# STAKEHOLDER UPDATE





Promoting Anti-Corruption & Integrity Strategies

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### WHAT IS THE PAIS PROJECT?

The Promoting Anti-Corruption and Integrity Strategies project works with state agencies to enhance their capacity to address corruption complaints both internally and externally. TIPNG believes that when frameworks and actual practice by agencies to address corruption are working well, it enhances the agency's reputation and strengthens public trust in that agency.

# WHY SHOULD AGENCIES PARTNER WITH THE PAIS PROJECT?

### **Demonstrate Leadership**

As national integrity institutions, the PAIS project offers the opportunity to your organisation to lead the national discussion on governance reforms.

### **Support National Commitment**

With the Government engaging in significant governance reforms as part of its national agenda, the PAIS project provides agencies the opportunity to also act.

### Innovate on Integrity

The PAIS project will provide an objective assessment of integrity gaps and actively seek to address shortfalls with tailored strategies.

### Stay informed

Through publications, meetings and workshops, you can stay up to date with anti-corruption efforts across the country.

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# **WELCOME TO ISSUE #2**

Dear Readers.

It has been a busy first quarter for the project with agencies finalizing their Anti-Corruption Strategies and the first Investigative Journalism Workshop taking place.

Planning has commenced for the second Investigative Journalism Workshop and Civil Society Workshop.

The project is also offering an opportunity to agencies and organizations to book a Lunch & Learn session on the National Integrity Systems Assessment (NISA) 2021 Report. Get in touch with us to book a session!

# STRATEGY DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

In March, we gathered all five of our agencies to have a combined session hosted by the National Economic and Fiscal Commission (NEFC). This was an opportunity for all 5 agencies to meet and discuss the process behind the development of each of their strategies.

We would like to thank Mr. Eric Kumasan, from the NEFC, who helped facilitate this session, and offered great insight to the development and completion of their strategy.

We acknowledge the NEFC, Independent Interim Commission Against Corruption (IICAC) Office, Constitutional and Law Reform Commission Public Service (CLRC), Commission (PSC), National Judicial Staff Services (NJSS) for their commitment to this endeavour, and as they prepare their strategies launch and implementation over the coming months.



Photo: MoU Agency Point of Contact at the NEFC Boardroom

# **INVESTIGATIVE JOURNALISM WORKSHOP 1**

One of the project's major partners is the media. In May 2021, the Investigative Journalism Awards (IJA) was launched, and towards the third quarter of last year, we hosted a series of media engagements with local reporters from their respective media houses.

During these engagements we pre-empted the Investigative Journalism Workshops. through the project's lifetime there will be 2 Investigative Journalism workshops, the first of which was held on March 18th in Port Moresby, and was attended by both working reporters, and final year journalism students.



Photo: Group photo with the workshop participants

The workshop focused on basic research skills, the realities of a working journalist, what Investigative Journalism is, and what it looks like in practice. The students had a chance to hear from former journalists like Alexandar Rheeney who is a former Post Courier Editor and now works with The Samoa Post as Co-Editor; Neville Choi who was there in his capacity as President of the Media Council of PNG; Scott Waide - former EMTV Regional Head of News and Founder **CEO** LEKMAK, former and of Communications and Marketing Lead for TIPNG and former Post-Courier Journalist Michael Arnold, the founding President of

MCPNG and current TIPNG Chair, Mr. Peter Aitsi, and the Journalism Strand Lead from the University of Papua New Guinea (UPNG), Ms. Emily Matasororo.

The sessions were insightful for junior newsroom staff, especially hearing about the experiences of veteran journalists. For the journalism students, it was a further look at the realities of being a working journalist, especially since they had just finished on-the-job training with several media outlets.

The general feeling amongst the participants was to have the training over 2 days, as a lot of the content was compressed to fit the allocated timing; and to also allow for more engagement and interactivity between them and the presenters.

The next Investigative Journalism Workshop will be held in quarter 2 of this year, and will look at other skills that are needed in investigative reporting. We would like to thank our participants from Post-Courier, The National, PNG FM, FM100, Wantok Nius, Sunday Bulletin, TVWan, and the students from the Journalism Strand at UPNG.







Photos L - R: LEKMAK Founder and CEO Scott Waide during his Zoom Presentation. TIPNG Deputy Director - Communications: Yvonne Ngutlick doing Opening Remarks. Media Council PNG President Neville Choi during his presentation on the "Media Code of Ethics."

# SIGN UP FOR A LUNCH & LEARN!



In August 2022, we will be offering Lunch & Learn sessions on the National Integrity Systems Assessment (NISA) 2021 Report.

What are Lunch & Learns?

A 1-hour interactive presentation where we tell you more about the NISA 2021 Report

How do I book a Lunch & Learn?

Contact Daera on Ph: 3234917 or email: daera.ganiga@transparencypng.org.pg and advise of a suitable time and date for your organization

Do I need to provide lunch for my organization? Organizations are free to do what they feel is best for their organization

# **CONTACT US & SIGN UP TODAY!**

# 2022 UPCOMING ACTIVITIES



- Launch of AC Strategy 1 Start of Proof of Concept



- End of Proof of Concept Civil Society Workshop 2
- Lunch and Learns



- Launch of AC Strategies 2 & 3
- Media Workshop 2
- Civil Society Workshop 1



Integrity Summit 2



• Launch of AC Strategies 4 & 5

# **INVESTIGATIVE JOURNALISM AWARDS**

The award aims to recognise and encourage local journalists to take on the challenge of investigative reporting. The media and investigative journalism play a crucial role in bringing allegations of corruption to light and fighting against impunity.

Taking part in this competition increases a journalist public credibility and be recognized as one of the best reporters in the industry and further increases your chance of winning a prestigious honorary award. A journalist's entry will also boost the brand of the media agency that they work with, and play a key role in uncovering, investigating, follow through and exposing the lack of governance in various national issues and scandals.

### **CATEGORIES TO ENTER**

- 1. Investigation into Statutory Appointments and Use of Public Money This category is aimed at uncovering and publishing facts on processes and focuses on Investigative journalism into Administrative reforms on appointments by merit and Financial audits of Public Money including Procurement process of the Government.
- 2. Investigation into Separation of Powers- For this category professional journalists are encouraged to thoroughly investigate the separation of powers and report to the public on the abuse of process and power within the three arms of Government.
- 3. Open Category This is an open category and encourages journalists to discover and expose facts on cases of corruption at all levels of society and exposing scandals. This includes (but not limited to):
- ·Malpractice within the Law Enforcement Agencies.
- ·Political Influence on the Electoral process.
- ·Bribery cases in the Elections
- ·Governance of Political Parties
- ·Transnational Crimes
- ·Sub-National Level Governance

# **CRITERIA**

- 1. Systemic in-depth original reporting
- 2. Forming a hypothesis
- 3. Analyse public documents and data
- 4. Making public things that a secret or hidden
- 5. Focus on social justice and accountability

# **PRIZES**

- · An honorary award
- A journalism gift pack worth K5,000
- Mentorship and training in investigative journalism

# The Investigative Journalism Awards information can be accessed on the TIPNG website, or contact us. | Entries close 15 July 2022

# **TERMS & CONDITIONS**

- The news story(ies) must be published (digitally or by the press) or broadcast as an exclusive or a lead story by the media agency that employs the journalist.
- The news stories submitted to the competition must have been released before June 30th, 2022. Retrospective stories are allowed but there must be follow up done and published between **03rd of May 2021 and June 30th, 2022.**
- There must be evidence of at least two follow-ups from the initial news reported.
- The news story has a greater chance of winning if it instigated some reaction or response from the subject in question.
  - All entries must be submitted with the official TIPNG Investigative Journalism Entry Form.
  - Entries can be hand delivered to TIPNG office, Sec.54, Lot 31 Lokua Avenue, Boroko, NCD.
  - Entries can also be emailed to info@transparencypng.org.pg
  - Those wishing to post in nominations can mail them to:

2021 TIPNG INVESTIGATIVE JOURNALISM AWARDS

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# INTEGRITY INITIATIVES OF **EXCELLENCE AWARDS**

an award recognising an initiative by a national agency which strengthens the integrity of that institution. Initiatives are judged based on their I(ntegrity)-RATE

# **NOMINATIONS ARE NOW OPEN!**



WHAT IS IT? An award recognising an initiative by a national CATEGORIES agency which strengthens the integrity of that institution. Initiatives are judged based on their I(ntegrity)-RATE:

- Innovative: Is this a novel idea that needs to be recognized and given special attention?
- Replicability: Is there scope for this initiative to be initiatives in place. replicated in another state agency?
- Accountability: Does the initiative make sure that those responsible for the provision of a service do so fairly, in compliance with all law and regulations?
- Transparency: Does the initiative provide information in a nomination form. Entries can be hand-delivered to the timely and accessible manner? Information can be relating TIPNG office, Sec. 54, Lot 31 Lokua Avenue, Boroko, to a process, registry or ledgers.
- Empowering: Does the information empower the citizens of Papua New Guinea to take part in using and strengthening our national institutions?

- 1. Digital Accessibility and Inclusion
- 2. Robust Governance Strategy
- 3. Citizen Centered Innovation

This award is open to all agencies in the public sector, civil society, and private sector with existing integrity

Your organization must be nominated by another agency, organization, or institution. Contact TIPNG for more information.

All entries must be submitted with the official TIPNG NCD, or emailed to info@transparencypng.org.pg |

**NOMINATIONS CLOSE 15 July 2022** 

