



Agenda

Conflict and Peace-building in the Pacific Island States

DATES:	Wednesday 14 May 2008
TIME:	11.00am-13.00pm (Aust EST)
LOCAL TIMES:	Fiji: Wednesday 14 May, 13.00pm-15.00pm (Suva local time) Timor Leste: Wednesday 14 May, 10.00am-12.00am (Dili local time) Papua New Guinea: Wednesday 14 May, 11.00am-13.00pm (Port Moresby local time) Vanuatu: Wednesday 14 May, 12.00pm-14.00pm (Port Vila local time) Solomon Island: Wednesday 14 May, 12.00pm-14.00pm (Honiara local time)
VENUE IN AUSTRALIA:	
Canberra:	GDLN-Australia, Crawford Building, GDLN room
VENUES IN FIJI:	University of South Pacific
TIMOR LESTE:	Dili Distance Learning Centre
PAPUA NEW GUINEA:	PNG Distance Learning Centre
VANUATU:	University of South Pacific, Port Vila
SOLOMON ISLAND:	University of South Pacific, Honiara

CONTENT:

The aim of this seminar, delivered in five sessions each of two hours, is for participants to understand the deep and underlying causes of conflict in the region, some of the consequences of conflict, and how conflict can be resolved and the causes of conflict addressed. The focus of discussion will be on examples of conflict, conflict-resolution and peace-building from the region, notably from Timor Leste, Fiji, Solomon Islands and Papua New. Presenters of the sessions are all persons with extensive experience in the region, who have undertaken conflict analysis and conflict resolution work of various kinds in the countries in question.

The second session, on Wednesday 14th May, will deal with “**Peace-Making and Building – External ‘Hard’ Interventions** (for example, United Nations’ intervention in Timor-Leste and RAMSI in Solomon Islands).” The session will begin with a short discussion of peace making building and the uses that can be made of such theories.

PRINCIPAL PRESENTER: Ron May

Emeritus Fellow, State, Society and Governance in Melanesia Program; Convenor, Centre for Conflict and Post-conflict Studies, Asia Pacific.

Dr May retired from the Department of Political and Social Change - of which he was a foundation member - in December 2004 and took up the position of Emeritus Professorial Fellow in the State, Society and Governance Project. He has several career highlights including Senior Economist, Reserve Bank of Australia (1957-72); Director, Institute of Applied Social and Economic Research, Papua New Guinea (1972-78); Associate Director of RSPAS, 1989-1990; Visiting Scholar, Macmillan Brown Centre for Pacific Studies, University of Canterbury, 2002; Awarded Independence Medal, Papua New Guinea (1977).

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Session 2, Wednesday 14 May, 2008

Peace-Making and Building – External ‘Hard’ Interventions

Time Timor Leste	Time Aust (Canberra) PNG	Time Fiji (Suva)	Time in Vanuatu and Solomon Island	(Mins)	Speaker	Activity	Site
10.00-10.10	11.00-11.10	13.00-13.10	12.00-12.10	10	Ron May	Introduction of speaker (Ron May) INTRODUCTION & OVERVIEW	Canberra Fiji Timor Leste Papua New Guinea Vanuatu Solomon Island
10.10-10.25	11.10-11.25	13.10-13.25	12.10-12.25	15	Ron May		Canberra
10.25-10.40	11.25-11.40	13.25-13.40	12.25-12.40	15	Ron May	Q & A time	Canberra Fiji Timor Leste Papua New Guinea Vanuatu Solomon Island
10.40-10.55	11.40-11.55	13.40-13.55	12.40-12.55	15	Ron May		Canberra
10.55-11.10	11.55-12.10	13.55-14.10	12.55-13.10	15	Ron May	Q & A time	Canberra Fiji Timor Leste Papua New Guinea Vanuatu Solomon Island
11.10-11.25	12.10-12.25	14.10-14.25	13.10-13.25	15	Ron May		Canberra
11.25-11.35	12.25-12.35	14.25-14.35	13.25-13.35	10	Ron May	Q and A Time	Canberra Fiji Timor Leste Papua New Guinea Vanuatu Solomon Island
11.35-11.45	12.35-12.45	14.35-14.45	13.35-13.45	10	Ron May		Canberra
11.45-11.55	12.45-12.55	14.45-14.55	13.45-13.55	10	Ron May	General discussion	Canberra Fiji Timor Leste Papua New Guinea Vanuatu Solomon Island
11.55-12.00	12.55-13.00	14.55-15.00	13.55-14.00	5	Ron May	Wrap up	Canberra
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Facilitators

PNG: Dr Orovu Sepoe
Head of Political Science, University of PNG

Fiji: Hamidian Bibi
Manager
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Timor Lester: Mr. Abílio Belo
freelance interpreter