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**Central Bank attends major financial inclusion forum in Fiji**

**(Honiara 02.09.16)** - A team of Central Bank staff will attend the Alliance Financial Inclusion Global Policy Forum in Nadi, Fiji from 7-9 September.

The 2016 AFI Global Policy Forum will be hosted by the Reserve Bank of Fiji at Port Denarau.

According to the Manager of National Financial Inclusion Unit Caroline Kanoko, a large delegation is required to represent CBSI to participate in activities during the week.

“This is the first time CBSI will be represented by a delegation of more than 10 participants, along with 3 other representatives from SIG (MCILLI) and SIWIBA making it 13 in total.”

CSBI representing participants are, Governor, Denton Rarawa, Deputy Governor, Gane Simbe, Dr. Luke Forau, Caroline Kanoko, Norma Qurusu, Raynold Moveni, John Bosco, Uriel Matanani, Natasha Eddie, Magaret Melue, Stinger Palmer. SIWIBA rep is Julie Haro, and Riley Mesepitu from the Solomon Islands Government.

Solomon Islands will participate in the cultural display, including cultural Queen and King and on cultural performances. The Solomon Islands delegation will also have an exhibition booth that will display some of the information regarding the culture and traditions in Solomon Islands, and some highlights of the Financial Inclusion events and activities carried out in the country.

The Forum sessions will explore the linkages between financial inclusion and sustainable development, which have been recognized globally through the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and the Addis Ababa Action Agenda on financing for development.

In line with the conference, AFI is also celebrating its independence as a fully member-owned organization. It is also the first time that AFI's landmark event comes to the Pacific region. Under the theme “Building the Pillars of Sustainable Inclusion” More than 200 participants from almost 60 countries have already confirmed their participation, including 26 Central Bank Governors and Deputy Governors.

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