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1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY



MR LUCAS ALKAN, Head of PNG Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative

The implementation of EITI in Papua New Guinea continues to gain momentum with the publication of the third and fourth PNGEITI Reports covering fiscal years 2015 and 2016. Leading to such publication, the PNGEITI Multi-Stakeholder Group's activities focused on achieving maximum participation from all material reporting companies and relevant government reporting entities to determine what information should be included in the report.

This Annual Progress Report covers PNGEITI activities undertaken from July 2017 to June 2018 and is consistent with requirement 8.4 of the EITI International Standard. Subsequently the Financial Report remains consistent with PNG Government budget cycle reported from January 01st 2017- December 31st 2017.

Work is being undertaken to draft the PNGEITI National Policy and Legislation. The MSG appointed Adam Smith International to

undertake this assignment. A desktop review by the consultant will commence early July for this work.

Implementation of the Beneficial Ownership Roadmap is also progressing well. From a total of 33 milestones listed in the BO Roadmap, 18 milestones have been implemented by KPMG, the Roadmap Implementation Manager (RIM). The MSG will review the performance after the RIM has delivered 23 milestones before moving onto the next phase. The project is set to end in December 2019 and reporting of beneficial ownership details will follow in 2020.

The Subnational Payments and Transfers Scoping Study is also progressing well with the Australian Government support through the Pacific Governance Facility (PGF). The scoping team covered three out of four case studies at the time of writing this report and will deliver a report that will guide future reporting at the sub-provincial level. The National Secretariat is glad to work alongside the PGF engaged consultant for a comprehensive study report that is expected before the year ends.

PNGEITI communications programs have yielded significant results in 2017, indicative of its use to frame discussions and debate at various levels. Outreach activities conducted have succeeded in stimulating dialogue and collaboration between various local civil societies and the Government on how to address pertinent issues relating to various stages of project value-chain. The EITI National Secretariat maintains a neutral position on various sensitive issues at the public domain. This is despite indiscriminate use of the report findings by various audiences, both domestically and internationally. Although EITI Reports can be credited as catalysing debate and highlighting issues affecting extractive sector in the country, a lot of these are largely owed to the widespread civil debate regarding PNG's political and administrative issues on the PNG Economy. PNG has a highly engaging social media environment that provides a platform for informed debates amongst citizens, opinion leaders and legislators. It is interesting to note that the PNGEITI Reports are increasingly used as preferred source of research and debates.

The EITI process continues to be a platform for dialogue related to the extractive industries. It has also continued to be a valuable mechanism by which gaps in existing government systems are identified, and recommendations of stakeholders are elevated by policy makers to improve the governance of the sector in the country.

The PNGEITI objectives remain consistent with National Government priorities:

i. Increased transparency of revenue flows from the companies to government, various landowners' trust funds, associations, and the provincial governments.

- ii. Use EITI as a diagnostic tool to assess government's management of resource revenue and its policy settings with recommendations to be used as a platform for broader reforms.
- iii. Provide reliable data for citizens to stimulate debate and hold government and companies accountable.
- iv. Increase investors' confidence to invest in PNG.
- v. Provide a forum for enhancing dialogue between the government, industry, landowners and citizens.
- vi. Support and complement PNG's Sovereign Wealth Fund (SWF) and government reforms to fight corruption such as the establishment of the Independent Commission against Corruption (ICAC).

These forms the basis of the PNGEITI Work Plan that outlines activities to achieve the agreed objectives.

LUCAS ALKAN

Head of PNGEITI National Secretariat

2. GENERAL ASSESSMENT OF YEAR'S PERFORMANCE

The general assessment of the PNGEITI calendar covers four areas of operations in the Work Plan in; Procurement, Communications, Policy, Finance and Administration.

2.1 PNGEITI Multi-Stakeholder Group

Table 1: Summary of PNGEITI Chairs' to the Multi-Stakeholder Group

Year	Treasurer as Chair of PNG EIT MSG
2012 -2014	Hon. Don Pomb Polye
2014- 2016	Hon Patrick Pruaitch
2017- Present	Hon Charles Abel

2.2 PNGEITI Milestones

The PNGEITI has achieved a number of key milestones since its inception. It now has increased focus on policy implementation of key recommendations in the EITI Country Reports.

Table 2: Summary of PNGEITI Milestones since inception

Year	Milestone achieved
2012	Informal PNGEITI Multi-Stakeholder Group formed
	Government announces commitment to join EITI
2013	NEC Decision 90/2013 endorsed the implementation of the EITI Standard
2015	MSG formalised
	PNG candidature application submitted to EITI International Secretariat
2014	PNG becomes an EITI candidate country
2015	PNGEITI National Secretariat Office established
2016	First PNG EITI Report for FY 2013 published
2017	Second PNG EITI Report for FY 2014 published
2017	Third and Fourth PNG EITI Reports for FY 2015 and FY 2016 published
2017	NEC Policy Decision 91/2017 directed implementation of 2013 Report recommendation by
2017	the responsible entities of Government
2018	PNGEITI compliance assessment and Validation by EITI International Secretariat

2.3 PNGEITI Funding

The PNGEITI receives its funding from the National Government Budget. Table 1: PNGEITI National Budget progressive allocation.

Year	Actual budget		Amou	ınt Spent	Amount carried over					
2015	PGK	1,741,100.00	PGK	141,322.09	PGK	1,599,777.90				
2016	PGK	1,700,000.00	PGK	2,027,238.50	PGK	327,238.50				
2017	PGK	4,600,000.00	PGK	2,688,228.84	PGK	1,911,771.16				
Total	PGK	8,041,100.00	PGK	4,856,789.43	PGK	3,184,310.56				

2.4 PNGEITI Procurement

2.4.1 Launching of the 2015 and 2016 EITI Reports

The PNGEITI MSG has produced four (4) EITI Country Reports for financial years 2013- 2016. The Reports progressively cover eight (8) mining companies, four (4) oil & gas companies, four (4) State owned entities and eight (8) government departments. The fiscal year reports cover over nineteen (19) Revenue streams; nine (9) of which are reconciled; nine (9) unilaterally declared, and only one (1) partially declared in the 2016 Report.



Figure 1: After launching from left: Mr Lawrence Stephens (Chairman TIPNG), Mr Hohore Suve (CEO National Economic and Fiscal Commission), Ms Betty Palaso (Commissioner General, Internal Revenue Commission), Mr Andrew Barry (Managing Director, ExxonMobil PNG) Hon Charles Abel (Deputy Prime Minister and Government Treasurer), Mr Lucas Alkan (PNGEITI Head of National Secretariat), Hon Wera Mori (Minister for Commerce and Trade), Mr Richard Kassman (Vice President of PNG Chamber of Mines and Petroleum) Ms. Patricia Veevers-Carter, (PNG Country Manager World Bank) Mr Takashi Toyama (JICA Chief Representative in PNG) and Mr Paul Barker (Executive Director of the Institute of National Affairs).

The PNG EITI Reports covering fiscal years 2015 and 2016 were launched on Friday 16 March by Deputy Prime Minister, Treasurer and Chairman of the PNGEITI MSG Charles Abel. During the launch, the Treasurer reiterated the Government's commitment to ensure that revenues generated from the country's mineral and petroleum resources reflect Government's development plans and visions aimed at translating resource wealth into broad-based economic growth in non-resource sectors. The two EITI reports list nine reporting entities from the mining sector and seven entities from the oil and gas sector. It also lists seven SOEs and eight relevant government departments that received these payments in the same financial year. The revenue streams covered in the reports include; equity distributions; production levy; dividends; and development levy; mining and petroleum tax; group tax and royalties. Mr Abel acknowledged current and previous governments for their commitment to the EITI. He reiterated the various applications of the EITI reports that allow the GoPNG to address various issues related to overall governance of the sector.

Table 4: Summary of PNGEITI Report Launching

EITI Report	Launched Date	Venue	Launch Delegate					
2013	30/05/2016	State Function Room	Prime Minister Hon. Peter O'Neil					
2014	17/05/2017	Press Statement	Lucas Alkan, Head of PNGEITI National Secretariat					
2015 & 2016	16/03/2018	State Function Room	Hon Charles Abel DPM, MP					

2.4.2 Production of the 2015 and 2016 EITI Reports

Table 5: Summary of Financial Years 2015 & 2016 PNGEITI Reports contract payments

EITI Reports	Year produced	Project Cost	Cost overshot	Independent Administrator
2016	2017	K498, 000.00	K0.00	Ernst and Young
2015	2017	K498, 000.00	K0.00	Ernst and Young
2014	4 2016		K49, 800.00	Ernst and Young
2013	2015	K498, 000.00	K49, 800.00	Ernst and Young

The PNGEITI MSG engaged Ernst & Young as the Independent Administrator (IA) to prepare the PNGEITI 2015 & 2016 reports in 2017. Two separate service contracts were signed between the National Secretariat and Ernst & Young on the 9 June 2017 agreeing on the terms and conditions of the contracts. The contracts pricing were agreed at K498, 000.00 for each report. The total payment was not to exceed the contract price set forth in the special conditions of the contracts and was made in installments against deliverable phases specified in the contract milestone.

The first payment(s) equivalent to 20% (PGK99, 600.00) of the contracts price was paid after submission of the scoping study report. The second payments equivalent to 20% (PGK99, 600.00) of the contract price was paid to the Consultant after



Figure 2: PNGEITI Reports for FY 2015 and FY 2016

the submission of the inception reports. The third payments equivalent to 40% (PGK199, 200.00) of the contracts price was paid to the Consultant after delivery of the draft reports; the fourth payments equivalent to 20% (PGK99, 600.00) of the contract price was paid to the Consultant after the MSG's approval and publication of the PNGEITI Reports. The project was undertaken within seven months (June – December, 2017). The total of all instalments paid did not exceed the contracts prices agreed in the special conditions of the contracts. In the event of any overruns in fees due to extended delays arising from unforeseen circumstances, such overruns did not exceed 10% of the total contracts prices, exclusive of GST. The overruns were caped under 10% of the total contracts prices.

PNGEITI 2015 & 2016 Reports Procurement Milestones in 2017

Table 2: Timeline schedule outlining the production of the 2015 and 2016 reports.

Time	Contract Milestone
April 2017	PNG-EITI MSG called for EOI
May 2017	MSG assessment; selection and endorsement of successful IA
June 2017	Contract executed
July 2017	Scoping and Inception report finalized and endorsed by PNG-EITI MSG
October 2017	Initial reconciliation report delivered to PNG-EITI MSG
November 2017	1 st draft EITI reports delivered to PNG-EITI MSG
November 2017	Revised draft EITI reports delivered to PNG-EITI MSG
December 2017	Final EITI reports delivered to PNG-EITI MSG
December 2017	Reports approved and endorsed by PNG-EITI MSG for publication

2.4.3 Implementation of Beneficial Ownership Disclosure Plans

Implementation of the Beneficial Ownership Roadmap is progressing and KPMG, the Roadmap Implementation Manager (RIM) has delivered 15 milestones out of the 33 milestones listed in the Roadmap. The MSG will review the RIM's performance after it has delivered 23 milestones before moving onto the next phase of

implementation. The project is set to end in December 2019 and reporting of beneficial ownership details in the EITI reports is set to begin in 2020.

The project objectives are to:

- (i) Develop National Priorities which contain a clear link with EITI principles and beneficial ownership disclosure:
- (ii) Mitigate the risk of financial misconduct (e.g. transfer pricing and tax evasion); and
- (iii) Improve PNG's investment climate.

Beneficial Ownership project work plan showing Project Milestone 1-33

Figure 3: PNGEITI Beneficial Ownership project work plan showing milestone 1- 33 and progress made to date

Quarter	Roadmap Associated Action/Tasks														Total																		
Q2 2017	1	3		5	6						12				16	17		19					24	25	26								88577
Q3 2017	1 2	2 3		5	6						12	13			16	17		19	20				24	25	26	27	28	29					173144
Q4 2017	1 2	2 3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		12	13	14		16	17		19	20	21	22		24	25	26	27	28	29	30				231811
2017 Costing Estimate														493532																			
Q1 2018	1 2	2 3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10			13	14		16				20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31			240411
Q2 2018	1 2	2 3	4	5	6								14		16		18		20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29			32		233561
Q3 2018	1 2	2 3	4	5	6					11			14	15			18		20	21	22	23	24				28				32		237411
Q4 2018	2	2 3	4	5						11				15			18		20	21	22	23	24				28					33	163849
2018 Cost	ting	Es	tim	ate	è																												875231
Q1 2019		3	4	5						11				15			18				22											33	112147
Q2 2019			4							11																						33	40147
Q3 2019			4							11																						33	40147
Q4 2019			4							11																						33	40147
2019 Cost	ting	Es	tim	ate	9																												232587

Table 7: BO Procurement Milestones and Contract Payments in 2017

KPMG 2016 - First Report										
Phase/Milestones	Instalments (K)	Percentage to pay								
Inception report, payment 1 of contract price	62,898.00	20%								
Scoping study Report, payment 2	94,347.00	30%								
Draft EITI BO Roadmap Report, payment 3	94,347.00	30%								
Final EITI BO Roadmap Report, payment 4	62,898.00	20%								
TOTAL CONTRACT PRICE (EXCL GST)	314,490.00	100%								
AS PER THE	CONTRACT									
Phase/Milestones	Instalments (K)	Activities								
Milestone # 1	26,842.11	17								
Milestone # 2	39,473.68	25								
Milestone # 3	22,105.26	14								
Milestone # 4	25,263.16	9								
Milestones # 5 & 6	47,368.42	10 & 6								
Milestones # 7 & 8	30,000.00	16 & 24								
Milestones # 9, 10 & 11	55,263.16	21, 8 & 2								
Milestones # 12 & 13	15,789.47	6 & 4								
Milestones # 14 & 15	45,789.48	9 & 20								
TOTAL CONTRACT PRICE (EXCL GST)	113,684.21									

Papua New Guinea EITI Beneficial Ownership Roadmap's consideration of the links between Beneficial Ownership and National Reform priorities are that Beneficial Ownership (BO) is not specifically contained in

PNG's national priorities; however, there are development goals in the resource extractive industry that indirectly relate to BO. These development goals are integrated through the development strategies. Ownership of legal entities is enshrined in law through the Companies Act 2014 as regulated and governed by the Investment Promotion Authority (IPA)

Ownership of mining and petroleum licenses is enshrined in law through the Mining Act 1992 and Oil and Gas Act 1998 as regulated by Mineral Resources Authority (MRA) and Department of Petroleum & Energy (DPE) respectively.

2.4.2 Subnational Payments Scoping Study

The Subnational Payments and Transfers Scoping Study is progressing well with the Australian Government support through the Pacific Governance Facility (PGF). The scoping team has covered two out of their four case studies at the time of writing this report and are scheduled to deliver the final scoping report to the MSG in October 2018. The first case study looked at Ok Tedi Mining Limited and its stakeholders and included extensive discussions with direct beneficiaries of mine derived payments through the Fly River Provincial Government and landowner companies and groups. The second case study was based on Newcrest Mining Limited Lihir operations and its various shareholders. Newcrest Lihir operations was selected as a case study due to its complex financial and contract regimes.



Figure 4: Participants at the New Ireland PNGEITI/ PILG Workshop Governance, Transparency and Reporting in the Mining Sector' in May.

The report will guide future EITI reporting at the sub-provincial level. The key objectives of the study are to:

- i. Understand and document stakeholder views on enhanced subnational reporting through PNGEITI.
- ii. Identify and map the subnational payments and transfers in PNG's extractives sector.
- iii. Develop a reporting framework that could be used for PNGEITI subnational reporting.
- iv. Populate the reporting framework with case study examples.
- v. Identify strengths in the subnational reporting system, challenges for improving subnational reporting, and a high-level roadmap for implementing subnational reporting through the PNGEITI.

Figure 5: Progressive summary of Subnational Scoping Study consultations conducted in early 2018

Stream	Activity	Start Date	End Date	Status
	Ok Tedi Western Province	18/02/2018	25/02/2018	Complete
Studies	New Ireland Study	14/05/2018	20/05/2018	Complete
Studies	Exxon Mobil POM and SHP	3/06/2018	10/06/2018	Progressing
	Woodlark Island	2/07/2018	9/07/2018	Progressing
Morkshons	New Ireland Workshop	16/05/2018	18/05/2018	Complete
Workshops	West Sepik Workshop	12/07/2018	19/07/2018	Progressing
	PNG Update	14/06/2018	16/06/2018	Progressing
	Chamber Conference	TBA	TBA	Progressing
Outputs	First Draft Report to MSG	19/08/2018	2/09/2018	Progressing
	Second Draft Report to MSG	15/09/2018	29/09/2018	Progressing
	Final Report to MSG	14/10/2018	-	Progressing

The 2016 EITI Standard requires that EITI implementing countries report material subnational payments and transfers. This includes reporting of material payments from extractive companies to subnational government entities (EITI Requirement 4.6), as well as the reporting of material transfers of extractive revenues between national and subnational levels of governments (Requirement 5.2). In the same way that the EITI is implemented at the national level, subnational reporting will also have the same objective of ensuring that local stakeholders have access to relevant information on extractive payments.

The issue of subnational payments is particularly important in PNG: local landowners, affected communities and provincial and local governments receive a broad range of payments and transfers including; royalties, land rentals, community development and investment funds, Special Support Grants, to name a few. Systematic reporting of material subnational payments and transfers through the PNGEITI is an important step to further improve transparency and accountability for the extractive sector.

However, there are a few reasons why EITI implementation at the subnational level in PNG may prove challenging. First, there are different agreements and obligations in place for the extractive projects and each of these have different revenue streams and payment structures. Second, there are differing levels of capacity in place for subnational reporting in provinces where extractive activities take place.

Accordingly, the framework for EITI subnational implementation in PNG must be adaptable enough to accommodate different projects and provincial contexts. The agreed-upon framework for subnational reporting must also take into account key issues such as confidentiality and the practicalities of data collection and reporting.

2.5 PNGEITI Communications Program

PNGEITI communications programs have yielded significant results in 2017, indicative of the PNGEITI Reports use in framing discussions and debates at various levels across multiple information platforms. The EITI National Secretariat maintains a neutral position on sensitive issues raised at the public domain despite indiscriminate use of the report findings by a number of audiences. Although EITI Reports can be credited as catalysing debate related to fiscal policy and economic management issues in the country, a lot of these largely owed to the current civil debate regarding PNG's political activities and economic management. PNG has a highly engaging social media environment that provides a platform that stimulates debate amongst various demographics and specific target groups such as opinion leaders, policy makers and legislators. The PNGEITI Reports are increasingly becoming the preferred reference source of information.

The PNGEITI Communications program is guided by the MSG approved Communications Strategy that was endorsed at the PNGEITI MSG Meeting 02/2016 dated Friday 08th July 2016. The Strategy guides communication activities in the overall PNGEITI National Work plan. There are three phased goals that provide strategic guidance for EITI mainstreaming in the sector.

The ultimate vision of the PNGEITI Communications Program is to institutionalise EITI Standards to all PNG National and subnational entities through legislation, policy, communication, information technology and mainstream education.

The goals of integrating and institutionalising the PNGEITI will be carried out in three phases as indicative of the table below.

Figure 6: The Communications Strategic goals aimed at institutionalising the PNGEITI

Goal	Objective		
Short Term	 Sensitisation through awareness Roadshows and workshops to targeted groups. 		
Medium Term	Consultation on Legislation, Policy, Online services Media & Education		
Long Term	 Implementation of Policy and Legislation and integration into government systems. Implementation of education curriculum in schools and higher learning institutions. Online web portal for streamlining EITI reporting and dissemination of reports findings 		

Assessment of Communications Strategic goals aimed at institutionalising the PNGEITI

Goal	Objective	Progress in outputs
		Conducted over 25 roadshows and regional and provincial outreaches and presentations since 2015 to promote the PNGEITI Reports
Short Term	Sensitisation through awareness Roadshows and workshops to targeted groups.	Affiliated members and active partners of the PNG Chamber of Mines and Petroleum (PNGCMP), Transparency International (TIPNG), Chartered Practising Accountants of PNG (CPA PNG) as well as active participants in various political, academia, development forums and workshops.
	Consultation on Legislation, Policy	There is increased participation in the PNGEITI Multi-Stakeholder Group with a total of 31 meetings since signing of the PNGEITI MSG MoU in 2013. The current PNGEITI MSG representative (since 2013) is at 28 members and includes voting members from government, industry, CSOs, SoEs and non-voting and observers such as development partners and other interest groups.
Medium Term	Online services through website and social media platform.	Progressive work is being carried out with an EITI website consultant engaged through contractual arrangements and is redesigning the website to include a data portal for presentation of EITI data.
	Media & Education	The National Secretariat has a positive relationship with media stakeholders since 2014 and engages with the mainstream media on a regular basis. The PNGEITI MSG is conducting media and outreach campaigns to promote the studies into beneficial ownership disclosure and subnational payments reporting in future EITI reports. Developing PNGEITI National Policy and Legislation in 2018 will be undertaken in 2018.
Long Term	Implementation of Policy and Legislation and integration into government systems. Implementation of education curriculum in schools and higher learning institutions. Online web portal for streamlining EITI reporting and dissemination of reports findings	Progressive

Table 3: Qualitative assessment of perception trends against the PNGEITI Communications Strategy

2.5.1 Outreach Activities



Figure 5: Head of PNGEITI National Secretariat Mr Lucas Alkan officiating the closing of the Wewak Workshop

The PNGEITI National Secretariat in partnership with the World Bank engaged the Institute of National Affairs (INA) and the Consultative Implementation and Monitoring Council (CIMC) as the lead implementing agencies of a series of subnational capacity building workshops. The workshops were held between October and November 2017 in Lae, Kavieng and Wewak and were facilitated by the PNG Resource Governance Coalition (PNGRGC). The objectives of the workshops were to; firstly sensitize provincial government officials about EITI reporting requirements; secondly, sensitize civil society leaders about the EITI process and how civil society could leverage EITI data to improve governance and service delivery at the subnational level; and lastly establish provincial focal points for EITI CSO representation.

Presentations were made by the Mineral Resources Authority, the PNGEITI National Secretariat and Consultative Implementation and Monitoring Council facilitated by the PNG Resource Governance Coalition. All sessions were facilitated by the PNG Resource Governance Coalition, except for Lae, the workshops were run for three days. Day one of the workshop was exclusively for government officials whilst Days two and three were exclusively for civil society leaders. The workshops were well attended by both government and civil society leaders.



Figure 6 New Ireland Governor and former PNG Prime Minister, Sir Julius Chan opening the workshop in Kavieng.

Government participation involved senior administration officials. In Kavieng, the workshop was opened by New Ireland Governor and former PNG Prime Minister, Sir Julius Chan. In Wewak, the Deputy Administrator of East Sepik Province opened the workshop witnessed by a delegate from the Office of the Governor. Civil society participation involved prominent provincial activists and community leaders. In Kavieng, (where women own the land), landowners from Lihir Gold Mine attended the workshop. In Lae, the President of the Union of Watut River Communities attended the Workshop. In Wewak leading community figures including heads of civil society organizations were in attendance.

PNGEITI and Civil Society outreach phases

Outreach Strategy	Objective	Trends
Phase 1 - Sensitisation	Information and Sensitisation of Provincial and Regional target groups through awareness roadshows and workshops to targeted groups.	The PNGRGC in collaboration with EITI conducted over 25 roadshows and workshops around the country since 2015. The targeted audiences included activists, lobbyists, provincial and local level governments and industries. General awareness has proven effective and feedback from participants indicate a strong focus on transparency and accountability in individual projects in respective localities. Participants have indicated comprehension of the EITI model however they queried how they could participate in the EITI process in the long term.
Phase 2 - Consultation	Participatory workshops on strengthening and building civil society capacity to participate in the EITI process.	PNGRGC has been taking the lead since 2015 to network with CSO at provincial level. Interest remains high, however funding constraints limit the scope of networking. So far the coalition has succeeded in garnering support from interest groups in the four regions with particular emphasis on local land owner groups. This phase of outreach is more collaborative in focus.
Phase 3- Mainstreaming	Mainstreaming and Institutionalising of EITI at various stakeholder operations at the provincial and regional levels.	Progressing

Table 4 PNGEITI Outreach Strategy and trends

PNGEITI Outreach activities for FY 2017

Dates	Year	Outreach Activity	Location	Туре	Sponsor
March	2017	PGF Workshop	Port Moresby	Workshop	PGF
March	2017	CIMC Regional Forum- Jiwaka	Jiwaka	Presentation	CIMC
April	2017	CIMC Regional Forum- Wewak	Wewak	Presentation	CIMC
May	2017	CIMC Regional Forum- Kimbe	Kimbe	Presentation	CIMC
May	2017	CIMC Regional Forum- Alotau	Alotau	Presentation	CIMC
May	2017	CEPA Presentation	Port Moresby	Presentation	PNGEITI
June	2017	CIMC National Development Forum - Port Moresby	Port Moresby	Presentation	CIMC
July	2017	PNG CPA Presentation	Port Moresby	Presentation	СРА
August	2017	MADANG Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative Workshop - engaging civil society in the EITI process	Madang	Workshop	CIMC
September			Participant	UNDP	
Ostobou	2017	EITI Validation Workshop	Port Moresby	Workshop	PNGEITI
October	2017	World Bank EITI Sponsored Workshop - Morobe	Lae, Morobe	Workshop	UNDP
	2017	World Bank EITI Sponsored Workshop- New Ireland	Kavieng- NIP	Workshop	UNDP
November		Chartered Practising Accountants PNG Conference	Port Moresby	Exhibition	PNGEITI
		PNG Chamber of Mines and Petroleum Conference	Port Moresby	Exhibition	PNGCMP
December	2017	World Bank EITI Sponsored Workshop Review	Port Moresby	Workshop	WB
December	2017	PNGEITI Media Workshop	Port Moresby	Workshop	PNGEITI
February	2018	PGF- PNGEITI	Tabubil / Kiunga Western Province	Consultation	PGF
A!I	2018	TIPNG National Exhibition	Goroka	Outreach	PNGEITI
April	2018	DNPM- ITCS Stakeholders Review Workshop	Port Moresby	Presentation	DNPM
May	2018	PGF- EITI Capacity Building Workshop Kavieng, NIP Workshop		Workshop	PGF
lum a	2010	CPA New Guinea Islands Forum	Kokopo, ENB	Conference	PNGEITI
June	2018	TIPNG Walk against Corruption	Port Moresby, NCD	Exhibition	PNGEITI

Table 5 Summary of 2017 PNGEITI outreach activities

PNGEITI 2017 generic outreach curriculum and lesson plan for PNGEITI outreach workshops

Chapter	Theme	Lesson	Objectives	
	Introduction	About the EITI	Audience must understand the origins and value of the	
1		Implementation in PNG	Global and the EITI Standard and how it is implemented in PNG	
	Davis and Charles and Davis ation	Revenue Streams	Participants must define Materiality, understand	
2	Revenue Streams and Reporting Entities	Materiality	mandatory revenue streams and explain on entities that	
	Entitles	Reporting Entities	report on this revenue through legislation.	
		About PNG		
		PNG economic overview for 2014		
		Post-2014 developments and projections		
	Contributions of the Extractive	Impact of the extractive industries	Audience must understand how the mining and	
3	Industries to the Economy	Contribution to government revenue	petroleum sector contributes to the PNG economy and	
	industries to the Economy	Exports	relevant contextual information on the extractive sector.	
		Employment		
		Commentary on the contribution of the extractives sector to the economy		
		National governance structures		
		Ownership of subsoil assets		
		Taxation		
		Regulation of the mining industry		
		Regulation of the petroleum industry		
4	Legal Framework and Fiscal	Resource development agreements	Audience must understand the legal framework and fiscal	
4	Regimes	State's equity participation right	regime governing the PNG mining and petroleum sector	
		Other stakeholder equity participation rights		
		Changes to the taxation system		
		Government policy on disclosure of contracts		
		Disclosure of beneficial ownership		
		Relevant legislation and agreements		
5	Budget process			

		How extractive industry revenues are recorded	Audience must understand the management and	
	Management and distribution of revenues	Sub-national payments and transfers	distribution of revenues from the mining and petroleum	
revenues		Auditing of the public accounts	sector	
		Mandatory social expenditure		
		Discretionary social expenditure		
6	Social Expenditure	Use of tax infrastructure credits	Audience must understand how social expenditure takes	
O	Social Experiulture	Quasi-fiscal expenditure	place in the PNG mining and petroleum sector	
		Mandatory and discretionary social expenditure reported for the 2014 reporting period		
		Overview of mining operations in 2014		
		Mines operating in 2014		
		New mining projects		
		Mining production data		
7	Mining	Regulation of the mining sector	Audience must understand how the mining industry operates in PNG	
,		Register of tenements		
		Allocation of tenements		
		Community benefits		
		Royalties		
		Public Investment Program		
		Overview of producing operations in 2014		
		Beneficial owners of oil and gas projects		
		New oil and gas projects		
		Oil and gas production data	Audience must understand how the petroleum industry	
8	Oil and Gas	Regulation of the oil and gas sector	operates in PNG	
		Register of licences	operates in the	
		Allocation of licences		
		Royalties		
		Development levy		
		The Independent Public Business Corporation	Audience must know and understand SoEs in PNG and	
9	State Owned Enterprises	National Petroleum Company of Papua New Guinea	their role in the reporting process	
		Petromin		

		Ok Tedi Mining Limited	
		Mineral Resources Development Company	
10	Reconciliation of Revenue Streams	The reporting process	Audience must interpret, understand and communicate financial data contained in the report
11	Findings and Recommendations	Progress against key 2013 report findings	Audience must understand the challenges of regulating the industry and participate in reform projects contained in the report

Table 6: 2017 Generic Outreach Curriculum and Lesson Plan & Outcomes for PNGEITI target audiences

2.5.2 2017 National & Regional Development Forum Recommendations for the Extractive Sector Governance

The PNGEITI campaigned through presentations at the CIMC Development Forums in 2017 and have been successful in getting the recommendations through the CIMC National Development Forums to the Department of National Planning and Monitoring. The Development Forums are a key platform that brings together Government, Industry and the Civil Society organisations to discuss and improve on certain areas of governance through policy and legislative reforms. For example, one of the key recommendations (Recommendation 5.6) from the 2017 National Development Forum was for the Government to review the Infrastructure Tax Credit Scheme (ITCS). The Department of National Planning and Monitoring conducted a workshop on the ITCS on Wednesday 25th of April in Port Moresby. The objective of the workshop was to review the process of awarding ITCS projects and to inform developers the EITI Standard and reporting protocols.

The Head of PNGEITI National Secretariat Lucas Alkan presented the findings of the PNGEITI Report and its recommendations. He reiterated that although the ITCS is a vital Public Private Partnership (PPP) development model, the opaque nature of the scheme had to be addressed by reviewing the processes involved in awarding infrastructure tax credits to companies.

Table 12: Progressive Forum Recommendations from CIMC to Department of Planning and Monitoring in Relation to the Extractive Industries

Transparency Initiative

Year	No.	Progressive Forum Recommendations from CIMC to the Department of National Planning and Monitoring (DNPM)	Progressive Implementation
2015	1.3	That Government Develops a policy to ensure resources are owned by the people. Policy to ensure protection of this arrangement with careful management by the government and for government to report back to the people regularly on this. This covers investments on land, forest, environment, water, minerals and others on behalf of the State	
2015	2.3	That Government channel LNG proceeds towards agricultural programs; especially to support properly defined subsidies;	
2017	5.1	That the EITI be secured by policy and legislation and that the Department of Petroleum and Energy be capacitated to effectively manage the affairs of the sector including landowner benefits;	
2017	5.2	That the Mining Act be reviewed to include provisions for Sea Bed Mining;	
2017	5.3	That EITI produces a set of criteria on transparency and accountability for Nautilus Minerals and other mining companies to take culture, communities and the environment into consideration before underwater mining;	
2017	5.4	That Government develops a National Content Plan Framework and creates standard template that can be used by landowners for effective negotiation for resource extraction and use of land;	

2017	5.5	That Government provides an independent oversight mechanism for the Sovereign Wealth Fund so that funds in the account are spent on infrastructure development and socioeconomic services through the National Budget as outlined in the Organic Law on the Sovereign Wealth Fund 2012;	
2017	5.6	That processes used by the Government to fund projects through the Infrastructure Tax Credit Scheme (ITCS) be reviewed and to ensure that primary beneficiaries affected by resource extraction gain meaningful benefit before other provinces.	

2.5.3 Media Reports

PNGEITI values the role of the PNG mass media in disseminating the findings of the PNGEITI Reports. The National Secretariat and MSG have had positive relationships with media group participating in the recent PNGEITI Pre-Validation Consultations. The PNGEITI MSG has a close working, and mutually beneficially relationship with media partners and regards the group as an important stakeholder in the implementation of the EITI Standard in the country since 2013.



Figure 7: Alex Gordy (EITI International) and Lucas Alkan (PNGEITI) with members of the PNG Media.

The PNGEITI National Secretariat engages with 4 local newspapers, 3 National television stations, 4 major radio stations and 5 online news agencies as well as international journalists and interested groups. Apart from supplying information to the media groups, the PNGEITI National Secretariat also conducted media capacity building workshops and made presentations to the media groups to update them on the findings of the EITI Reports.

Short Term PNGEITI Media Content Producer

Contract duration	Milestone	Articles produced
April- July 2017	Media Consultant contracted	20
July- December 2017	Media Consultant contract extended	30
January to June 2018 Media Consultant contract ext		21
July-December	Media Consultant contract extended	progressing

Table 13: Summary of PNGEITI Media Releases (not exhaustive)

News Item	Date of Publication	Website link to News
PNGEITI welcomes decision on Tax Credit	February, 1st 2018	https://ramumine.wordpress.com/2018/02/02/pngeiti-welcomes-decision-on-tax-credit-scheme/
Scheme	Tebruary, 1 2010	Courier
Blog on the NEC Decision to improve EITI	18 th February, 2018	https://www.thenational.com.pg/extractive-industry-boosted/ The National
reporting in Papua New Guinea	18 Tebruary, 2018	
Blog on Validation	March 1 st , 2018	https://www.thenational.com.pg/initiative-ushering-png-forward/ The National
PNGEITI backs Government to review Tax	1 st May, 2018	https://postcourier.com.pg/pngeiti-backs-govt-review-tax-credit-scheme/ Post Courier
Credit Scheme		
News item on Validation	1 st May, 2018	https://postcourier.com.pg/png-sweats-meeting-eiti-global-reporting-standards/Post Courier
Extractive welcomes PM's decision to halt Tax	6 th February, 2018	https://www.thenational.com.pg/extractive-sector-welcomes-pms-decision-stop-credit-scheme/
Credit Scheme	0 Tebruary, 2010	The National
Peter Aitsi thanked for his contribution to EITI	7 th February, 2018	https://www.thenational.com.pg/aitsi-commended-work-extractive-industries-sector/
In PNG	7 1 Coldary, 2010	The National
Subnational payments scoping study update	9 th March, 2018	https://postcourier.com.pg/png-eiti-completes-first-study/
Submitted at payments scoping study apadic	3 Waren, 2010	Post Courier
PNGEITI to formulate National Policy	20 th February, 2018	https://postcourier.com.pg/pngeiti-formulate-policy-framework-legislation/
Framework	20 1 051 001 7, 2010	Post Courier
PNGEITI to formulate National Policy	20 th February	https://www.thenational.com.pg/framework-extractive-industries-policy-adopted/
Framework		The National
Timing ripe for change	21st February, 2018	https://postcourier.com.pg/timing-ripe-change/
		Post Courier
Secretariat Head happy following amendment	21st February, 2018	https://www.thenational.com.pg/secretariat-head-happy-following-amendment-mra-act/
of MRA Act		The National
Abel to launch EITI Reports	25 th February, 2018	https://postcourier.com.pg/abel-launch-pngeiti-report/
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Extractive documents to be launched	26 th February, 2018	https://www.thenational.com.pg/extractive-documents-launched/
	1, 1-2	The National
DPM to launch EITI Reports	28 th February	http://www.looppng.com/business/deputy-pm-launch-png-eiti-reports-73867
·	,	PNGLOOP
Better data reporting sought to boost	27 th April, 2018	https://www.thenational.com.pg/better-data-reporting-sought-boost-transparency/
transparency		The National
DNCEITI calls for transparancy in industry		https://postcourier.com.pg/ppgoiti_colls_transparency_industry_royanus/
PNGEITI calls for transparency in industry	30 th April, 2018	https://postcourier.com.pg/pngeiti-calls-transparency-industry-revenue/ Post Courier
revenue		רטגו בטעוופו

PNGEITI thanks Samar for contribution	19 th April, 2018	https://postcourier.com.pg/pngeiti-thanks-samar-contribution/
	15 7 (p) 2020	Post Courier
PNGEITI releases findings of 2014 Report	19 th June, 2017	https://postcourier.com.pg/pngeiti-releases-findings-for-2014-report/
	,	Post Courier
80% revenue from mining	17 th June, 2017	oppng.com/business/80-revenue-mines-2014-61054 PNG Loop
PNG to position itself as a leading producer of	21 st June, 2017	Link to this story on available Post Courier
gold and copper	ŕ	
PNG a top mineral producer	22 nd June, 2017	Link not available The National
Weak capacity a challenge in the mining sector	28 th June, 2017	https://postcourier.com.pg/weak-capacity-lack-accountability-challenge-mining-sector/ Post Courier
implementing industrial policies hindered by lack of capacity	June, 26 th , 2017	Link not available The National
Policy implementation in sector a challenge: Report	24 th July, 2017	Policy implementation in sector a challenge: Report PNG Loop
PNG crude oil reserve at 2.53 billion barrels	5 th July, 2017	https://postcourier.com.pg/png-crude-oil-reserve-2-53-billion-barrels/ Post Courier
Fund to feature in PNGEITI Report	July 13 th , 2017	https://postcourier.com.pg/fund-feature-pngeiti-report/ Post Courier
Resource payment methods unclear	17 th July, 2017	Link not available (https://postcourier.com.pg) Post Courier
Call for transparent reporting	17 th July, 2017	Link not available (www.thenational.com.pg), The National
K60 billion in tax from PNGLNG	18 th July, 2017	http://www.looppng.com/business/k60b-taxes-png-lng-project-63059 PNG Loop
Government to get K60 billion from LNG	18 th July, 2017	https://www.thenational.com.pg/govt-get-k60bil-lng-project/ The National
LNG to bring K60 billion for Government	18 th July, 2018	https://postcourier.com.pg/lng-bring-k60bn-govt/ Post Courier
Revised act contains good proposals: Report	24 th July, 2017	http://pngloop.com.pg Revised act contains good proposals: Report PNG LooP
Unregulated alluvial mining in PNG	2 nd August, 2017	Loop LNG (cannot access link)
Alluvial mining 'lacks control'	2 nd August, 2017	https://www.thenational.com.pg/alluvial-mining-lacks-control/ The National
Alluvial mining remains unregulated	2 nd August, 2017	https://postcourier.com.pg/alluvial-mining-remains-unregulated-png/ Post Courier
Revised Mining Act covers environmental issues	July, 2017	https://www.thenational.com.pg/revised-mining-act-covers-environmental-issues/ The National
PNGEITI: Reveal, contracts, licences for	August, 30, 2017	http://www.looppng.com/business/pngeiti-reveal-contracts-licences-transparency-65640
transparency		LOOPNG
DPE commended for discussing gas reserves	14 th August, 2017	www.loopnauru.com/business/dpe-commended-discussing-gas-reserves-64808 LOOPNARU
Extractive industry generates more income,	7 th June, 2018	https://www.thenational.com.pg/extractive-sector-generates-income-says-alkan/ The National
Alkan says	,	
MRDC joins PNGEITI MSG	1 st June, 2017	https://postcourier.com.pg/mrdc-joins-pngeiti-multi-stakeholder-group/
Secretariat thanked Anderson for support	5 th June, 2017	https://www.thenational.com.pg/secretariat-thanks-anderson-support/The National
PNGEITI pleased with oil and gas leaders	25 th May, 2017	https://www.thenational.com.pg/eiti-pleased-oil-gas-leaders/ The National

Publish production data: EITI	18 th May, 2017	www.thenational.com.pg (specific link not available) The National
Effective policies and legislation way forward	22 nd May, 2017	https://postcourier.com.pg/effective-policies-legislation-way-forward, Post Courier
PNG has made reasonable progress, Alkan says	14 th July, 2017	https://postcourier.com.pg/png-made-reasonable-progress-says-alkan/_Post Courier
Multi stakeholder participation encouraged	16 th June, 2017	https://postcourier.com.pg/multi-stakeholder-participation-encouraged/ Post Courier
PNG Reaching for industry standard	10 th November, 2017	https://www.thenational.com.pg/png-reaching-industry-standard/ The National
Extractive companies to disclose owners	4 th July, 2017	http://www.looppng.com/business/extractive-companies-disclose-owners-62131 LooP PNG
Firms told to disclose data on beneficiaries	4 th July, 2017	https://www.thenational.com.pg/firms-told-disclose-data-beneficiaries/
Enough resources to increase property	10 th July, 2017	Post Courier, page 41 (link unaccusable)
Alkan praises Anderson for transparent overview	11 th July, 2017	https://www.thenational.com.pg/alkan-praises-anderson-transparent-overview/ The National
Outgoing Chamber Director commended	18 th July, 2017	www.looppng.com/business/outgoing-chamber-director-commended-63057_Loop PNG
Oil and Gas success report pleasing: Alkan	11 th August, 2017	https://www.thenational.com.pg/oil-gas-success-report-pleasing-alkan/ The National
EITI releases 2016 Report	23 rd December, 2017	http://www.looppng.com/business/eiti-releases-2016-report-71497
PNGEITI National Secretariat: More Can be done to improve the extractive sector	27 th December, 2017	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Vg6wE5OoEhw

2.5.4: PNGEITI Communication materials

Table 14: Summary list of PNGEITI Communications materials to date

Communications materials	Objective	Date(s) Produced
	The objective of the APR is to communicate to the	FY 2014,
Annual Progress Reports	stakeholders on the operations of the PNGEITI	FY 2015
	administration	FY 2016
	The EITI report summary is intended for conferences and	
Summary EITI Report	exhibitions where information is condensed for easier	2017
	and quick referencing.	
	The reconciliation summary sheets are intended to be	
Reconciliation Summary	distributed to interested parties for quick summary	2018
neconometron summar,	reference to PNGEITI reconciliations based on EITI	2010
	reports.	
	The PNGEITI Brochures are intended to be distributed in	
Brochure	exhibition booths for quick summary reference to	2018
	PNGEITI background facts.	
	The PNGEITI Impact Quarterly Newsletters is intended to	
Newsletter	be distributed to stakeholders to inform them of PNGEITI	2017
	activities.	
	The PNGEITI Facebook page was created in 2016 and so	
Facebook	far has garnered over 600 followers. The content consists	2016-2018
	of snippets of information highlighting PNGEITI activities.	
	The PNGEITI Website has been updated since 2015 and to	
	date a refurbished website is under development. The	
Website	website contains a list of documents as well data	2015- 2018
	summaries and is consistent with the PNGEITI Open data	
	Policy.	



Figure 8 A collection of PNGEITI communication and outreach materials

1.1. Summary of website upgrade contract February to July 2018

Milestone	Payment	Status
Start-up and mobilization	PGK 10,000.00	Completed
Website Redesign, Email Hosting Setup/Upgrade + GMail mailbox creation	PGK 25,000.00	Completed
Custom Application Development	PGK 13,500.00	Progressing
Training and User Manual, Migration + Go-Live	PGK 11,000.00	Progressing
Total	PGK 59,500.00	

2.5.5: Professional Affiliations

The PNGEITI National Secretariat became an affiliated member of Transparency International PNG, PNG Chamber of Mines and Petroleum and the PNG Chartered Practicing Accountants. The purpose of these affiliations is to engage with key identified demographics inside Communications Strategy. Since becoming affiliated to the three groups the PNGEITI has taken part and conducted outreach campaigns, most notably, The TIPNG Sir Anthony Siaguru Walk Against Corruption in June 2018 and the Chamber of Mines and Petroleum Workshops on Media, and Community Relations as well as participating in the three PNG Mining and Petroleum conferences.



Figure 9: Mr Gedion Timothy (PNGEITI National Secretariat) at the TIPNG exhibition in Goroka



Figure 10: The PNGEITI team alongside the Department of Treasury Staff after the 2018 Sir Anthony Siaguru Walk Against Corruption.

Table 15: Summary list of PNGEITI Professional Affiliations

Membership	Membership Type	Year participated	Year Joined
Transparency International PNG	Corporate Member	2016	2017
PNG Chamber of Mines and Petroleum	Corporate Member	2016	2017

PNG Chartered Practising Accountants	Corporate Sponsor	2016	2017
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2.6 **PNGEITI Policy and Technical**

Table 16: Summary of NEC Decisions relating to EITI implementation

Decision No.	NEC Directive
	Endorsed for the establishment of a State Working Group (SWG) to assess
NEC Decision No. 47/2011	the advantages and disadvantages of signing up to the EITI Global
	Standard.
NEC Decision No. 90/2013	Approved for PNG to sign up to the EITI and endorsed the minister
NEC DECISION No. 90/2013	responsible for Treasury matters to lead its implementation.
	Directed relevant government entities responsible for regulating the
NEC Decision No. 91/2017	Mining and Petroleum Sector to fully participate in the EITI Reports
	recommendation.
	Circular 10 th April 2018 directed EITI to implement the alignment of Open
NEC Decision 15/2014	Government Partnership (OGP cluster commitments to similar existing
	Government Projects and programs.

2.6.1 Income Tax Act (1959) Amendment of Secrecy provision for EITI Reporting purposes

The PNGEITI welcomed a technical amendment in the 2018 Budget on secrecy provisions of the Income Tax Act. The amended Act allows the Internal Revenue Commission (IRC) to disclose company tax information when required by the PNGEITI for reporting purposes. Prior to this change, the EITI relied on extractive companies to agree with the IRC to release tax information through a tax waiver letter. This practice was sometimes difficult to obtain and caused unnecessary delays to timely release of tax information in the absence of any legal provisions. The PNGEITI effectively became an authorized recipient of relevant tax data on 1st January, 2018. The minor technical amendment to the tax law will enable the EITI reporting process to be more efficient.

2.6.2 Policy and Legislation Technical Working Group

Work is progressing well for the PNGEITI National Policy and Legislation project. A Technical Working Group was formed recently to drive the work on the National EITI Policy Framework. The MSG approved Adam Smith International through a competitive bidding process to undertake this assignment

Table 17: Summary Activities of the PNGEITI National Policy and Legislation TWG

Year	Summary of Activities
2016	Former Treasurer Hon Patrick Pruaitch directed the PNGEITI National Secretariat to develop the
2016	PNGEITI National Policy and Legislation during Meeting 05/2016 in Kokopo, ENB.
2017	PNGEITI Policy and Legislative Group formalised in Meeting 2/2017. The TWG held meetings and various online forums to develop a preliminary scope through which an options paper was developed and subsequently led to a draft policy framework to inform MSG. TWG was compelled to proceed, as per the options paper, to recommend to the MSG to engage a policy and legal expert to undertake the next phase of the project. MSG agreed and work started on the Terms of Reference.
2018	In 2018, the TWG formalised the ToR for the Policy and Legal Consultant. The bid was announced and the TWG received expressions of interests from various international and domestic firms and individuals of which a successful nominee was selected. Contractual arrangements between both parties were being drawn up at the time of writing this report.

2.6.3 Open Government Partnership (OGP)

NEC Decision 15/2014 – Circular dated 10th April 2018 directed PNGEITI to align the Open Government Partnership (OGP) cluster commitments to existing government projects and programs. PNG became a member of the Global EITI Initiative in 2014, coincidently the year PNG's entry into the OGP was announced, and subsequently accepted as a member of OGP in October of 2015.

In implementing its OGP National Action Plan, PNG identified four Cluster Commitments of which Extractive Industries Transparency was one of these commitments. Under the Extractives Industries Transparency commitment, the key cluster activities involved;

- Development of the PNG EITI Policy Framework; and
- Development of PNGEITI Legislation.

The government department tasked to implement the EITI commitment was the Department of Treasury, and the PNGEITI Multi Stakeholder Group (MSG) took custodianship to coordinate and action this commitment. In aligning the EITI implementation with the OGP cluster commitment activity, the PNGEITI MSG announced the formulation of a Technical Working Group in October 2016 to develop the PNGEITI National Policy and a Legislation. Since then, progress has been made in the execution of this activity. With the exception of some delays due to the 2017 National General Elections and the inability to effectively mobilize resources to progress this work, the TWG under the guidance of the PNGEITI MSG still managed to progress work in this area.

In October of 2017, a Term of Reference (TOR) was formulated under the direction of the MSG, to secure an external consultant to undertake the development of the policy and legislation, sighting capacity constraints within existing MSG realm. Expressions of Interest were sought in January of 2018 for this project. A wide array of EOIs were received both from local and international firms. The procurement process concluded in late May, with the selection and engagement of a renowned and reputable international institution (Adam Smith International) that will undertake the development of the PNGEITI Policy and Legislation.

The initial desk review is set to commence in July 2018 for the policy framework. Concurrently the legislative review and drafting will commence, initially on the 1st phase of the project to establish PNGEITI as a statutory entity. The Policy and Legislation development project is scheduled to be undertaken within a period of 8 to 10 months. Depending on the scope of work and the level of consultations, it is envisaged that the PNGEITI Policy Framework and initial legislative phase would be completed and reported within the 1st Quarter of 2019.

Table 18: Report Recommendations Summary

PNG EITI Report	Progress summary on report recommendations
2013 Report	NEC Submission was formulated. A Cabinet Decision received contained 11 NEC Directives on implementation of the recommendations. So far, 8 out of the 11 Recommendations have been acted upon and in some way implemented. The Secretariat is following up with agencies on the implementation of these directives and working through to assist agencies to implement their respective directives.
2014 Report	No new recommendations, but reiterated the need to act on implementing 2013 Report recommendations. An NEC Information Paper was prepared based on this Report and was registered with the NEC on 21st November 2017. The advice received from the NEC Secretariat was that the Information Paper will first need to be reviewed by CACC before being conveyed to NEC for its noting. Based on follow up (latest March 2018), CACC is yet to convene nor provide feedback on the status of this Information Paper. The National Secretariat will continue to follow up to ensure the Information Paper is progressed through to NEC.
2015 & 2016 Reports	A total of 8 new recommendations were outlined in these Reports. Of the 8, the Infrastructure Tax Credit (ITC) Scheme recommendation was acted upon, with the announcement by Prime Minister on the indefinite suspension of this scheme until a

review is conducted. The remaining 7 recommendations have been reviewed and a
summary prepared and translated into a NEC Information and/or Policy Submission
for Cabinet to note and advise further on.

2.6.4 Development Partner Coordination

The PNGEITI has had increased partnerships with various development partners in implementing the EITI Standard in the country in the year 2017.

Table 19: Summary of 2017 Development Assistance

Development Partner	Development Assistance	Year
Pacific Leadership Governance Facility (Australian Government Department of Foreign Affairs)	Subnational Payments Scoping Study EITI Capacity Building Workshops	2017
Japanese International Cooperation Agency (JICA)	Revenue data management and reporting and PNGEITI Capacity Training	2017
World Bank	Outreach and Roadshows and PNGEITI Capacity Building	2017

2.6.4.1 Pacific Leadership Governance Facility (PLGF)

The PNGEITI National Secretariat and the Pacific Leadership Governance Facility have partnered to carry out the Subnational Payments Scoping Study in preparation for revenue and expenditure reporting in future EITI reports. The first two consultations were completed for Ok Tedi Mining Limited and Lihir Gold Limited in early 2018. It will guide the PNGEITI MSG to develop a framework for reporting on revenue that are received by entities at the provincial level. Currently the PNGEITI collects and reports at the national level on extractive revenues received by the Government and payments made by extractive companies.

Similar studies are planned for the Highlands and Southern region. Similarly, the Pacific Leadership Governance Facility has undertaken two out of three capacity building workshops with PNGEITI stakeholders in Port Moresby and Kavieng in the New Ireland Province.

2.6.4.2 Japanese International Cooperation Agency (JICA)

The Japanese International Cooperation Agency has come on board to assist the PNGEITI National Secretariat to promote revenue data management and reporting in accordance with the EITI Standard. The JICA Technical Cooperation Program project is expected to:

- improve the management of data registry and information at the Department of Petroleum and Energy (DPE);
- enhance the reporting mechanisms of the extractive companies and relevant government agencies for effective reporting through the EITI process; and
- enhance the awareness and implementation structure for the EITI.

Similarly, JICA provided preliminary funding, in March, to support the PNGEITI National Secretariat to attend a week long study tour with the Philippines EITI in preparation for the PNG Validation in April 2018.

The objectives of the Philippine training was to build the PNGEITI National Secretariat's capacity in preparing for country validation; learning better ways of communicating the PNGEITI reports and engaging meaningfully with

various stakeholders. The training and exposure was invaluable and enabled the PNGEITI teams to conduct a successful pre-validation consultation with the International Secretariat.

2.6.4.3 The World Bank Support

The PNGEITI National Secretariat in partnership with the World Bank appointed the Institute of National Affairs (INA) and the Consultative Implementation and Monitoring Council (CIMC) as the lead implementing agencies of a series of subnational capacity building workshops in three target provinces. The workshops were held between October and November of 2017 in Lae, Kavieng and Wewak and were facilitated by the PNG Resource Governance Coalition (PNGRGC). The objectives of the workshops were to;

- sensitize the provincial government officials about EITI reporting requirements;
- sensitize civil society leaders about the EITI process and how civil society could leverage EITI data to improve governance and services delivery at the subnational levels; and
- establish provincial focal points for EITI CSO representation.

Presentations were made by the Mineral Resources Authority, the PNGEITI National Secretariat and the Consultative Implementation and Monitoring Council facilitated by the PNG Resource Governance Coalition.

Table 20: Summary of 2017 Word Bank funded roadshows

Dates	Outreach Activity	Location
17 th -18 th Oct 2017	WB-EITI Workshop - Morobe	Lae, Morobe Province
8 th -10 th Nov 2017	WB-EITI Workshop- New Ireland	Kavieng, New Ireland Province
21 st - 23 rd Nov 2017	WB-EITI Workshop- Wewak	Wewak, East Sepik Province
8th Dec 2017	WB-EITI Workshop Review	NCD, Port Moresby

2.6.5 **Validation of PNGEITI**

The EITI Board confirmed at its meeting in October 2016 that PNG would undergo Validation under the 2016 EITI Standard beginning 1 April 2018. This included a visit to PNG in April-May 2018 by the EITI International Secretariat.



Figure 11 EITI pre-validation with PNG Customs

Validation is an essential feature of the EITI process. It is intended to provide all stakeholders with an impartial assessment of whether EITI implementation in a country is consistent with the provisions of the EITI Standard. The Validation report will, in addition, address the impact of the EITI in the country being validated, the

implementation of activities encouraged by the EITI Standard, lessons learned in the EITI implementation, as well as any concerns stakeholders have expressed and recommendations for future implementation of the EITI. In February 2016 the EITI Board approved a revised Validation system, and a revised Validation Guide which provides detailed guidance on assessing EITI Requirements. The key steps in the validation procedures are as follows:

Table 21: Key steps in the Validation procedures

Validation Steps	Validation Procedure	Status
1.	Preparation for Validation	Completed
2.	Initial data collection and stakeholder consultation undertaken by EITI International Secretariat staff	Completed
3.	Independent Validation	Progressing
4.	Board review	Progressing

Table 22: PNGEITI Validation Stakeholder Consultation in 2018

Initial Program for Consultation	 28 Stakeholders invited 24 scheduled meetings 6 days of consultation 		
Actual consultation outcome	 Of the 28 stakeholders initially invited and listed, only 3 stakeholders failed to turn up for their respective consultations without any prior notification or advice. Treasurer – was away on official duty travel. Vice Treasurer also accompanied Treasurer, hence this consultation could not be re-delegated so did not eventuate. Department of Finance – Relevant officials were conducting a workshop concurrently, so were unavailable for their consultation. Barrick Niugini Limited – Didn't turn up for their consultation. Harmony Gold Limited – Didn't turn up for their consultation. KPMG – Scheduled time was adjusted at the request of the mission team however was not feasible for the KPMG team so consultation did not proceed. Department of National Planning was initially scheduled for consultation, but at the request of the mission team we approached them for a possible meeting but declined our request due to the unavailability of the relevant officials. From the 24 meetings initially scheduled, 3 meetings had to be cancelled due to unavailability of the stakeholders. A meeting with the PGF consultant was arranged and convened even though not initially scheduled in the program. An additional or follow up meeting with the Department of Petroleum was also convened. 		
Next Steps	 We anticipate that by July we should receive the Initial Assessment Report along with the Draft Validation Report. PNGEITI MSG will then be given a period of 3 weeks to comment and provide feedback on both documents before they are conveyed to the International Secretariat. It is recommended that a MSG meeting is convened to consolidate comments and feedback on the documents. This MSG meeting will also be used as an avenue to push forward certain issues identified during the stakeholder consultations and those contained within the compiled documents 		

- The Validation Report then gets conveyed to the EITI International Board for deliberation and decision making. This is anticipated in September or October.
- Based on the outcome of the Board's decision and recommendation, the MSG will plan on the next course of action.

Table 23: Validation Mission - EITI International Secretariat, 2nd – 9th May 2018

Wednesday 2 nd May, 20)18		
Time	Meeting	Participants	Venue
10.00am- 11.50am	Opening Meeting with – PNGEITI National Secretariat Team	Mission Team & National Secretariat Staff	8 th Floor Conference
12:00pm	Lunch		Treasury Building
2:30pm – 3.20pm	Meeting with National Economic & Fiscal Commission (NEFC)	Relevant NEFC officials	NEFC Office
3.30pm- 4.20pm	Meeting with Auditor General's Office	Auditor General's Office representatives	Auditor General's Off
End of Meetings			
Thursday 3 rd May, 2018			
Time	Activity	Participants	Venue
9.00am – 10.00am	Meeting with Government Agency (Petroleum Sector) – Department of Petroleum	Department of Petroleum, MSG members & key representatives	Mining Haus Confere
10.30am- 11.30am	Meeting with Government Agency (Mining Sector) – Mineral Resources Authority of PNG (MRA)	MRA MSG members & key representatives	Mining Haus Confere
11.45am	Lunch		Mining Haus
1.00pm-2.00pm	Meeting with government agency – Internal Revenue Commission (IRC)	IRC MSG members & other IRC officials	IRC Office, Downtown
2.15pm-3.15pm	Meeting with PNG IPA	Relevant IPA officials	IPA Haus
3.30pm-4.20pm	Meeting with PNG Customs	Relevant Customs officials	PNG Customs Office
End of Meetings			
Friday 4 th May, 2018			
Time	Activity	Participants	Venue
9.00am – 10.00am	Meeting with PNG Chamber of Mines & Petroleum	Chamber MSG members & other representatives	Grand Papua Hotel
10.30am- 11.30am	Meeting with Oil & Gas Companies	Exxon Mobil, Oil Search, Total	Grand Papua Hotel
Break			
1.00pm- 2.00pm	Meeting with Mining Companies	Newcrest, OTML, Barrick Niugini, Harmony Gold	Grand Papua Hotel
2.30pm-5.00pm	Meeting with Civil Society Organizations	All Civil Society representatives, both from MSG & Non-MSG, including academia reps.	Grand Papua Hotel
End of Meetings			
Monday 7 th May, 2018			
Time	Activity	Participants	Venue
9.00am – 10.00am	Courtesy Call and Meeting with Vice Minister for Treasury	EITI International Secretariat Mission Team, Hon. Minister & PNGEITI National Secretariat	10 th Floor Conference
10.30am- 11.30am	Kumul Consolidated Holdings (KCH)	KCH officials	KCH Office Downtown
12.00pm	Lunch		TBA
1.00pm-2.00pm	Kumul Petroleum Holdings Limited (KPHL)	KPHL officials	KPHL Office Downtov
2.30pm-3.30pm	Kumul Mineral Holdings Limited (KMHL) & Meeting with OK Tedi Mining Limited	KMHL & OK Tedi Mining Ltd officials	KMHL/OTML Office
4.00pm-5.00pm	Meeting with Mineral Resources Development Company (MRDC)	Officials from MRDC	MRDC Office Downto
End of Meetings			
Tuesday 8 th May, 2018			
Time	Activity	Participants	Venue
9.00am – 10.00am			
10.00am- 11.30am	Meeting with development partners & donor agencies – World Bank	Key representatives from, World Bank Group, JICA, US Embassy & Australian High Commission	Treasury Building
12.00pm	Lunch		
1.00pm-2.00pm			
2.30pm-3.30pm	Conservation & Environment Protection Authority (CEPA)	Officials from CEPA	Treasury Building

End of Meetings Wednesday 9 th May, 2018						
9.00am – 10.00am	Meeting with Treasury	Treasury officials	8 th Floor, Treasury Bu			
10.30am-11.15am	Meeting with Finance Department					
11.30am- 12.15am	Meeting with media representatives – National, Post Courier, EMTV, TVWAN, NBC and others.	Various media representatives	8 th Floor, Treasury Bu			
12.30pm	Lunch		TBA			
1.00pm-2.00pm	Wrap up meeting with PNGEITI National Secretariat		8th Floor, Treasury Bu			
End of meetings						

Table 24: 2018 PNGEITI Validation Schedule and Progressive Update

Activity			
1.)	January to first week March 2018 - Collation and upload of all Relevant documentation (listed below)	Completed	
Wo She	Completed		
2.)	Completed		
•	Identification of key and relevant stakeholders (MSG list) & others.	Completed	
•	Notification (letter from Treasurer) to stakeholders on upcoming validation.	Completed	
•	Invitation, preparation & availability for consultation.	Completed	
•	Consult closely with International Secretariat to ascertain preferred schedule of consultation for Validators.	Completed	
•	Preparation of consultation schedule	Completed	
3.)	March 2 nd , 2018 (tentative) – Pre-Validation Assessment Workshop	Completed	
•	Assessment of 2016 PNGEITI Annual Report (Based on the 7 EITI Standard Requirements) – Gauge where we are at.	Completed	
•	Identification of Report gaps	Completed	
•	Compilation of brief assessment report	Completed	
•	Conveyance of this assessment report for implementation/correction by IA for the 2017 Report.	Completed	
VAL	IDATION PERIOD (1 April, 2018 onwards)	Completed	
Pha	se 1 (Commence April 1, for a period of 12 Weeks) – Data Collection & Stakeholder Consultation:	Completed	
•	International Secretariat reviews all relevant documents collated	Completed	
•	Stakeholder Consultations	Completed	
•	Initial assessment report on progress of EITI Requirements	Completed	
•	National Secretariat to work with International Secretariat to ensure all relevant data and/or documentation is available for their initial review.	Completed	
•	National Secretariat to coordinate arrangements for stakeholder consultations.	Completed	
•	Also prepare a public notification / media release announcing the commencement of the Validation Process for PNG EITI.	Completed	
Pha	Progressing		
•	se 2 (Commence July 1, for a period of 8 weeks) – Independent Validation Independent Validator to conduct a detailed review of the initial assessment.	Progressing	
•	Additional Stakeholder consultation	Progressing	
•	Draft Validation report	Progressing	
•	Review MSG Comments & Response	Progressing	
•	Final Validation Report	Progressing	
•	National Secretariat to ensure initial documentation and other relevant support documents are available for the detailed review.	Progressing	
•	National Secretariat to coordinate arrangements for additional stakeholder consultations & MSG review of draft report.	Progressing	
Pha	Progressing		
•	Validation Committee reviews Final Validation Report and supporting documentation	Progressing	
•	EITI Board takes final decision on the country's progress towards compliance	Progressing	
•	National Secretariat to coordinate and communicate with International Secretariat and Board to ascertain the timely outcome of the Validation decision.	Progressing	
POS	Progressing		
•	National Secretariat reviews or carries out a post mortem on EITI Board Decision	Progressing	
•	Strategize on any action items handed down or as directed by the EITI Board.	Progressing	
•	Inform MSG & all relevant stakeholders as to next course of action for the EITI process post Validation.	Progressing	

2.6.6 Administration

The PNGEITI MSG, the PNG EITI National Secretariat is undertaking a remuneration benchmarking on the PNG EITI National Secretariat staff remuneration levels and organisational structure. It is also assessing these in the context of a wider view of the current employment market trends for various positions in which it competes. The objective of this assignment are to:

- Review the existing and current PNG EITI National Secretariat Remuneration levels and the structure, and;
- Produce a Report on the findings and recommendations of the assignment for the PNG EITI MSG's deliberations.

Table 25: Summary of PNGEITI Remuneration benchmarking contract milestones

Milestones	Deliverables	Status
1 1	Review of PNG EITI National Secretariat organizational structure, job description, individual resume, review of existing packages paid to individual officers	Progressing
2.	Conduct a one-on-one interview with Secretariat officers	Progressing
3.	Stakeholder consultation and data collection	Progressing
4.	Desk review	Progressing
5.	Draft Report	Progressing
6.	Final Report	Progressing

The benchmarking exercise will look at reviewing the PNGEITI organizational structure, reviewing job descriptions and individual PNG EITI officer's qualifications. It will also review the details of existing remuneration packages paid to individual officers and compare with National Secretariat Officers' level. Lastly, the benchmarking will undertake consultation with other similar organisations in the extractive industries, public and private sectors on similar models of remuneration and provide an action plan to the PNG EITI National Secretariat.

Table 26: PNGEITI Staff on strength in 2017 and Quarter 1 of 2018

Title	Name	Date employed
Head of National Secretariat	Mr Lucas Alkan	2015- Present
Deputy Head of National Secretariat	Vacant	Vacant
Policy Technical	Mr Vaieke Vani	2017 - Present
Procurement	Mr Francis Diakon	2016 - Present
Finance	Mrs Delka Rinny	2016 - Present
Communications'	Mr Christopher Tabel	2016 - Present
Administration	Ms Liyasi Taligatus	2016 - Present
Driver	Mr Steven Tai	2018

3. ASSESSMENT OF PERFORMANCE AGAINST TARGETS AND ACTIVITIES SET OUT IN THE PNGEITI WORK PLAN

Table 27: Assessment of performance against targets and activities set out in the PNGEITI Work Plan

Requirements	Progress Against 2018 Work plan
Ensuring a well-established and fully functional national secretariat office and the multi-stakeholder group (MSG)	Progressive work has been ongoing to build staff capacity by engaging with development partners such as PGF, World Bank and JICA to provide training and skills development for National Secretariat staff and MSG members. The website maintenance, upgrade and modernisation is progressing with 2 out of 3 milestones completed. The contractor is working closely with the PNGEITI National Secretariat to design the data portal that will present data in visual form. Work is still progressing for the External Consultant for MSG and National Secretariat capacity building. The EITI National Policy and Legislation bid has been closed and a successful candidate has been selected at the time of writing this report. Implementation of the Beneficial Ownership Roadmap is progressing and has achieved 15 out of its 33 milestones covered by the Roadmap Implementation Manager (RIM), KPMG. PNGEITI National Secretariat and MSG to attend relevant International Meetings including the EITI International Meeting in Manila, Philippines and the Beneficial Ownership conference in Jakarta, Indonesia. PNGEITI National Secretariat conducted four MSG meetings, a joint workshop on data collection with reporting entities, a pre validation workshop as well as the media workshop. The PNGEITI is up to date with its payment of annual membership subscription fee to EITI International Secretariat. PNGEITI National Secretariat fully maintains its operational and administrative activities and office and administrative assets. With budgetary funding from the PNG Government through the Department of Treasury it administers staff salaries and wages, taxes, superannuation contributions, bank charges and fees, amongst others.

	2015 and 2016 PNGEITI Reports	
	Publications of 2015 and 2016 PNGEITI Reports milestone are as follows;	
Show extractive industries contribution (both direct and indirect) to the PNG economy	 April 2017- PNG-EITI MSG call for EOI May 2017- MSG assessment; selection and endorsement of successful IA June 2017- Contract executed July 2017- Scoping and Inception report finalized and endorsed by PNG-EITI MSG October 2017- Initial reconciliation report delivered to PNG-EITI MSG November 2017- 1st draft EITI reports delivered to PNG-EITI MSG November 2017- Revised draft EITI reports delivered to PNG-EITI MSG December 2017- Final EITI reports delivered to PNG-EITI MSG December 2017- Reports approved and endorsed by PNG-EITI MSG for publication 	
	Validation The PNGEITI National Secretariat collated and uploaded all relevant documentation required for validation in January to March 2018. Subsequently the PNGEITI compiled an action plan of the Stakeholder Consultation and conducted a Pre-Validation Assessment Workshop on March 2nd, 2018. It then commenced onto Phase one, Data Collection. Validation period began on 1st April, 2018 and stakeholder consultation by the international secretariat was completed in two weeks. Phase 2 Independent Validation and Phase 3 EITI Board Review are in progress and will be ongoing in the time of writing this report for the post validation decision.	
Improve public understanding in the management of extractive industries	The PNGEITI and CSO conducted over 25 roadshows as well as various regional and provincial workshops since 201 with our MSG members to promote the PNGEITI Reports. PNGEITI participated at numerous domestic and international conferences. The PNGEITI is affiliated with the PNG Chamber of Mines and Petroleum, Transparence International PNG, as well as active participants with the PNG Chartered Practising Accountants. It also participate in various political, academic and development forums. The Secretariat had produced the PNGEITI Impact Quarterl Newsletter since 2017 and reconciliation summary factsheets, brochures and EITI Summary reports for 2015 and 2016 EITI reports that are being used for outreach and stakeholder engagements. The PNGEITI Website has been in operation since 2015 and the PNGEITI has a Facebook page with over 600 followers as of 2018. There is increased participation in the PNGEITI Multi-Stakeholder Group with a total of 31 meetings since signing of the PNGEITI Mod MoU in 2013. Our current MSG membership stands at over 28 MSG representatives since 2013 and includes voting	

	members from Government, Industry, CSOs, SoEs and non-voting observers such as development partners and other interest groups.
Strengthen revenue generation and collection that is consistent with policy setting	The PNG Government has taken action on recommendation from the third & fourth PNGEITI Reports with the NEC Decision (NEC Decision No. 91/2017) directing all relevant government entities responsible for regulating the Mining and Petroleum Sector to fully participate in the EITI Reports. The PNGEITI National Secretariat and the Pacific Governance Facility have partnered to carry out the Subnational Payments Scoping in preparation for revenue and expenditure reporting in future EITI reports PNGEITI National Policy and Legislative subgroup have developed a Policy and Legislative Framework and have engaged a consultant to undertake the drafting of a bill for Parliament at the time of writing this report.
	Progressive work is being undertaken to strengthen the capacity of CSOs, Industries and Government to participate and contribute effectively in the Multi-Stakeholder Group (MSG) through donor partners. The PGF supported subnational payments study is progressing and will determine the monitoring mechanisms for transfer of revenues from the industry and government to sub-national levels of governments and landowner groups.
Engagement of stakeholders to effectively address issues affecting PNG's extractive industries	The PNGEITI is conducting quarterly and monthly meetings with the MSG, Technical Working Group (TWG), constituency members consistently with the requirements of PNGEITI MSG MoU. The Secretariat have had a Quarterly talk back shows with local radio stations with more planned at the time of writing this report. The Secretariat had attended in-country conferences, seminars and workshops and conducted regular contact with the PNG media.
Endeavour to fully implement PNGEITI report recommendations as directed by Cabinet	The Policy and Legislative TWG of the National Secretariat conducts regular follow up meetings with government entities to ensure these recommendations are being implemented. If there any implementation issues or any agencies not making efforts to implement respective recommendations, the Secretariat will need to understand the reasons and challenges preventing them from doing so and will report to MSG accordingly.

4. <u>ASSESSMENT OF PERFORMANCE AGAINST EITI REQUIREMENT</u>

Table 28: Assessment of performance against EITI requirements

Requirements	Progress
Effective oversight by the Multi-Stakeholder Group.	 The PNGEITI MSG held four meetings in the year 2017. Among the key decisions made by the MSG for the period covered by this report are the following: Approval of the 3rd and 4th PNGEITI reports for FY 2015 & FY 2016 Implementation and follow-up on the NEC Policy Directives on the 2013 EITI Report recommendation with responsible entities. Implementation of the Beneficial ownership scoping report and roadmap The Revised MSG MoU and Code of Conduct for Endorsement by Provided oversight, guidance and endorsed the PNGEITI Legislative and Policy TWG Recommendations. Provided oversight, guidance and direction for Report Dissemination Strategy, Outreach and Roadshows. Provided guidance on PNGEITI National Secretariat administrative concerns on staff remuneration and PNGEITI Trust Accounts and discussed isolated issues on the issue PNG LNG Royalty matters. Provided guidance over the 2017 Post –Election strategic planning for EITI activities
Timely publication of EITI Reports.	The PNG EITI was able to meet the deadlines for submission of its Annual Activity Report (July 1, 2017) and its EITI country reports (December 31, 2017) for Fiscal Years 2015 and 2016.
EITI Reports that include contextual information about the extractive industries.	The PNG EITI report contains a wealth of contextual information about the extractive industries in the country including the following: Revenue Streams and Reporting Entities Contributions of the Extractive Industries to the Economy Legal Framework and Fiscal Regimes Management and distribution of revenues Social Expenditure Mining Oil and Gas State Owned Enterprises
The production of comprehensive EITI Reports that include full government disclosure of extractive industry revenues, and disclosure of all material payments to government by oil, gas and mining companies.	The PNG EITI report includes data on material payments from 8 Mining Companies, 4 Oil and Gas companies, 4 State Owned Entities and 8 Government Departments. The Reports covered over 19 Revenue streams- 9 of which are reconciled, 9 unilaterally declared, and 1 partially declared in the 2016 Report.
A credible assurance process applying international standards.	PNG entities participating were asked to submit data templates signed by an authorised company representative, confirming that reporting amounts are materially consistent with their audited financial statement. Only 58% of

	reporting entities provided these signatures. All the producing companies have accounts audited to international
	standards. Government entities and State Owned Enterprises (other than Ok Tedi) are audited by the PNG Auditor
	General. Most, however, do not yet have audit statements for the reporting period, and previous audit statements
	indicated significant shortcomings in the reliability of the accounts.
	Since the publication of the PNG EITI reports, the key findings were widely disseminated to stakeholders through
	presentations conducted by the sectors such as Oil Search Ltd who have produced Transparency Reports and
FITI Damanta that are same and ancible actively	online data presentations. Other notable disseminations included the international research firms' use of EITI
EITI Reports that are comprehensible, actively	data, and parliamentary debates on a wide range of issues concerning the two sectors. Target audiences were the
promoted, publicly accessible, and contribute to public	PNG mainstream media, landowner groups, academics, accountants, policy makers, local CSO lobbyists, social
debate.	media opinion leaders, legislators, government agencies, and provincial and local level governments officials.
	Other notable publications included summary sheets, reconciliation sheets, the quarterly PNGEITI Newsletter
	direct engagement with social media, particularly Facebook and PNGEITI Website.
That the Mariti Status balder Consum tables stored as a	Acting on the findings of the IA, the MSG formulated recommendations for government agencies, legislators, and
That the Multi-Stakeholder Group takes steps to act	companies to strengthen EITI implementation. The National Executive Council endorsed and directed entities
on lessons learned and review the outcomes and	concerned to act on these recommendations. A summary of progressive EITI Report recommendations is provided
impact of EITI implementation	in this report.

5. OVERVIEW OF THE MULTI-STAKEHOLDER GROUP'S RESPONSES TO THE RECOMMENDATIONS FROM RECONCILIATION AND VALIDATION

Recommendation (NEC Directive)	Status/ Progress
Minister for Petroleum and Energy to immediately implement a reliable electronic registry system to supersede the current paper ledger system	DPE has undertaken to transition from its current paper ledger registry to an electronic registry system. This project will be done with technical assistance from JICA under its support program to the PNGEITI National Secretariat. The technical assistance program will commence in 2018.
	The Secretariat will liaise with DPE on the implementation process of this project.
Minister responsible for MRDC to ensure that MRDC engages fully with the PNGEITI MSG and reports through the EITI process on the equity distribution and all other funds it holds in trust and invests for the landowners and for future	The formal letter to MRDC was sent in relation to this directive. MRDC is now engaged within the EITI reporting process. There are still some areas that both the MRDC and the Secretariat will work through to sustain MRDC's engagement in this EITI process.
generation	The Secretariat will work with MRDC to iron out any issues, to ensure MRDC continues its engagement in the EITI process.
Minister responsible for Kumul Consolidated Holdings Limited to ensure KCHL participates in the EITI process and regularly reports through the EITI process on the State's share/interest in the mining and petroleum sectors that it manages under the General Business Trust (GBT)	KCHL does not necessarily engage directly in the PNGEITI reporting process due to its organizational structure and mandate. There are subsidiary entities under KCHL that deal directly with its interest in the mining and petroleum sector.
Minister responsible for Kumul Mineral Holdings Limited and Kumul Petroleum Holdings Limited to ensure these enterprises are fully engaged in the EITI process and to report as required under the EITI Standard	These two entities, now coordinate the government's interest in the mining, oil and gas sectors. Preliminary engagement has been sought by the Secretariat with these entities to ensure that they too are aligned to the reporting processes and requirements of PNGEITI. At this stage, it still needs to be ascertained as to what type of reporting, information collection and areas of engagement of KMHL & KPHL in the EITI process may be required. The Secretariat will continue its consultation with both KMHL & KPHL to identify areas which both entities can be able to engage effectively in the reporting process.

Recommendation (NEC Directive)	Status/ Progress	
Minister for Treasury to ensure the National Economic and Fiscal Commission (NEFC) amend its Budget and Fiscal Reports to collect information on subnational payments and transfers consistent with the EITI Requirements	The National Secretariat has consulted with NEFC on this issue. This consultation outlined NEFC's current information collection and reporting procedures, and also discussed avenues in which this process can also incorporate and/align to the EITI process, particularly in the area of subnational payments information. It was ascertained that the NEFC's current reporting on sub-national payments and transfers is provisioned under the Inter Government Relations (Functions & Funding) Act, which governs the mandate of NEFC's operations. Hence, it was discussed that NEFC along with the Secretariat work together to identify mechanisms that can align both NEFC reporting to that of the PNGEITI Requirements. The NEFC and the Secretariat will engage in more frequent consultation to ensure that reporting mechanisms are aligned in regard to not only sub-national payments but all other payments for the various levels of governments.	
Minister responsible for Mineral Resources Authority (MRA) and the Minister responsible for the State Solicitor to ensure these entities make publicly available Memorandum of Agreements (MOAs) for EITI purposes and for the benefit of the general public.	The National Secretariat has conveyed the official letter to the two concerned agencies outlining this directive. A follow up via official email correspondence has been sent to the relevant contacts within MRA to gauge the progress of this directive but are yet to receive any further feedback. It is the Secretariat's understanding that MRA will to consult and clarify from State Solicitor the legality of making public the MOAs, however feedback on this consultation is yet to be received and cannot be reported on at this stage.	
The Minister for Treasury to implement the recommendation of the EITI report in relation to: • Publication of budget preparation process on its website; • Clearly and comprehensively listing relevant assumptions and basis for calculation for budget document tables; and • Ensure units of measurement are standardized	The National Secretariat to work with the relevant agencies to ensure that the directive is implemented. The Secretariat has sent the official letter outlining the said directives to Treasury, for its noting and implementation. The directives were also conveyed in the This has been reviewed by the relevant team within Treasury and the outcome of its analysis yet to be received. The Secretariat will communicate with Treasury in ensuring the directives are included as part of Treasury's budget review/process and considered for implementation in coming budgets.	
between government departments, particularly with respect to production data in budget documents Minister for Treasury to legislate the EITI reporting requirements into government reporting process (in lieu of current practice of using waiver letter) and report back with draft legislation for NEC's consideration before the FY 2015 EITI Report	The Secretariat has been in consultation with the legal team from the IRC to get clarification on this issue. The advice from the IRC indicated that there needs to be a legislative amendment to cater the proposed changes. The specific and relevant provision within the Income Tax Act was identified, and it was ascertained that this would require a minor technical amendment. The relevant Secrecy provisions were amended and incorporated as part of the 2018 Budget Amendments.	

Recommendation (NEC Directive)	Status/ Progress	
Minister for Finance to undertake assessment of all monies received from mining and petroleum projects that are held in trust accounts, which include future generation trust and set up data base to effectively monitor the trust accounts in accordance with Section 15 of the Public Finance (Management) Act 1995	The National Secretariat will follow up to obtain the certified copy of the amendment. This directive has been incorporated as part of the Department's work with the Financial Framework Review (FFR) which triggered current amendments to the PFMA 1995 to review Trust Accounts. Part of the reforms to the new PFMA 2016 included financial instructions to review all Trust Accounts and incorporate onto the IFMS for effective monitoring and compliance purposes. There are still areas which need to be clarified especially with regard to monies held in mining and petroleum trust accounts and others, but the relevant team within Finance Department is continuing work to ensure this is achieved. The National Secretariat will continue its consultation with the Department of Finance to ensure any issues relating to these directives are ironed out, hence the full implementation of the said directives.	
Minister for Finance to take action to ensure payments currently being done manually via cash or cheque by some government agencies are modernized to electronic systems such as the use of EFTPOS because the absence of a robust system for managing resource payments leaves the system vulnerable to fraud, corruption and human error	The Department of Finance provided feedback that, part of the amendments to the PFMA also directed to the transition from cash based payments into electronic transactions. There were specific financial instructions from the Finance Minister for government agencies to heed this change and transition into electronic payments system. Currently, all previous cash based transactions have now been converted in electronic transactions as per the financial instructions. The National Secretariat will continue its consultation with the Department of Finance to ensure any issues relating to these directives are ironed out, hence the full implementation of the said directives.	
That government agencies ensure to submit their books to the Auditor General's Office in a timely manner for audit purposes; that the capacity at the Auditor General's Office be improved to undertake audits as highlighted under the heading of "Way Forward" of the submission; and that this would be one of the Government's key agendas to improve transparency and accountability in the public service.	The formal letter of notification on this directive had been conveyed to the AG's office. To date no formal response has been received on their implementation progress and/or strategy. The Auditor General has undertaken active audit program on relevant government agencies. Recently the AG has come out in the media identifying and outlining issues surrounding the non-reporting of agencies or the deficiencies and the reports submitted to the AG. The National Secretariat to continue its following up with the Attorney General's office to ensure progress is made to implement this directive.	

6. SPECIFIC STRENGTHS AND WEAKNESSES IDENTIFIED IN THE EITI PROCESS

Table 29: Specific Strengths and Weaknesses identified in the EITI process

Multi-Stakeholder Group oversight			
2016 EITI Standard	EITI Provision	Strengths	Weaknesses
Government oversight of the EITI process	1.1	Government oversight in the EITI process has been satisfactory with the Department of Treasury along with core government entities and SoEs taking the lead in facilitating the EITI program.	Certain Government entity participation has been challenging due to staffing capacity and political or administrative constraints.
Company engagement	1.2	Industry participation in the EITI process has been satisfactory with all material companies supportive of the EITI program.	Industry is reluctant to report on certain aspects of the EITI value chain such as contracts transparency and disclosure of project agreements since these are bound by confidentiality clauses. Companies have also made their position explicit in terms of providing commercially sensitive information in the EITI process through full or partial disclosure
Civil society engagement	1.3	CSO participation is very high in the EITI process has seen key National CSO activities integrated into the PNGEITI National Work plan.	CSO capacity audit, resourcing and capacity building activities are required to ensure CSOs remain independent of government influence. CSOs ability to source funding from international donors is required in the long term sustainability of their participation in the EITI process.
MSG governance and functioning	1.4	MSG Governance and function is operational.	Attendance by key reporting entities is required as well as the scrutiny of contractor performances and data assurance in the PNGEITI reports were lacking. It may be due to MSG capacity in comprehending the EITI provisions
Work plan	1.5	The PNGEITI Secretariat has successfully accomplished three National Work plans	More Coordination must be considered for donor partner funding to avoid duplication of activities.
Award of contracts and lice	enses		
2016 EITI Standard	EITI Provision	Strengths	Weaknesses
Legal framework	2.1	Overall positive support towards the PNGEITI Policy and Legislative framework	Consequential amendments will have to be considered to allow EITI legislation to be fully realised.
Exploration and production			
2016 EITI Standard	EITI Provision	Strengths	Weaknesses
Production data	3.2	The IA succeeded in gathering production data	Lack of oversight by the Independent Administrator (IA) resulted in the production data for oil and gas not included in the 2016 Reports.

Export Data	3.3	The IA succeeded in gathering export data	Lack of oversight by the IA resulted in the export data for oil and gas not included in the 2016 Reports.
Revenue Collection			
2016 EITI Standard	EITI Provision	Strengths	Weaknesses
Comprehensive disclosure of taxes and revenues	4.1.	Reporting Entities submitted data templates for reporting	There has been questions on unilateral disclosures for group tax, mandatory and voluntary social expenditures, direct subnational payments, quasi fiscal expenditures, transfers between SOEs and government agencies, and license fees. There is no explanation as to why there are no disclosures but the text seems to imply it is because companies did not disclose (p. 119).
			There is no assessment of the impact of omissions by company and government
			 It also appears that there is no full government disclosure (e.g. some data from government are missing) and there is no comprehensive disclosure by companies.
Infrastructure provisions and barter arrangements	4.3	Treasury explains that infrastructure provisions exist in the form of infrastructure tax credits (p. 21) and reconciled figures are disclosed on p. 122	The report does not disclose the terms of the ITC projects for each company (the report provides a general description of the % deduction given, but clearly the actual % depends on the type of project) which is central to understanding the resources pledged by the State, nor does it disclose the nature of the balancing benefit stream, i.e. the type of infrastructure provided.
Transactions between SOEs and government entities	4.5	The report states that KCH receives a monthly budget allocation, which is disclosed in the KCH operating budget (p.103). This amount is not available in the EITI Report, and the external reference needs to be checked.	The revenues collected by SOEs on behalf of government are not reconciled, e.g. sales proceeds derived from joint marketing of LNG project. Disclosure and reconciliation of SOE payments are incomplete. It is not clear which revenue streams apply to which SOEs and why not all SOEs disclose figures for all revenue streams.
Level of disaggregation	4.7		The following are not presented per company: MRA fees (p. 130), license fees (122). Other taxes are reported by company but not by

			revenue stream (p.127). Subnational payments are not disaggregated by local government.
Data quality	4.9 and the IA TOR	There is a discussion on comprehensiveness and reliability. However, there was not a categorical assessment of whether the disclosures are comprehensive and reliable or not. Instead, it explains that only 58% of reporting entities provided signatures to comply with the agreed data quality assurance mechanism (p. 9).	The EITI Report does not clearly state which reporting entities provided the required quality assurances, and which did not. The Report does not provide an overall assessment of impact of the missing data. It is not clear to us whether figure 54 on p. 121 is meant to be an assessment of impact of omissions.
Revenue management ar	nd distribution		
2016 EITI Standard	EITI Provision	Strengths	Weaknesses
Sub-national transfers	5.2.	For petroleum, royalties are also paid to the state (DPE and DoF) and then apportioned to landowners, affected provincial and local level governments through MDRC. The report states that the formula is either determined by individual agreements or at the discretion of the Minister (p.58). However, it also states on p.115 that 30% of the royalty and equity dividend payments is allocated to a Future Generation Trust Fund (for landowners), 30% to the Community Investment Trust Fund (for landowners) and 40 % in cash directly to landowners.	The report does not contain data on actual transfers and information on discrepancies between actual transfer and calculated transfers. The information on the formula is incomplete.
Social and economic sper	nding		
2016 EITI Standard	EITI Provision	Strengths	Weaknesses
SOE quasi fiscal expenditures	6.2		The report states that no SOE reported QFEs for 2016 (p. 62). However, it also states that for MRDC, there are QFEs such as classrooms, health centres, and establishment of banks. Beneficiary areas are mentioned but no actual figures are provided (p. 94). The EITI Report does not seem to draw a clear distinction between QFEs and social expenditures undertaken by MRDC (citing classrooms, health centers, establishment of banks, etc). Ok Tedi's 2016 annual report refers to social programs and infrastructure projects for communities affected by its operations (pp.30, 69).
Outcomes and impact			
2016 EITI Standard	EITI Provision	Strengths	Weaknesses

Public debate	7.1	The PNGEITI Reports data and contents continue to be used selectively and indiscriminately by various audiences both domestically and internationally.	The use of the EITI report although stimulating debate and discussion would require fairness to prevail in the public domain in order to sustain good relations in the MSG as well keep consistent with Government priorities in the extractive sector. One such example is the Jubilee Report www.jubileeaustralia.org/LiteratureRetrieve.aspx?ID=162634
Data accessibility	7.2	Data accessibility is a key strength of the PNGEITI and is consistent with the Secretariats Open Data Policy. The PNGEITI website is resourced with summary data sheets and updated records to ensure audiences can download information as and when required. Companies such as Oil Search Limited have also taken the lead to present open data of financial spending in their company website, as well as government entities such as the Mineral Resources Authority wo own and operate their online tenements and mining cadastre.	The PNG website would require improvements to its data presentation to ensure user- friendly interaction to obtain and or interpret financial data. Most summary data are in downloadable PDF format, however, visual representation is also required. Other reporting entities most notably in the government sector are yet to have fully functional websites that can allow data accessibility to the general public. Other industry partners are yet to update their website to align with the EITI Open Data Policy, although most of their representation are represented by the PNG Chamber of Mining and Petroleum

7. TOTAL COST OF EITI IMPLEMENTATION ACTIVITIES

Table 30: PNGEITI National Secretariat 2017 Financial Report

PNGEITI NATIONAL SECRETARIAT				
Statement of Financial Performance	е			
as at 31st DECEMBER 2017				
Revenue	Quarter 4	Quarter 3	Quarter 2	Quarter 1
Balance Brought Forward	4,201,627.82	3,261,042.61	2,539,386.43	1,468,929.71
GoPNG (DoT) - Budget allocation	-	1,700,000.00	1,000,000.00	1,900,000.00
ExxonMobil PNG Funding Support				·
Rounded off toeas	0.07	0.02		0.07
Deposits - Cash/Cheques	20,235.55	14,699.87	7,049.24	12,143.67
Dishonoured Cheques	10,318.00			7,569.82
Total Income	4,221,863.44	4,975,742.50	3,546,435.67	3,388,643.27
Cost of Goods Sold				
Beginning inventory				
Goods purchased or manufactured		-		
Total Goods Available	-	-	-	-
(Less ending inventory)	<u>, </u>	•	•	<u> </u>
Cost of Goods Sold	-	-	-	-
Gross Profit (Loss)	4,221,863.44	4,975,742.50	3,546,435.67	3,388,643.27
[42]		Expenses	, ,	, ,
Wages/Salary	75,004.03	99,627.78	69,378.33	88,661.57
Sundry Expenses	3,111.85	1,418.19	=	-
Administrative Costs	13,199.57	21,734.90	51,615.79	17,576.55
ITC Equipment's	850.00	-	16,830.00	1,499.00
Conference Hire	26,472.72	29,190.00	13,068.46	4,968.30
Printing & Stationery	41,857.40	14,788.38	6,884.23	67,584.77
Advertisement	6,279.94	29,150.70	38,064.81	51,462.89
Fuel	2,000.00	2,200.00	2,120.00	5,737.90
Consultancy Services	501,031.58	486,821.05	49,800.00	522,172.50
Office Furniture's	-	=	5,709.40	-
Travel	68,808.98	37,153.46	4,746.40	27,367.01
Group Tax (Payroll taxes)	27,819.81	36,454.54	21,524.34	51,944.59
Employee superannuation	12,593.88	15,454.58	5,471.40	10,079.26
Bank charges	434.50	121.10	179.90	202.50
Total Operating Expenses	779,464.26	774,114.68	285,393.06	849,256.84
3,442,399.18	4,201,627.82	3,261,042.61	2,539,386.43	Operating Income (Loss)
Non-operating revenues, expenses,		-	,,	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
(Less interest expense)	,	-		
Income Before Taxes	3,442,399.18	4,201,627.82	3,261,042.61	2,539,386.43
(Less income tax expense)		=	1 , , , -	
3,442,399.18	4,201,627.82	3,261,042.61	2,539,386.43	Income From Continuing Operations
{42}	[42]	[42]	1	[42]
Below-the-Line Items	1	1		1
Income from discontinued operation	ons			
Extraordinary items	-			
Cumulative effect of accounting cha	anges			
3,442,399.18	4,201,627.82	3,261,042.61	2,539,386.43	Net Income
NOTE:	-,,	-,,•	_,,	

8. ANY ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

The level of commitment and expanded funding underscores the increased embedding of PNG EITI in key government agencies and its profile in the broader good governance dialogue within PNG. The National Secretariat has approached external assistance in the subsequent reporting periods to support targeted outreach and awareness campaigns, capacity building for MSG members and the National Secretariat office, and most importantly to implement a number of priority recommendations from the first report.

9. <u>DISCUSSIONS BEYOND MSG LEVEL</u>

This report was circulated among the MSG members and the members had shared and discussed the report with their constituents before it was finalized. The report was posted on the PNGEITI website. It is also intended that the progress report will be released in the local newspapers by the Chairman of the PNGEITI MSG (Minister for Treasury).

10. MULTI-STAKEHOLDER GROUP 2017 MEETING RECORDS

Table 31: PNGEITI MSG Meetings attendance summary

Meeting	Meeting 01/2016	Meeting 02/2016	Meeting 03/2016	Meeting 04/2016 (Special Meeting on Draft 2015 and 2016 EITI Reports)
Date	Monday 06 Th March 2017	Friday 02 nd June 2017	Friday 29 September 2017	Friday 24 th November 2017
Meeting Duration	10:00 AM-12:30 PM	9:00 AM- 12:00 PM	9:30 AM- 12:00 PM	9:00 AM- 12:00 PM
Location	MRA Conference Room, Mining Haus, Konedobu	Lamana Conference Room	08 th Floor Conference Room Treasury Building Waigani	Laguna Hotel Conference Room
Chair	Donald Hehona Acting Chair of the PNGEITI MSG and First Assistant Secretary for Sectoral Policy Division Department of Treasury	Manu Momo Acting Chairman of PNGEITI MSG and Deputy Secretary for Economic Policy Department of Treasury	Philip Samar Acting Chairman of PNGEITI MSG and Managing Director Mineral Resources Authority	Mr Arnold Lakamanga Acting Chairman of PNGEITI MSG and Manager GIS Mineral Resources Authority
Government	Mr Langa Kopio-Department of National Planning Mr Timothy Mais & Mr Ismael Sunga - Department of Treasury Mr Arnold Lakamanga & Dianne Aikung- Mineral Resources Authority Ms Ketty Masu & Ms Maggy Buf- Internal Revenue Commission	Mr Langa Kopio-Department of National Planning Mr Manu Momo- Department of Treasury Mr Arnold Lakamanga- Mineral Resources Authority Ms Ketty Masu- Internal Revenue Commission	Mr Langa Kopio-Department of National Planning Mr Maku Kiap – Auditor General Mr Philip Samar, Mr Arnold Lakamanga & Dianne Aikung- Mineral Resources Authority Ms Ketty Masu & Ms Maggy Buf- Internal Revenue Commission	Ms Ketty Masu, Mr Albert Kenny & Ms Maggy Buf- Internal Revenue Commission Mr Maku Kiap – Auditor General Mr Arnold Lakamanga- Mineral Resources Authority Mr Asavi Kendua-Department of National Planning Ms Carolyn Miana – State Solicitors Office
Industry	Mr Peter Aitsi- Newcrest Mining Limited Mr Stanley Yarka- Exxon Mobil PNG Mr Emmanuel Powuh David & Ms Leah Morlin-PNG Chamber of Mines and Petroleum	Mr Philip Blanchard- Total E&P Limited, Mr Robert Aisi- Exxon Mobil PNG, Mr Jimmy Yareba- PNG Chamber of Mines and Petroleum, Mr Cornelius Soagai- Oil Search Limited, Mr Peter Aitsi- Newcrest Mining Limited	Mr Robert Aisi- Exxon Mobil PNG, Ms Leah Morlin-PNG Chamber of Mines and Petroleum, Mr Cornelius Soagai- Oil Search Limited	Mr Philip Blanchard- Total E&P Limited, Mr Stanley Yarka- Exxon Mobil PNG, Mr Kepas Wali- Harmony Gold, Mr Cornelius Soagai- Oil Search Limited, Gerthrude Elai- Barrick Niugini Limited

CSO	Mr Paul Barker- Institute of National Affairs Ms Elizabeth Avaisa- Consultative Implementation and Monitoring Council Mr Martyn Namorong - PNG Resource Governance Coalition Ms Mayambo Peipul- Business Coalition Against Corruption	Ms Marjorie Andrew- Institute of National Affairs Ms Wallis Yakam- Consultative Implementation and Monitoring Council Mr Patrick Lombaiya- PNG Mine Watch Group	Ms Wallis Yakam- Consultative Implementation and Monitoring Council Mr Patrick Lombaiya- PNG Mine Watch Group Mr Paul Barker- Institute of National Affairs Mr Yuambari Haihuie Transparency International PNG	Mr Paul Barker- Institute of National Affairs Mr Patrick Lombaiya- PNG Mine Watch Group
SOE	Nil	Ms Esther Yuyuge- Kumul Petroleum Holdings Limited	Ms Esther Yuyuge- Kumul Petroleum Holdings Limited	KPHL, MRDC
National Secretariat	Mr Lucas Alkan- Head of PNGEITI National Secretariat Mr Christopher Tabel- Communications Specialist Ms Liyasi Numaralai – Administration officer	Mr Lucas Alkan- Head of PNGEITI National Secretariat Mr Christopher Tabel- Communications Specialist Ms Liyasi Numaralai – Administration officer Ms Delka Kemba – Finance officer Gedion Timothy- Contract Writer	Mr Lucas Alkan- Head of PNGEITI National Secretariat Mr Christopher Tabel- Communications Specialist Mr Vaieke Vani – Policy and Technical officer Ms Liyasi Numaralai – Administration officer Gedion Timothy- Contract Writer	Mr Lucas Alkan- Head of PNGEITI National Secretariat Mr Christopher Tabel- Communications Specialist Mr Francis Diakon – Procurement Officer Mr Gedion Timothy- Contract Writer
Observer	Nil	PNGRGC, DNPM	Steven Obrien and Clifford Zazeng (O'Briens Lawyers) Shimar Saxena (KPMG)	James Gore (IA), Leonard Catalon (IA), Margaret George (JICA), Ryusuke Watanabe (JICA)
Apologies	Mr Manu Momo- Department of Treasury Mr Philip Samar- Mineral Resources Authority	Mr Paul Barker- Institute of National Affairs Mr Kepsy Puiye- Department of Petroleum and Energy Mr Lawrence Stephens- Transparency International PNG	Nil	Nil

Approved by PNGEITI MSG dated Friday 29 th June 2018 during MSG Meeting No. 02/2018 in Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea					