

## MSG Secretariat Staff joins UNFCCC Roster of Experts

The Director General of the MSG Secretariat, Mr. Peter Forau is proud to announce the nomination of Mr. Stanley Wapot, the MSG Secretariat's Environment and Climate Change Analyst to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) Roster of Experts on conduct of greenhouse gas (GHG) inventory reviews for Annex I Parties (developed

countries) under the Climate Change Convention and its Kyoto Protocol. Mr. Wapot has been nominated by the Government of Vanuatu as host of the MSG Secretariat based in Port Vila, Republic of Vanuatu.

Mr. Forau said, "This is a proud moment for our region and our small organization and I congratulate Mr. Wapot for this historic achievement on his successful completion of the mandatory courses under the Kyoto Protocol for review of National Inventory Reports (NIR) by Annex I Parties. Based on his successful completion of the courses, he has been invited to become part of the Expert Review Team (ERT)." He added that Mr. Wapot's appointment to the review team is a milestone achievement for the region and for him as an individual and is consistent with the organization's policy in encouraging staff to go beyond the extra mile in developing their skills and furthering their knowledge in their respective areas of expertise.

Prior to joining the MSG Secretariat in June 2013, Mr. Stanley Wapot was the UNDP National Coordinator for PNG's Second National Communication to the UNFCCC based at the PNG Department of Environment & Conservation (DEC) and later at the Office of Climate Change & Development (OCCD).

As a UNFCCC fellow in 2011 working at the UNFCCC Secretariat in Bonn, Germany Mr. Wapot worked on reviewing the Non-Annex I (developing countries) GHG Inventory preparation tool as his research project contributing to the revised UNFCCC Inventory Software update for use by Compilers.

Mr. Wapot hails from Sohun village, Namatanai in the New Ireland Province of Papua New Guinea (PNG).

"I take this opportunity to congratulate Stanley, the government and people of PNG, especially the people of Stanley's province and village for the international recognition which one of her citizens has been afforded that will certainly promote PNG, MSG and New Ireland Province in the global climate change arena. All of us at the Secretariat are very proud of Stanley's latest achievement and wish him well in his role", said Mr Forau.

For more information about the media release, please contact Mr. Stanley Wapot, Environment & Climate Change Analyst via email at: <a href="mailto:sj.wapot@msg.int">sj.wapot@msg.int</a>

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