OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the Association – which is non-political, non-racial, non-sectarian and non-profitable are:

- 1. To endeavour to promote a common interest and mutual understanding in all matters relative to Australia and Papua New Guinea, and between the peoples of Australia and Papua New Guinea.
- 2. To provide the Queensland business community with a better appreciation of Papua New Guinea's economic and political climate and opportunities for increased economic links.
- 3. To encourage communication between organisations based in Papua New Guinea.
- 4. To stimulate export trade and expand existing trade to Papua New Guinea.
- 5. To organise business development missions to Papua New Guinea.
- 6. To provide a regular meeting forum for members.
- 7. To arrange business seminars and functions for notable Papua New Guineans and Australians to address groups with mutual interests.
- 8. To engage the cooperation of Australian Federal and State Governments to promote trade between business enterprises in Queensland and Papua New Guinea.

ACTIVITIES

Our achievements have been significant and include the following:

- Regular newsletters to provide members with an informative update on relevant information and forth coming events.
- Regular seminars are promoted featuring speakers from Papua New Guinea and local business people who have extensive experience in dealing with both government and industry in Papua New Guinea.
- Publication of a Members' Networking Directory providing up-to-date information on members' activities and product lines.
- Regular meetings of an Executive Committee to plan future activities.
- Functions scheduled or supported: Consul-General's Party (September), Business Breakfasts and Evening Business dinners, Corporate Golf Day or Lawn Bowls.

MEMBERSHIP TYPES

There are three membership types: Corporate, Family and Individual.



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Membership Information and Application Form





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THE IMPORTANCE OF PNG

Because of the geographical proximity to Australia and Papua New Guinea, the two countries share a special relationship. The links are wide-ranging and include agreements on political, investment, consular, security and trade relationships.

Since independence in 1975, there have been some remarkable achievements in the growth and diversity of Papua New Guinea's economy.

Apart from companies investing in major mining, oil and gas projects, there are opportunities for investment, especially in joint ventures with Papua New Guinea businesses in areas such as tourism, timber processing, the processing of marine products, in agricultural extension, health, education and value-added processing.

Queensland is the closest Australian State to Papua New Guinea, and with this natural advantage further enhanced by the direct transport links between them, Queensland companies are well placed to pursue the opportunities available and to contribute to the future of the commercial relationship between Papua New Guinea and Queensland.

THE ASSOCIATION

The Papua New Guinea – Queensland Business Association Inc. was established in November 1990 primarily to help further Papua New Guinea and Queensland's mutual interests in each other's markets in terms of trade and investment. The Association is able to provide assistance to Queensland firms endeavouring to develop export markets and expand existing trade with Papua New Guinea.

The Papua New Guinea – Queensland Business Association became an incorporated body in December 1992 to conduct itself as a single business entity. It was recognised and supported by the Government of Papua New Guinea, through the Office of the Consulate in Queensland, and the State of Queensland.

A small group consisting mainly of people who have lived and served in Papua New Guinea formed the Australia-Papua New Guinea Society Inc. in 1985.

In August 1998, the APNG Society merged with the Papua New Guinea – Queensland Business Association to form the Australia -Papua New Guinea Business and Cultural Society (Inc).

In July 2003, the members voted to shorten the Society's name to that of the Australia Papua New Guinea Association (Inc).

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Company:
Address:
Business Activity:
Contact Person:
Title:
Telephone No
E-Mail:
Corporate Fee: \$150.00 per annum Individual Fee: \$30.00 Family fee: \$60.00
Payment methods:
CHEQUE \$(Cheques made payable to APNG Association (Inc))
MASTERCARD VISA
CARD No///
EXPIRY DATE:/
CARDHOLDER'S NAME:
SIGNATURE:
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