



"AUSTRALIA AND FIJI: AN ENDURING BUSINESS PARTNERSHIP"
INTERCONTINENTAL SYDNEY HOTEL, SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA
12 TO 13 OCTOBER 2017

The Australia Fiji Business Council and the Fiji Australia Business Council Fiji are pleased to announce that the 23rd Australia Fiji Business Forum will be held at the Intercontinental Sydney Hotel, Sydney, on 12 – 13 October 2017. The Forum theme is "Australia and Fiji: Exploring Business Opportunities Together". You are invited to register and attend.

First held in 1987 and most years since, the Business Forum is the annual bilateral business meeting between Australian and Fijian business and government. Participants have an unparalleled opportunity to learn about business opportunities in Fiji, and to network with senior Australia and Fiji based policy makers and senior businesspeople.

The Forum, provides Australian business with information on current opportunities for business in Fiji as well as provide an opportunity to bring more closely together Australian and Fijian business which already have a long history of partnership and cooperation.

The program includes Australian and Fiji Government Keynote Addresses by senior members of each government and specific sessions by expert presenters on the the Fijian economy, information for potential investors in Fiji, an update on Cyclone Winston reconstruction and rehabilitation, opportunities for private participation in Fiji's public enterprises, opportunities in Fijian agriculture, Fiji's manufacturing sector, and opportunities for business growth.

Outcomes from the meeting for attending business will be improved understanding by businesses in Australia and Fiji of the opportunity for further developing the bilateral business and investment relationship, and identification for government of any issues which business groups in each country regard as requiring government policy or administrative action to facilitate bilateral business and investment growth.

The Fiji market offers opportunities for Australian companies in a range of services related to the operation and refurbishment of tourist resorts, building and construction, capital works in infrastructure including roads and bridges, power, water and sewerage, ports and airports, food and beverage and ICT products and services including back office and remote services.

The provisional program and booking forms are attached. **Register early** for this conference as space is limited and demand will be heavy. Early registration (**by 30 September 2017**) attracts an early bird registration discount.

There remain opportunities for sponsorship of various segments of the conference. Please contact Mr Frank Yourn, Executive Director of the Australia Fiji Business Council, on telephone + 61 7 3348 5142 or by e-mail at frank@australiapacificbusiness.org.au to discuss your interest.

General enquiries can be directed to Ms Lillian Chapman, Business and Events Manager at the Australia Fiji Business Council (lillian@australiapacificbusiness.org.au)(Tel: +61 3348 5142) or if in Fiji you can contact Ms Seini Lakai, Fiji Australia Business Council on telephone +679 310 0071 or by e-mail info@fabc.com.fj.

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PROVISIONAL PROGRAM

Note: This is an invited speaker program and some speakers are still to be confirmed at the time of printing. Additional speakers may be included.

THURSDAY 12 OCTOBER 2017.

Forum Opening Cocktail Reception. Westpac Pacific Forum Opening Dinner.

FRIDAY 13 OCTOBER 2017.

Welcome to Delegates:

Mr Greg Pawson, President, Australia Fiji Business Council.

Keynote addresses:

Rear Admiral (retired) J V Bainimarama, Prime Minister of Fiji.

The Hon Steven Ciobo MP, Minister for Trade, Tourism and Investment, Government of Australia.

MORNING TEA

The Fiji Economy:

The Hon Faiyaz Koya MP, Minister for Industry, Trade, Tourism, Lands and Mineral Resources.

Investing in Fiji: What You Need To Know:

Mr Godo Mueller-Tuet, CEO, Investment Fiji.

Rebuilding for the Future After Cyclone Winston:

Mr Richard Warren, Infrastructure Specialist, Australian Civilian Corps. Mr Damian Fisher, Senior International Development Manager, Standards Australia.

Fiji's Public Enterprises: Improving Economic Efficiency:

Mr David Kolitagane, Permanent Secretary for Public Enterprises.

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Agriculture:

The Hon Inia Seruiratu MP, Minister for Agriculture, Rural and Maritime Development and National Disaster Management. Mr Roger Masters, CEO, Buderim Ginger. Mr Nafitalai Cakacaka, Fiji Development Bank.

Supporting Fiji's Business Growth:

Mr John Harden, Business Advisor, Pacific Business Investment Facility.
Mr Chad Morris, General Manager - Investment and Tourism, Pacific Trade Invest.

AFTERNOON TEA

Taking Fiji Products to the World:

Mr Rob Cromb, Managing Director, Kookai Limited. Mr Mike Spencer, General Manager, Paradise Beverages Fiji.

Closing Remarks:

Mr David Aidney, President, Fiji Australia Business Council.

Closing Drinks.





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DELEGATE BOOKING FORM ABN 76 165 044 530

To: Australia Fiji Business Council, PO Box 422, Wynnum, QLD, 4178 (Fax: +61 7 3348 5172) or by e-mail to lillian@australiapacificbusiness.org.au.or book online at http://events.afbc.org.au/event/23AFBF/

An invoice will be sent out within 7 days of receipt of this booking form. Bookings are accepted subject to space availability, and will be confirmed only upon receipt of full payment.

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Offering delegates a 10% discount on the going rate for travel between 12 and 14 October 2017.

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- 1. Select Travel Dates and the Number of People travelling hit SEARCH
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- 4. Fill in all required details to confirm your booking and hit COMPLETE BOOKING
- 5. An email confirmation will be sent once all details have been processed.
- 6. Once booking is confirmed, it can be accessed via My Bookings on the same website by logging in using the **Reservation number on your confirmation** and **the Surname on the booking**.

***PLEASE NOTE: promo codes are only valid for bookings made online; rooms are subject to availability & will require full prepayment. Bookings will also be subject to any minimum night stay restrictions as listed on the website. Online Terms and Conditions apply to these bookings. For full terms & conditions please visit http://www.mghotels.com.au/terms-and-conditions/.





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DELEGATES' HANDBOOK ADVERTISING BOOKING FORM

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Businesses with interests in Australia or Fiji are invited to advertise in the Delegates' Handbook at the Forum. **This opportunity** is open to companies attending or not attending the Forum.

By advertising in the Delegates' Handbook, you will bring your company to the attention of very senior executives in business in Australia and Fiji and senior government officials from both countries, and will mark your company as a supporter of the business relationship.

Advertising rates range from AUD 175 to AUD 600 for a full colour advertisement.

To take advantage of this opportunity to associate your company with the Forum, and to be an advertiser in the Delegates' Handbook, please complete the attached tax invoice and return it to the Secretariat. The Secretariat will then liaise with you on the detail of your advertisement.

Bookings will be taken on a first-come-first-served basis, and will be confirmed when full payment is received.

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