

Signing for a National Human Resource Development Plan today

A MEMORANDUM OF Understanding (MOU) for the development of a National Human Resource Development Plan (NHDP) will be signed today, Thursday February 22 at the Prime Minister's Office.

The NHDP will be developed by the Department of Strategic Policy, Planning and Aid

Coordination (DSPPAC), in partnership with the Vanuatu Skills Partnership (TVET) to address issues related to skills shortage, including labour and skill needs for sustainable economic growth.

It will be guided by the directives and priorities of the National Sustainable Development Plan.

As part of the MOU, the DSPPAC will provide financial resources and appoint a counterpart officer to work closely with the Vanuatu Skills Partnership to develop the plan.

Works of the plan will commence this month, with initial consultations planned with important stakeholders

and the Vanuatu Qualifications Authority (VQA), Provincial Government Training Boards, and key departments as tourism, industry and agriculture.

All relevant stakeholders including government departments, the Public Service Commission, private and civil society will be

engaged in this in-depth consultation process.

As part of the agreement, DSPPAC will also support the internal strategies, human resources and budget allocations to bring about the human resource development plan for Vanuatu.

The Australian Government funded Vanuatu Skills

Partnership has supported the government in recent years in the development of national strategies and policies including the National Literacy and Numeracy Framework, the Provincial Skills Plans, the Post School Education and Training Policy, and the Disability Inclusion Strategy for the Skills Sector.