# DRAFT Samoa: Economic Update

**Tuesday 18 September**  
Venue: Stevenson’s Fale, Hotel Kitano Tusitala

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| 8.45-9.25 | **WELCOME**                                  | Afioga Magele Mauiliua Magele  
Vice-Chancellor, National University of Samoa          |
| 9.25-10.00 | **Economic survey of Samoa**                 | Afoa Kolone Va’ai  
Managing Director, KVA Consult                         |
| 10.00-10.10 | **Comment**                                  | Afioga Afamasaga Toleafoa  
Former Member of Parliament                              |
| 10.10-10.30 | **Discussion**                              |                                                      |
| 10.30-11.00 | **Morning Tea**                             |                                                      |
| 11.00-11.20 | **Sustaining public sector reforms in Samoa** | Desmond Amosa  
University of the South Pacific                        |
| 11.20-11.50 | **Discussion**                              |                                                      |
| 11.50-12.10 | **Tourism development in the Pacific**      | Tony Everitt  
South Pacific Tourism                                    |
| 12.10-12.20 | **Discussion**                              |                                                      |
| 12.30-1.30  | **LUNCH**                                    |                                                      |
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**CHAIR**

Tuuu Ieti Taulealo (TBC)
CEO, Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment

1.30-1.50  
**Preparing the Pacific for Climate Change**  
South Pacific Regional Environment Programme (Director SPREP, Asterio) - TBC

1.50-2.00  
Comment 2 NUS students (TBC)

2.00-2.10  
Discussion

2.10-2.30  
**The Pacific community in New Zealand**  
Paul Callister

2.30-2.45  
Discussion

2.45-3.15  
**AFTERNOON TEA**

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**CHAIR**

Seumanutafa Malaki Iakopo  
CEO Ministry of Agriculture

3.15-4.15  
**PANEL DISCUSSION**  
Agriculture’s role in the development of Pacific island countries, especially Samoa  
Bob Warner  
Centre for International Economics  
Heiko Bammann - Sub Regional Office for the Pacific Food and Agriculture Organization

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