

Final Annoucement - 30th July 2000

Colleagues,

Just a final word prior to the meeting.

All arrangements are in place for accomodation as requested, and airport transport will be provided - OFP staff themselves should welcome you in most cases.

Papers for the meeting should be made available for copying and distribution on arrival. The opportunity to post these in advance to the SCTB webpage is still available and even an indication of titles would be warmly welcomed.

A final provisional agenda for the meeting is attached below. Meeting hours will follow the usual pattern ie 0830 hrs to 1700 hrs, with an hour and a half for lunch.

In response to several questions about email availability and presentations, I can advise that two PCs will be available for participants for this purpose, with web browsers etc. They can also be used for Telnet or POP through a web-based interface.

In terms of personal access, the IT staff advise that if you come with network cards and cable, and are configured for DHCP, you can pick up a number and go out via POP, HTTP, HTTPS or Telnet, all four of which are open to anybody through the firewall. DHCP capability is sufficient for full access.

The computer projector in the Conference Room works to 1024 x 768 native mode; in association with this, there will be a new Toshiba laptop with CD drive in the room for the whole meeting. Copies of PowerPoint presentations on CD are therefore preferable.

An array of social events, to help relieve the stress of this demanding meeting is being put together, and should amuse.

See you soon - today the weather is balmy and a nice 25 degrees in Noumea. It may not be summer time, but the livin' is easy (at least until plenary); the cotton may not be high but the fish are jumpin' ...