



# CORE Update

*A monthly update from PNG Chamber of Resources & Energy*

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*PNG CORE Councilors at the organization's recent Annual General Meeting. (From Left to Right) Kepas Wali, Leon Buskens, Richard Kassman (Senior Vice President), Maygen Turliu, Anthony Smarè (President), Karo Maha-Lelai, Assik Tommy Tomscoll (Vice President), Stanley Komunt, Mark McMonagle, and Hitesh Lal. (Absent is Councilor John Lewins)*

## PNG CORE Renews Council, Adds 2 Female Leaders

The Papua New Guinea Chamber of Resources & Energy (PNG CORE) added 2 new female councilors to its council at its recent Annual General Meeting (AGM) as CORE's membership renewed its council and leadership.

The AGM confirmed the re-election of President Anthony Smarè as independent President, and Senior Vice President Richard Kassman (TotalEnergies), who will continue in their roles for another term of 12 months. Assik Tommy Tomscoll (Ramu Nico) was elected unopposed as Vice President, succeeding former VP Philip Samar who retired from the position. Mrs. Karo Maha-Lelai, Country Manager for New Porgera Limited in PNG, and Ms. Maygen Turliu, Partner at Deloitte PNG were also elected to the council as 2 new additions, whilst Kepas Wali, General Manager External Relations at Harmony SE, Leon Buskens, Santos Country Chair for PNG, and John Lewins, President & CEO of K92 Mining were re-elected, all to serve a new term as Councilors for 2 years.

President Anthony Smarè expressed thanks to the contributions and leadership of outgoing councilors and executives VP Philip Samar and Councilor Andrew Harris (Deloitte) representing service members.

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*Enga Provincial Administrator Sandis Tsaka (2nd from Left) officially receiving the generator from Industry Disaster Relief Committee Deputy Chair Stanley Komunt, and Committee Chair Karo Lelai.*

## Industry Continues Support For Landslide Disaster Communities

As part of the resources industry's response to the Mulitaka disaster relief efforts in Enga Province, the Enga Provincial Administration received a generator this week to assist the Provincial Disaster Team in their work within the affected communities.

Upon receiving this assistance from the Industry Disaster Relief Committee, Enga Provincial Administrator Sandis Tsaka expressed gratitude to the resources industry for their ongoing commitment to supporting the communities, three months after the initial disaster.

*"The Enga Provincial Administration, particularly the Provincial Disaster Office, is extremely thankful for the assistance from the resources industry through the Industry Disaster Relief Committee. We would like to especially acknowledge New Porgera Limited (NPL), which has led efforts with local authorities since the disaster on May 24th, and continues to spearhead initiatives in the affected villages.*

*The response from the industry has been overwhelming, and the Enga Provincial Government is deeply grateful for this ongoing commitment to ensuring that the affected communities continue to receive the assistance they need."*

Industry Disaster Relief Committee Chair Karo Lelai and Deputy Chair Stanley Komunt were present to hand over the generator to the Enga Provincial Government, reaffirming the industry's commitment to collaborating with local authorities to support those impacted.

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*(Left to Right) Leon Buskens (PNG CORE Councilor), Richard Kassman (PNG CORE Senior Vice President), Prime Minister James Marape, Anthony Smaré (PNG CORE President), Stanley Komunt (PNG CORE Councilor) and Kepas Wali (PNG CORE Councilor) at the launch of 2024 PNG Investment Week.*

## Prime Minister Launches 2024 Papua New Guinea Investment Week

PNG CORE is pleased to announce the 2024 Papua New Guinea (PNG) Investment Week.

The event, which will take place from December 6th to 11th, 2024, at the International Convention Centre in Sydney, was officially launched by Prime James Marape on Thursday August 8, 2024.

In his remarks, the Prime Minister acknowledged the partnership between Government and PNG in continuing to promote PNG as an investment destination of choice.

*“The annual PNG Resources & Energy Investment Conference and Expo has been the country’s premier international event, which has enabled our international stakeholders, particularly those within resources & energy, to engage with the State to discuss opportunities in PNG, as well as to progress development of projects within this critical economic sector. Last year’s event was a tremendous success with heads of major mining and energy companies present and promoting investment in PNG.*

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*PNG CORE Staff with ExxonMobil PNG's Public & Government Affairs Team at the recent stakeholder engagement*

## PNG CORE Visits PNG LNG Project Operator

As part of its member engagement activities, staff from PNG CORE recently took part in a stakeholder engagement, hosted by ExxonMobil PNG (EMPNG).

This advocacy session, facilitated by EMPNG's Government Affairs team, provided PNG CORE staff an appreciation of work done by the PNG LNG Project operator, particularly through their external affairs and stakeholder engagement.

PNG CORE Chief operating officer Pansy Taueni-Sialis said it was an informative session which provided insights on what happens in the PNG LNG Project especially around benefit sharing agreements, licenses, ongoing trade and investment relations, landowner benefits and the overall operations of the project.

*"As the industry peak body for the mineral, petroleum and energy sectors, it's important for the PNG CORE team to understand the dynamics of what happens in a project to provide relevant support especially in advocacy and policy projects like PNG LNG. We are grateful for this opportunity to have our team attend this workshop."*

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*Jean Martin, Head of Santos Foundation and Augustine Mano, Managing Director of MRDC displaying the signed MoU between Santos Foundation and MRDC*

## Santos Foundation and MRDC sign Community Development partnership

Santos Foundation and the Mineral Resources Development Company Limited (MRDC) signed a Memorandum of Understanding today, 26 August 2024, to enhance the development of Nipa-Kutubu District, Southern Highlands Province.

This partnership focuses on six strategic priorities within the Nipa-Kutubu District: upgrading education infrastructure and resources, enhancing security, law and justice through youth involvement, and creating sustainable employment and agricultural opportunities for young people. Additionally, MRDC's community infrastructure and social programs, facilitate comprehensive registration for the PNG Civil and Identity Registry's NID Project in district, and support the improvement of water, sanitation, and hygiene in the district.

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## Newmont relaunches flagship anti-violence program, Trupla Meri Trupla Man



Newmont PNG has relaunched an innovative anti-violence program that links behaviours both outside and inside the workplace and promotes happy, safe and productive homes, communities and places of work. [Read more...](#)

## OTML's 26 new apprentices sign indenture contracts



The 26 trainee apprentices that recently joined the Ok Tedi Mining Limited's (OTML) apprenticeship training programme for 2024 have successfully signed their indenture contracts with the company and the National Apprenticeship Trade Testing Board (NATTB) on July 24th in Tabubil. [Read more...](#)



## PNG CORE would like to welcome our new members for July and August

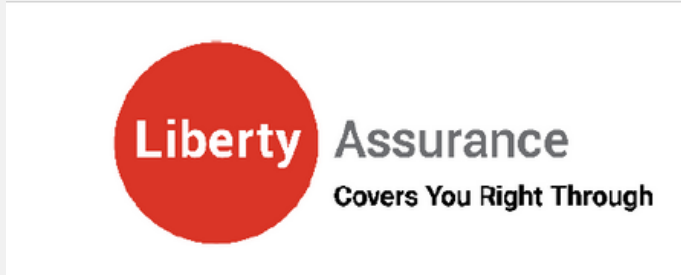


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## Committee Updates



Members of PNG CORE's Mining Committee with staff of the MRA's Mineral Production Live Data Hub/Centre.

Members of PNG CORE's Mining Committee last month made an official visit to the Mineral Resources Authority's Mineral Production Live Data Hub/Centre.

The visit was part of PNG CORE's ongoing efforts to enhance industry knowledge and ensure the mining sector operates efficiently.

This allowed members to gain a first-hand insight into the centre, its processes, and the overall operations to better understand the mechanisms in place for monitoring and managing mineral production data, which is crucial for maintaining transparency and accountability within the industry.





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- AUD 100 Discount per Delegate for 3-10 group registrations**
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Contact us for the link to register as a group via email: [events@pngcore.org](mailto:events@pngcore.org)

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## 2024 Industry Recognition Awards

Are you making a change in the resources and energy sector?

Tell us through the 2024 Industry Recognition Awards. The aim of the 2024 Industry Recognition Awards is to recognise outstanding contributions of organizations within the resources and energy sector in promoting health, safety, and environment values and practices as well as their efforts toward meaningful humanitarian activities in communities in which they operate.

The 2024 Chamber Awards categories include:

- 1) Outstanding Health and Safety Initiative 2024
- 2) Outstanding Environmental & Climate Change Initiative 2024
- 3) Outstanding Humanitarian Initiative 2024

Download the form here: <https://bit.ly/IndustryRecognitionAwardsForm>



**2024 INDUSTRY RECOGNITION AWARDS**

**CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS**

**WE WANT TO HEAR YOUR STORY!**

Are you making a change in the resources and energy sector?

Tell us what you're doing to change lives and raise the bar in your project and the surrounding communities.

This is your time to shine at the Industry Recognition Awards during the 2024 Investment Week in Sydney, Australia.

1. Outstanding Health & Safety Initiative
2. Outstanding Environmental & Climate Change Initiative
3. Outstanding Community Humanitarian Initiative

**DON'T MISS OUT!**

Send us your submissions no later than **5pm Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November, 2024**

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## PNG CORE BOMO Special Offer

For a limited time, we're inviting non-members to join PNG CORE through our Booth & Membership Offer (BOMO).

Take advantage of our exclusive offer today to become a valued member and secure a standard exhibition booth for the upcoming 2024 PNG Investment Week in Sydney, Australia.

Register here: <https://pnginvestmentweek.com.pg/exhibition/>



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