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## NTPC TO HOST NATIONAL TRAINERS CONFERENCE

Suva, Fiji Islands. Suva, Fiji Islands. More than 200 delegates comprising of industry professionals and Human Resources and Training experts will converge at the Pearl South Pacific Resort in Pacific Harbour for the Fiji National University's National Training and Productivity 4<sup>th</sup> National Trainers Conference (NTC) next week.

The two-day conference will feature a strong line-up of speakers who will share their experiences, perspectives, insights, success stories and the latest business training developments with participants.

Some of the overseas consultants that will feature at this high-level meet are Paul Barett, Group HR Manager for CJ Patel, Warwick MacCormack, Founder and Director of New Zealand based training institute Learn.fast, Mayur Kalbag, a leading international trainer from India, Roger La Salle an ABC TV and TED regular, creator of Matrix Thinking, Mark Stitt, Australian based FIT expert, Craig Sims, Chief Executive Officer for Asco Motors and Australian based psychometric expert Beth Sketcher.

The theme for this year's National Trainer's Conference is "Focused Training – the Global Scope".

NTPC Director Dr Isimeli Tagicakiverata said given its role as the organisation that develops and provides training to the nation's workforce, it's important for organisation to keep updated with the global training and human resource development trends. Hence events such as NTC provide employers and senior HR personnel to listen to best practices and also share their experiences on how they have been able to overcome some of the challenges in the workplace to ensure the organisations end result is achieved.

He said NTPC has a duty to ensure that the trainings are practical, relevant and meet the specific industry needs. At the same time, it ensures that the trainings designed mirror the current practices in the industry and skills acquired are seen as relevant by all stakeholders concerned.

Dr Tagicakiverata also mentioned that the training and development landscape has gone through many changes in form, shape and size and these all constitute the transformation and the restructuring of the training systems in Fiji.

"This also explains NTPC's commitment to reviewing our existing programs to assure that we meet the current needs of industry and align for the future. The world has shifted its paradigm in the way it regards human resources. The National Trainers Conference is as a key opportunity for good CEO's, GM's, Senior Management, HR Managers and the public as a whole to share their passion for training and developing their most valuable asset, its employees, timely presentations, great speakers, well balanced mix of experience and illustration from presentations, good networking and practical experience and success stories," Dr Tagicakiverata said.

"The conference is not limited to executives, but to everyone that shares a passion to train and have an impact on individual's lives. The participants will be sharing their experiences, perspectives, insights, success stories and the latest business training developments is one of the objectives of this conference.

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