Supporting economic prosperity in the Pacific

Australia is investing in inclusive economic growth, sustainable infrastructure, jobs, skills and connectivity - to ensure prosperity for communities and generations to come.

Together Australia and our partners across the Pacific are streamlining open and transparent trade, providing and taking advantage of commercial opportunities for exporters and investors, supporting jobs and skills development, and providing labour mobility opportunities.



We are deepening our economic and people-to-people connections, including by:

Expanding and improving the **Pacific Australia Labour Mobility (PALM) scheme,** which provides jobs to Pacific and Timor-Leste workers who send home an average of AUD1,500 each per month

Providing new opportunities for Pacific and Timorese nationals to live, work and study in Australia through the **Pacific Engagement Visa**

Supporting critical infrastructure projects, through the Australian Infrastructure Financing Facility (AIFFP), which **employs local workers and stimulates skills development and local economic growth**

Training over **20,000 people (42% female)** since 2007 through the Australia Pacific Training Coalition- Australia's largest skills investment in the Pacific and Timor-Leste

Strengthening social protection systems to support households and communities manage the challenges of socio-economic vulnerability and multi-hazard shocks

Investing in support to help partner governments **build economic resilience** and maintain expenditure on health, education and social servicess

Partnering with multilateral development banks and international financial institutions to help Pacific partners find innovative solutions to economic challenges Financing (in collaboration with partners) critical ICT infrastructure such as the Coral Sea Ccable System, East Micronesia Cable, and branch systems for Palau, Tonga and Tuvalu to deliver **reliable internet connectivity**

Supporting Pacific members to implement the development-focused **PACER Plus** trade agreement

Engaging partners to promote reliable, inclusive and trusted financial channels and support the region's **access to the global financial system**

Increasing cultural and economic ties through Australia's kava trade, with **319 exporters exporting 400,860kg of kava** to Australia since December 2021 (at 31 August 2024)

Supporting a safer, more sustainable, inclusive, and resilient aviation sector that underpins the region's **prosperity and economic development**

Boosting the **private sector and two-way trade** in sectors such as agricultural, tourism, manufacturing and financial services



Sustainable economic growth underpins our shared vision for peace and prosperity



We are transparent and coordinated in our efforts, delivering in line with Pacific priorities