



RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT AND HUMAN WELL-BEING IN PAPUA NEW GUINEA

ISSUES IN THE MEASUREMENT OF PROGRESS

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The recent publication of Papua New Guinea's second National Human Development Report, *From Wealth to Wellbeing: Translating Resource Revenue into Sustainable Human Development*, poses two problems of measurement.

The first problem has to do with the national government's measurement of progress made in the achievement of 'sustainable human development', especially the collection and interpretation of national data for the numerous indicators currently associated with the Millennium Development Goals.

The second problem has to do with the way that companies responsible for the operation of major resource projects measure their own contribution to 'sustainable human development' in the areas directly affected by their operations.

These two problems have often been considered in isolation from each other.

This conference aims to investigate the relationship between these two problems, considered as practical problems of data collection and interpretation, in order to inform of the development of better policies and guidelines for the measurement of human well-being or sustainable human development, at different geographical scales or different levels of political organisation, by all interested parties.

Speakers include:

Dr Glenn Banks, author, National Human Development Report

Mr Gereia Aopi, President, PNG Chamber of Mines and Petroleum

Dr Jane Thomason, leading expert on public-private partnerships in PNG's health sector

Prof. Glen Mola, leading expert on the measurement of maternal mortality rates in PNG

Dr Bryant Allen, leading expert on the assessment of food security and rural poverty in PNG

Mr Philip Samar, Managing Director, Mineral Resources Authority

Dr Su Phuanukoannon, leading expert on PNG's current TB crisis

Dr Lohi Maitanaho, Head, Office of Science, Research and Technology

Conference Program *

Tuesday 17 March

Alternative ways to think about human well-being or development

Issues with indicators and data for the MDGs

The state of health and demographic indicators in PNG

Wednesday 18 March

IM4DC Alumni Breakfast

Measuring development outcomes in resource project impact areas

Group discussions and Plenary discussion

Thursday 19 March

Integration of teaching, policy and practice in the measurement of development

The politics of statistics in Papua New Guinea

* Full program to be released prior to the conference

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