

TE KARERE ORA



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Foreign Investment

Kia Orana All,

From the 29th January to 3rd February 2018, the Foreign Investment Officer Metua Robati attended a development training on Investment and Trade Facilitation in Singapore. The training was under the Singapore Cooperation Programme Training Award/ Small Island Developing States Technical Cooperation Programme which was conducted by Global Lab and sponsored Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Singapore. The programme hosted a total of twenty nine participants from all over the globe, many of which were very experienced in the areas of trade and investment facilitation from their respected home countries.

The programme ran for five days and comprised of agendas that provided an overview of the history of Singapore, their development stages that included their low and high moments but most importantly, how they intend to shift and work with the change happening in the global market. From an officer perspective, I was able to see the bigger picture of investment, trade and the important role government agencies play in regards to strategically implementing policies that work with the demand of the country.

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UPCOMING EVENTS	
<u>March</u>	
19-23 Maire Nui Visitor Activities	
24-25 Pasifika 2018 Auckland NZ	
30 Good Friday—Public Holiday	



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Business Development – Staff movement

We would like to welcome Aloma Moore into our Business Development (BD) division. With the recent departure of Kimlyn Rouru, BD has been short staffed. Aloma will be temporarily assisting with the BD and Trade & Marketing (TM) teams. In the BD division, Aloma will be processing loan applications and accounts whilst working alongside Tubale Vakalalabure and Moari Allsworth. Before transferring into the BD division while working as a Finance and Administration Officer, Aloma was responsible with processing and reconciling all clientele's accounts. Also with prior trade event experience, Aloma will be assisting Mona Taio in the upcoming trade events. We look forward to working with her in the future.



Finance & Admin-Upskilling staff

Kia Orana from the Finance and Administration (F & A) Team,

The F & A Team is currently in the process of upskilling one of our very own staff, Christina Turepu. Christina started with us last year in February undergoing basic training as a Temporary F & A Officer. With the assistance of the F & A Team, she was required to learn and mostly handle the administration area of BTIB whilst handling a few of the finance work.

Due to recent staff movements, Christina will need to take on the full role of F & A Officer which requires taking up additional tasks, in particular QuickBooks postings, newsletter article write ups, timesheets and any other higher level tasks that arises from time to time. Christina will be receiving daily training from Aloma Moore until she fully meets her job requirements.

BTIB always encourages staff to train and upskill in order to excel in their job expectation. We hope with this upskilling exercise, it will benefit both our agency as well as Christina.

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Trade & Marketing

Stall holder applications available at BTIB or contact us on 24296 for more information

"go biodegradable"

KEEPING IT GREEN

NIGHT MARKET

*Friday 13th April, 5pm-9pm
Punanganui Market*

Colouring competition, to win
great prizes sponsored by CITC

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