

Eco-Tourism and Connectivity Leads PNG's 3rd Investment Forum in Expo.

Papua New Guinea Welcomes Innovations!



Dubai, United Arab Emirates Jan 19, 2022 ([Issuewire.com](https://www.issuewire.com)) - H.E Hon Timothy Masiu, Papua New Guinea Minister for Information and Communication Technology Opened the 3rd investment forum in the Expo2020 Pavilion's which focused on promoting the eco-tourism and ICT sectors of PNG to the world. The forum is one of the key programs organized by the PNG expo team in Dubai. The forum coincided with the Expo thematic week of "Travel and Connectivity."

H.E. Masiu, PNG Minister for ICT, acknowledged the creativity of the expo theme of "Connecting Minds and Creating the Future", signaled an era of new ideas and innovations to boost trade and investment, one of the keys focuses of the PNG Government.

Where H.E said, "Our culture and environmental diversity makes our country a most attractive destination for travelers, investors, explorers, scientists, and environmental enthusiasts". While he added, "We do not have sufficient air connectivity to major world destinations, including the UAE and the Gulf States. Also domestically, we need roads, wharves, air connectivity, and internet connectivity. Therefore, we need investors and experts to help us plan and sustainably deliver the connectivity system. We need partnerships for mutual gains, and we need plans that respect and are supportive of conserving our environment so that we can continue to live in balance with nature as part of the global

agenda to save our planet from self-destruction.”

The event attracted a number of key business and government officials from the UAE, PNG, The Pacific, and African countries, including the UAE Secretary-General and Chairman of the UAE Chamber of Commerce, H.E Humaid Ben Salem, who officiated at the event.

H.E Salem in his statement acknowledged that this was his second time to participate in an event organized by PNG during the Expo, and he was appreciative of PNG maximizing its participation in the Expo through the hosting of such events. PNG also organized a roundtable discussion in December 2021 on education, science, and the green economy, which HE Salem was invited to visit and participate in. HE Salem said “technology is driving the world and artificial intelligence, Internet of Things, fin-tech, blockchain, and cloud computing among others, were controlling all sectors around the world”

He also said that "eco-tourism was a natural gift and PNG could use the Expo to expand its tourism development while sharing UAE natural and eco-tourism experiences such as deserts, sand dunes, mangroves, and beaches ”.

Enhancing the Eco-Tourism of PNG and increasing the middle east community's awareness about Papua New Guinea and the pacific showed high interest from different participants and speakers, highlighting PNG culture, heritage, and nature that can attract more visitors to enjoy living in balance with nature!

PNG 3rd investment forum also welcomed innovations, considered as one of the most active business programs during Expo that welcomes new ideas and creative minds on stage! Wherein Mr. Noha Jaheen, owner and founder of [JAHEEN's Companies](#), presented one of the top sustainable development strategies for the first time in Expo, exclusive on PNG s Investment Forum. The mentioned development strategy invited all to work smart and cooperate to become an effective player in the global energy transformation that gives us all a great chance to protect our environment from global warming. The strategy took attention highly from the PNG and the Pacific participating teams, where she said," We can get out from Expo with huge cooperation that does not only take Papua New Guinea to the next level of development but also takes all the Pacific Islands to the next level of development, so always play it smart not hard!".

Finally, the event had been ended with thankful words for all attendance and speakers from Mr. Joshua Kalinoe, Papua New Guinea Expo Commissioner General and Ambassador to Brussels and the European Union.



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