

Public Seminar at the INA (3rd Floor Conference Room, IPA Haus) by Economists, Assoc Prof Martin Davies and Dr Marcel Schroder

Title: Does the PNG government get its fair share from the resource sector?

Abstract: We construct a new database on the basis of Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (EITI) annual reports that documents fiscal resource revenues for a large set of resource rich countries from 2006 to 2017. Using this dataset, we analyse governments' take from the resource sector and study its determinants through a simple game-theoretic model as well as regression analysis. This allows us to make comparisons between Papua New Guinea and other resource rich developing countries.

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