



Tonga hosts Pacific Judicial Leadership Workshop

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Senior Judicial Officers across the region after the first session of the workshop

06th September 2017 The Honourable Chief Justice Owen Paulsen is currently hosting a regional Judicial Leadership Workshop in Nuku'alofa.

Officially opened by the New Zealand High Commissioner to Tonga, Her Excellency Ms. Sarah Walsh, the meeting started yesterday Tuesday, 5th September and will run until Thursday, 7th September at Tanoa International Hotel.

The three days' workshop aimed to explore the meaning of judicial leadership, consider the drivers of change that are facing the courts of the South Pacific and to discuss approaches and tools to support leaders within Pacific Judiciaries.

The workshop will also provide opportunities for senior judicial officers across the region to discuss issues facing their judiciary and develop effective strategies to overcome these issues and strengthen their court systems.

The goal of the Pacific Judicial Strengthening Initiative is to build fairer societies by supporting the courts in the Pacific region to develop more accessible, just, efficient and responsive justice services. The Initiative operates in 14 countries including Cook Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Nauru, Niue, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tokelau, Tonga, Tuvalu and Vanuatu.

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