



Knowledge Exchange Sessions

Session Three

OVERVIEW AND REGISTRATION

DAY TWO - WEDNESDAY 16TH DECEMBER

SESSION THREE - 14:30-15:50 AEDT

RISK COMMUNICATIONS IN ONE HEALTH AND
COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES,
ACCESSIBILITY AND REGULATORY ISSUES IN THE PACIFIC

Presentation One: Risk Communications in One Health

Risk Communications in One Health – How to plan and execute project communications using a risk communications framework. The session will be delivered from a practitioner perspective drawing on case studies from PNG and Solomon Islands and support participants to consider why communications needs to be built into the start of projects, why audience matters most, and what are some of the communication tools available.

Presenter: Jeremy Miller

Jeremy Miller is a strategic media and communications specialist with over 15 years of experience in the Asia Pacific region. He is currently supporting a range of development communication activities in the Autonomous Region of Bougainville, PNG, including the COVID-19 emergency response, and is supporting the scale up of risk communications and One Health approaches in the countries of the Greater Mekong River subregion. Recently he led the media, communications and community engagement campaign for the Bougainville Referendum Commission. He has also worked extensively in Solomon Islands, as well as Fiji, Vietnam, Laos and Nepal.

Presentation Two: Communication and Information Technologies, Accessibility and Regulatory Issues in the Pacific

This session will focus on communication and information technologies, in particular mobile telephones, internet and social media. It will introduce accessibility and regulatory issues in the Pacific. Specifically, it will reflect on the vulnerabilities of the telecommunication sector, which could present concerns about sustainability and reliability, as well as potential hurdles for development programs.

A brief presentation will consider the challenges faced by telecommunication companies and explore market competition issues. Two key telecommunication sector vulnerabilities that will be discussed briefly will be natural disasters and cybersecurity. The presentation will be followed by time for questions and discussion.

Presenter: Dr Amanda H A Watson

Dr Amanda H A Watson is a Research Fellow with the Department of Pacific Affairs at Australian National University. Dr Watson's research focuses on communication and information technologies in the Pacific region, including mobile telephones, the internet and social media, with attention on personal use, strategic use and regulatory issues. Her work has been published in various academic journals. She has also written book chapters, blog posts, policy briefs, discussion papers, book reviews and reports.

Format

This session will be delivered as two presentations followed by time for questions and discussion.