p> <p>DT Infrastructure was formerly the infrastructure arm of Downer Group before separating and being purchased by Malaysian company Gamuda Berhad. Neither have Pacific experience, though Gamuda is active in Southeast Asia. DT Infrastructure is contracted to Defence for major infrastructure projects in Australia. It also has experience with large road, rail, and renewables projects.</p>

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Acciona**Greg Cain**, Head of Major Projects and Origination**Jesse Levin**, Corporate Development & Strategy

Acciona is a global group that develops and manages sustainable infrastructure solutions, especially in renewable energy. Their business spans the entire value chain, from design and construction through to operation and maintenance. Acciona originated in Spain; the Australian arm commenced in 2002, focused on renewables development. It now has a broad-based infrastructure and construction capability via continuing expansion (it purchased Hornibrooks and Boulderstone). No evidence of Pacific experience beyond Australia. Acciona has flagged interest in projects above AU\$100m.

Participating Pacific Infrastructure Partners

Name	Designation	Participation
Brad Williams	General Manager, NZ Pacific, Australian Trade and Investment Commission	All
Tim Houghton	Trade Commissioner, Pacific, Australian Trade and Investment Commission	All
Sam Bunt	Australian Infrastructure Financing Facility for the Pacific, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade	Melbourne
Paul Wright	Director, Indo-Pacific Infrastructure Branch, Department of Defence	Melbourne, Sydney
Mohammad Amin Saskai	Senior Procurement Specialist, World Bank	All
Rubina Shaheen	Principal Procurement Specialist, Asian Development Bank	All

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AFTERNOON SEMINAR

Venue: ANZ Headquarters, 833 Collins St, Docklands VIC 3008, Australia

Time (AEST)	Agenda
13:30	Registrations open
13:50	<p>Introduction and Seminar Overview</p> <p>Brad Williams General Manager, NZ Pacific, Australian Trade and Investment Commission</p>
13:55	<p>ANZ role in the Pacific</p> <p>Rabih Yazbek ANZ Country Head Fiji</p>
14:05	<p>Remarks from the CEO, Australian Trade and Investment Commission</p> <p>Paul Grimes, CEO, Australian Trade and Investment Commission</p>
14:10	<p>Whole-of-Pacific Infrastructure Pipeline Summary</p> <p>Tim Houghton Trade Commissioner, Pacific, Australian Trade & Investment Commission</p> <p>Tim Houghton is the Australian Trade Commissioner for the Pacific based in Suva, Fiji. Tim will present on the \$1.9 billion whole-of-region infrastructure pipeline split across 566 upcoming contracts from ADB, World Bank, DFAT/AIFFP, EU/EIB and New Zealand. He will present a breakdown by sector, market and give a sense of what's coming up next.</p>
14:20	<p>Activity Overview: Australian Infrastructure Financing Facility for the Pacific</p> <p>Samuel Bunt, Director, Australian Infrastructure Financing Facility for the Pacific (AIFFP), Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade</p> <p>Sam Bunt leads the private sector portfolio within AIFFP's investment team. He has been with the AIFFP for over 5 years. Prior to AIFFP, he worked at a Big 4 accounting firm providing consulting services to public and private clients in Australia and Hong Kong. Sam will provide an overview of the AIFFP, its procurement framework, and pipeline.</p>

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Activity Overview: World Bank

Mohammad Amin Saskai Senior Procurement Specialist – World Bank

Amin is a Senior Procurement Specialist at the World Bank, based in Sydney. He leads procurement reform dialogue with Pacific Island countries and provides strategic advice and fiduciary support across a range of World Bank-financed projects.

Amin will speak about upcoming procurement opportunities and the World Bank's ongoing efforts to advance procurement reform in the region. His remarks will focus on how these reforms are driving improved outcomes, with an emphasis on enhancing quality, strengthening systems, and aligning with international best practices.

14:40

Activity Overview: Asian Development Bank

Rubina Shaheen Principal Procurement Specialist, Asian Development Bank

Rubina is Principal Procurement Specialist at Asian Development Bank located at ADB office in Papua New Guinea and covering South Pacific Region. She has diversified experience working in public procurement on various infrastructure projects including procurement reforms. Rubina will focus on ADB Procurement Framework and the upcoming ADB pipeline.

14:50

Activity Overview: Australian Department of Defence

Colonel Paul Wright Director, Indo-Pacific Infrastructure Branch, Department of Defence

Paul is currently posted as Director Infrastructure (Indo-Pacific West), Indo-Pacific Infrastructure Branch within Pacific Division, responsible for delivery and maintenance of security-related infrastructure for Indo-Pacific partner nations. Paul will be speaking about future Defence project opportunities across the Indo-Pacific.

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15:00	<p>Perspective of the Private Sector: Reeves International</p> <p>Simon Gorman Managing Director CCB Envico & Reeves International</p> <p>Simon is a construction professional who has managed projects across the world. He has significant experience in international disaster settings and complex emergencies as well as traditional large-scale infrastructure. He has spent time working on and leading projects in Indonesia, Hong Kong, Rwanda, Somalia, Vanuatu, Micronesia, the Solomon Islands, Sri Lanka and the Marshall Islands. Simon is currently the President of the Australia Pacific Islands Business Council (APIBC) and will talk about doing business in the Pacific from the perspective of a contractor.</p>
15:10	<p>Understanding Financing Support Available: Export Finance Australia</p> <p>Simon O’Connell Associate Director, Business Financing Export Finance Australia</p> <p>Simon has 20 years corporate and commercial banking specialising in working capital and cash flow lending. Banking experience at Westpac, NAB and Bank West. Specialising in assisting companies establish and grow their international market presence. Simon will highlight the role of Export Finance Australia and its capacity to support the private sector in capitalising on Pacific infrastructure opportunities.</p>
15:20	<p>Highlighting Upcoming Events</p> <p>Pacific Infrastructure Conference</p> <p>The Australia Pacific Islands Business Council is coordinating the upcoming Pacific Infrastructure Conference (18-20 August 2025). Attendees will include Pacific Islands governments, development partners and the private sector. This builds on the inaugural event in 2023 and the Business Opportunities Seminar in Nadi in 2024, both of which had 400-500 delegates.</p> <p>Looking Further in Infrastructure Opportunities: Southeast Asia</p> <p>Austrade Southeast Asia have prepared a pre-recorded video highlighting opportunities across the region. The key event for getting more information on these opportunities is to register for the ADB Business Opportunities Fair held in Manila (16-17 September 2025).</p>
15:25	Q&A
15:45	Close
15:45 – 17:30	Networking afternoon tea

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