Agenda item 12:   **Integrated Border Management Systems: Opportunities and next steps**

Recommendations

Members are to note the common approaches to BMS development and identify how members can work together to address emerging BMS risks and challenges

Purpose

This session provides an opportunity for Members to discuss and consider how available Border Management System (BMS) technology can be utilised to support operations and discuss how members can work together to better understand IBMS in the Pacific.

Background

2.   A key component to effective border management is utilising technology to automate specific tasks including data collection, storage and analysis, supporting the determination of the true identify of travellers, and determining the authenticity of travel documentation. Throughout the region PIDC Members continue to explore and adopt new electronic Border Management System (BMS) to advance their domestic capacity in facilitating legitimate traveller while at the same time preventing the irregular entry of non-nationals and establish barriers to those seeking to circumvent migration laws.

3.   This session provides an opportunity to discuss best practices to securing robust and fully integrated BMS; and identify commonalities in business requirements and common approaches to the development of BMS solutions to immigration needs but more importantly identifying how members can better support each other to address emerging BMS risks and challenges.