



**Mr. Loi Martin Bakani, Governor of the Central Bank of Papua New Guinea**

Mr. Loi Martin Bakani's career with the Central Bank started in 1985 as an Economic Research Analyst. He was appointed the Head of Economics Department in 1998 and became the Chief Economic Advisor for the Bank, a position he held until February 08 2005, when he was appointed the Deputy Governor - Policy and Regulation for a 5-year term. On 9<sup>th</sup> December 2009, the National Executive Council appointed Mr. Bakani as the Governor, Chairman of the Bank of Papua New Guinea Board, and the Registrar of Savings and Loans Societies in PNG for a term of 7 years. He is also Alternate Governor to the IMF and is a member of Board of Governors for the South East Asia Central Banks (SEACEN) Training Centre based in Malaysia, Pacific Technical Assistance Centre (PFTAC) based in Fiji and the PNG Institute of Banking and Business Management (PNGIBBM) in Port Moresby.

Mr. Bakani has diverse experience and skills in central banking, fiscal operations of the Government, finance and banking sector and business operations in PNG. He represented the Bank of PNG in various external committees and participated in numerous international conferences and meetings with international Financial Institutions and Agencies such as World Bank, IMF, ADB, and Bank for International Settlement (BIS), overseas central banks and other organizations like APEC, SEACEN, and SEANZA.

Mr. Bakani holds an Honors Masters Degree in Economics from the University of Wollongong (1994) Australia, and a Bachelor of Economics Degree from the University of PNG (1984). He is the member of PNG Institute of Directors, Australia Economic Society, PNG Economic Society, UPNG Alumni Association and PNG-Australia Alumni Association.