

CONSULTATIVE IMPLEMENTATION & MONITORING COUNCIL

Building partnerships and dialogue for Papua New Guinea's long term development

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WHAT IS THE CIMC?

The Consultative Implementation and Monitoring Council was established by the National Executive Council after the National Economic Summit of February 1998. The private sector and civil society representatives who attended the Summit called for a consultative mechanism to be put in place so that recommendations made by the community would be followed up within government circles and implemented through law and policy.

The goal of the CIMC is to ensure that dialogue, through ongoing consultation processes, is sustained between government, private sector and the community at large and recommendations made to government are implemented.

The CIMC Secretariat is based in Port Moresby and administered by the Institute of National Affairs, a private non-profit research institute with a tradition of offering alternative advice to that being given by the public service.

THE CIMC IS TASKED TO

- Provide avenues for discussion on development policy matters through Regional and National Development Forums held every year, Sectoral Committees and working groups.
- Oversee and coordinate implementation of the recommendations endorsed by the Forums.
- Promote constructive, collaborative and practical policy approaches to tackle some of the country's persistent development problems.
- Provide alternative advice to government on development policy.
- Promote applied research and data collection on economic, social and development issues.

The CIMC includes civil society—churches, NGO's, unions, women's groups, youth groups and concerned individuals, as well as the formal and informal business sector and senior public servants. The Minister for Planning and Monitoring is chair person and directly reports to the National Executive Council.

The CIMC runs a number of Sectoral Committees and working groups, which meet on a regular basis and offer advice and criticism on subjects within their own sector.

MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS

The CIMC process has achieved a number of important results and proven to be an invaluable avenue for society to initiate policy. The CIMC has made many submissions to the National Executive Council which have been endorsed and implemented through policy development and the framing of the annual national budget. Some key achievements include:

- Opening up the PNG National Budget process.
- Promoting the maintenance of key infrastructure as a means of enhancing economic development (creation of the National Roads Authority).
- Targeting corruption and its proceeds at all levels (creation of the National Anti-Corruption Alliance; Proceeds of Crime legislation).
- Promoting informal sector development through advocacy, awareness, legislative and policy reforms (Informal Sector Development and Control Act 2004).
- A long term strategy to combat family & sexual violence, including legislative reforms, services for survivors and comprehensive data collection (amendments to the Criminal Code & Evidence Act: creation of the Family Support Centre at Port Moresby General Hospital).
- Highlighting issues for public sector and provincial reform, reconstructing the economy and improving service delivery mechanisms (Impediments to Business Working Group).
- Regulating the private sector security industry (Security (Protection) Industry Act 2004).

WHY YOU SHOULD BELONG

Membership is open to all people and organisations who are genuinely interested in contributing towards Papua New Guinea's development and ensuring a brighter future for our country.

Individuals with a concern for the country's development are encouraged to join Sectoral Committees, participate in the Forums organised in each region, or contact the Secretariat to raise their concerns.

STRUCTURE AND PROCESS OF THE CONSULTATIVE IMPLEMENTATION AND MONITORING COUNCIL

