

Agenda Item 19: Bilateral Session

Recommendation

Members are asked to welcome the bilateral discussions with partner organisations on areas of mutual interest.

Purpose

This session provides an opportunity for Immigration Directors to discuss with other members or with partner organisations thematic areas of mutual interest that they would like to explore collaborating on.

Objectives

The objective of this session is to:

- a) understand organisational challenges and needs specific to immigration agencies impacting operations and delivery of services specific to the Pacific; and
- b) discuss approaches or opportunities to collaborating to meet demands in an evolving and demanding operational environment;

Overview

The PIDC Regular Annual Meeting is the sole regional platform that unites immigration directors, senior immigration officials, and representatives from regional and international organizations operating in the Pacific's immigration sector. Although the meeting's primary focus is on the conference theme, it also offers participants the opportunity to engage in bilateral and multilateral discussions with other members and partner organizations present at the conference.

Consequently, this session is an open session where conference participants are invited to engage in bilateral or multilateral level discussions on areas of mutual interest, programmes or thematic activities that they would like to pursue or collaborate with other members or partner agencies. These engagements, should support and strengthen members own national objectives and regional initiatives and provide insight into issues, build trust with representatives and ensure that everyone can openly contribute to discussions and strengthen cooperation.