

# In Focus - The Pacific

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# Where are we?



“The (APTC)graduands, are an example of a job-ready workforce that is now equipped to make a difference and help drive social and economic development of this country”.

**Samoan Prime Minister  
(2017)**





# TVET - Essential for economic growth and development



Pacific Forum Leaders have consistently called for increased strengthening of market-driven and relevant skills for Pacific people to respond to a **growing skills gap** and a **rapid growth of unemployment** especially among its youth population.

‘TVET as a **tool for empowering** the peoples of the Pacific, especially the youth, and equip them with the **capabilities, know-how and skills** to support, develop and sustain local, national and regional development efforts’.





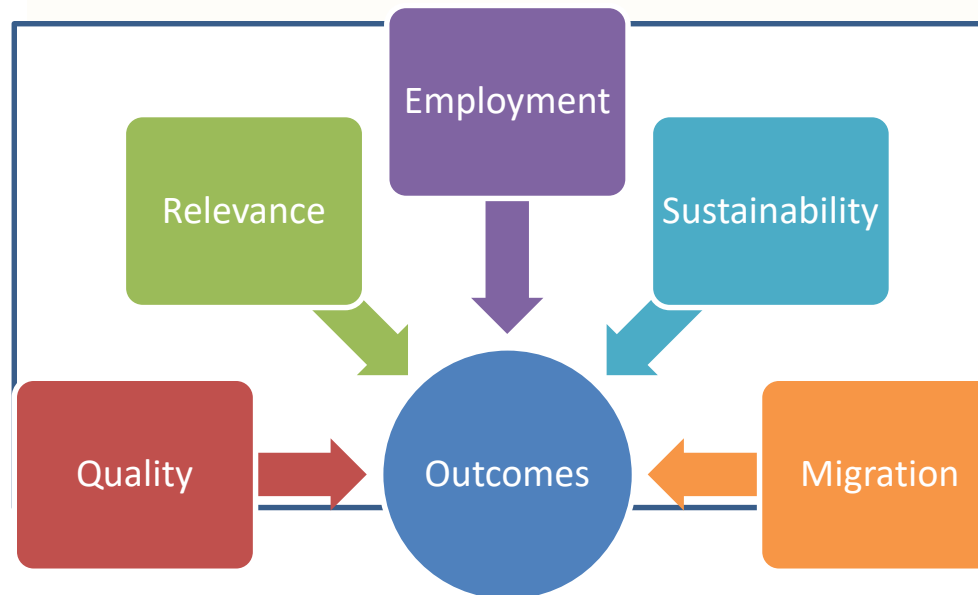
**Australia** is the largest donor to the Pacific.

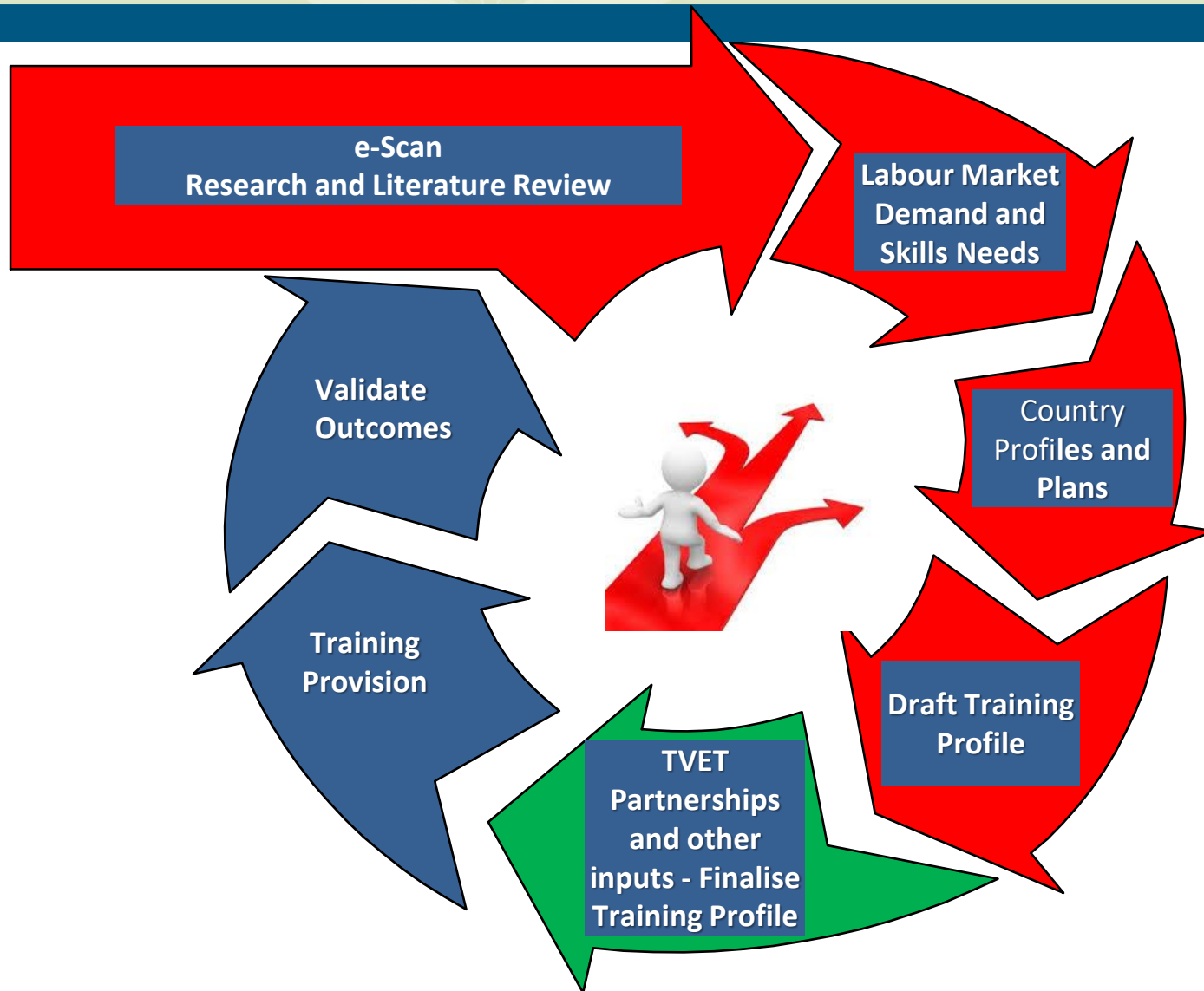
- University of South Pacific
- The New Colombo Plan
- Australia Awards
- APTC
- Bilateral 'Skills' programs
  - Kiribati
  - Tonga
  - Solomon Islands
  - Vanuatu



## GOAL

Contribute to a more prosperous Pacific driven by a skilled, competitive and productive workforce

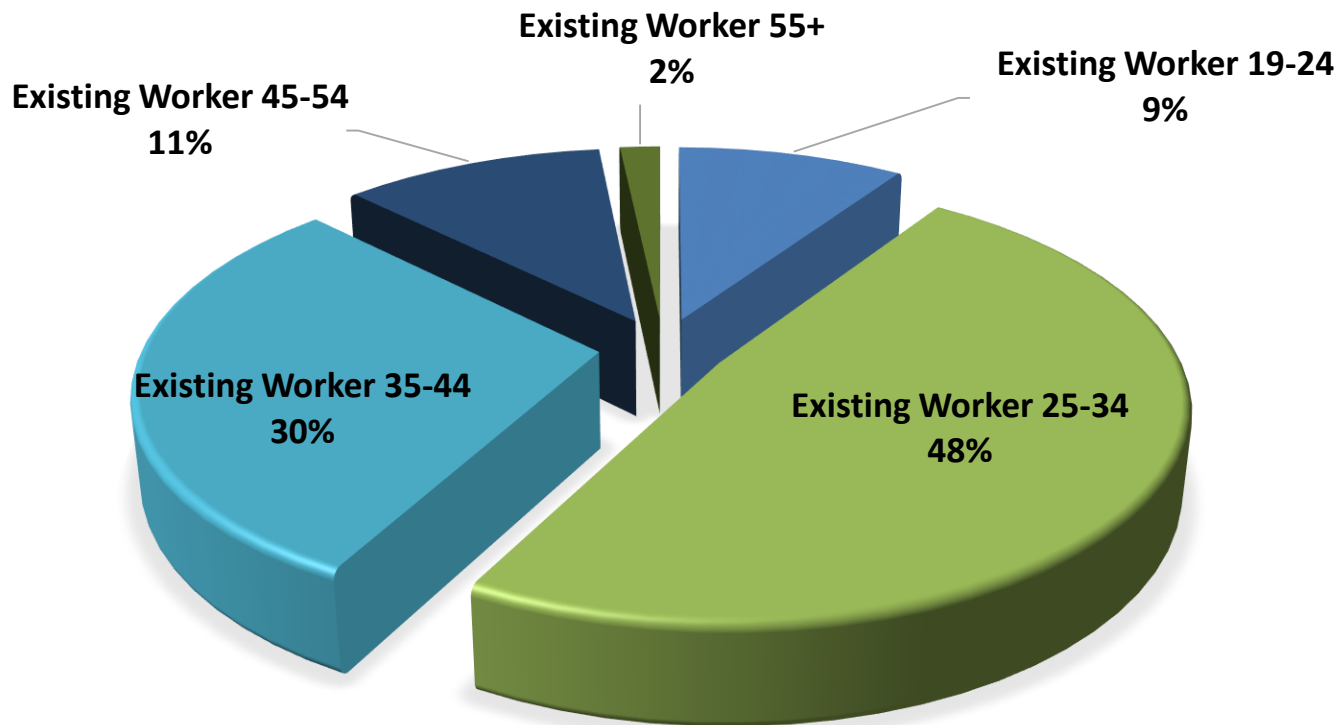






- **Australian Accredited Qualifications**
- **Industry Standard Training Facilities**
- **Competency Based Training and Assessment**
- **Practical Training**
- **Literacy and Numeracy support**
- Opportunities for **on-site** training & assessment
- **Customised training**

# Existing Adult Workers (Age Groups)



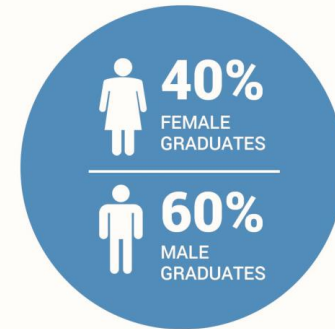




# Responding to Demand Hospitality & Community Services



# Graduates to date



**50%**

**APTC Graduates**  
earn more since  
completing studies

**98%**

**APTC Graduates**  
use what they learned to  
train others

**94%**

**APTC Graduates**  
have improved employment  
prospects



**96%**

**Employers**  
recommend APTC graduates  
to other businesses

**97%**

**Employers**  
agree APTC graduates  
perform to workplace  
expectations

**95%**

**Employers**  
would employ another  
APTC graduate

- **Tracer Surveys** (graduates and employers)
  - Employment outcomes / Graduate Satisfaction  
AND an increased understanding of:
    - Good physical health (94%).
    - Risk of smoking, drinking kava, alcohol/ drugs (87%).
    - Mental Health issues- depression and suicide (85%).
    - Impact of poverty on society (88%).
    - Impact of gender equality (91%).
    - Effects of climate change (85%).
    - Child protection rights (84%).
    - Effects of domestic violence (85%).

## APTC Partnerships by country across Stage 2 and Stage 2E (1 July 2011 to 30 June 2018)

Partnership	Location
Vivekananda Technical Centre	Fiji
University of the South Pacific	Fiji
Fiji National University	Fiji
TSI Sangam College of Nursing and Health Care Education	Fiji
Ministry of Infrastructure & Works (Walu Bay)	Fiji
Kiribati Institute of Technology	Kiribati
Port Moresby Technical College(POMTECH)	PNG
National University of Samoa	Samoa
Don Bosco Technical Institute	Solomons
Solomon Islands National University	Solomons
Skills for Economic Growth Program	Solomons
Tonga Institute of Science and Technology	Tonga
Vila North School	Vanuatu
Vanuatu Institute of Technology	Vanuatu
Vanuatu TVET Strengthening Program	Vanuatu





APTC works with-

- Solomon Islands Electrical Authority
- Fiji Water
- Coral Seas Hotels
- Fiji Textile Clothing and Footwear Council
- Fiji Sugar Corporation
- Curtain Brothers
- Brain Bell Group
- Carnival Cruises (P&O Australia)

Stage 1  
 19% National



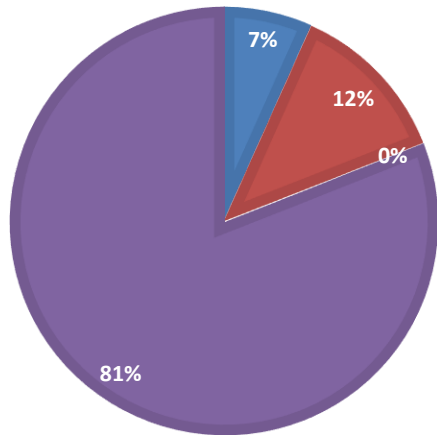
Stage 2  
 70% National



Stage 2E  
 83% National

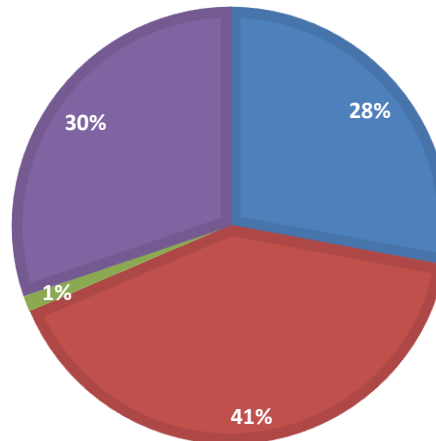
**STAGE 1 STAFF PROFILE**

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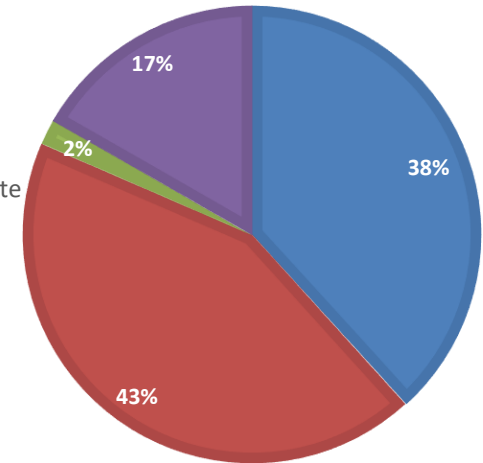
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**STAGE2E STAFF PROFILE**

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# 10 Year Anniversary 2017 ...but wait! There's more!

