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## Team

### Program Leader

**Dr. Eugene Ezebilo** is an Associate Professor of Economics. He is the Program Leader of the Property Development Research Program at the Papua New Guinea National Research Institute (PNG NRI). Eugene has a PhD in Economics and MSc from the Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences, Sweden and B-Agric. from the University of Agriculture Abeokuta, Nigeria. Before joining PNG NRI, he has worked for several years at the Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences, Sweden as Associate Professor in Economics, Assistant Professor in Economics and Planning and Postdoctoral Researcher in Environmental and Resource Economics, respectively. He has served as a supervisor and an examiner for several masters and doctoral students' thesis in Sweden, Italy, Trinidad and Tobago, Nigeria and PNG. Eugene has lectured several courses at postgraduate diploma, masters' and doctoral levels such as Environmental Economics and Management, Statistics, Research Methods, Economics of Multiple Use Forestry, How to Write and Publish Scientific Papers, Agricultural Policy, Housing Policy and PNG Economic and Policy Issues. He has competence in econometric modelling, qualitative and quantitative research methods, economic valuation of public goods, natural resource management, socio-economic impacts analysis and economic policy analysis. Eugene's research interests include Economic development; Environmental economics and policy; Housing economics and policy; Land use policy; and Natural resource management.

### Research Fellow

**Thomas Wangi** is a Research Fellow in the Property Sector Development Research Program at PNG NRI. He has a Master of Economics degree at the James Cook University. He holds a Honours and Bachelor of Economics both from the University of PNG. Prior to joining PNG NRI in 2015, he was a lecturer at the University of Papua New Guinea. His research interest is in Economic policy, property development, land access and public sector pay scales.

### Research Fellow

**Logea Nao** is a Research Fellow in the Property Sector Development Research Program at PNG NRI. Ms Nao joined PNG NRI in 2010 as a Project Officer initially under Economics Research Program and later under Land Research Program. She holds a Masters and Graduate Diploma in International and Development Economics, both from the Crawford School of Public Policy and Government, Australian National University; and a Bachelor of Economics from the University of Papua New Guinea. Whilst on postgraduate studies, Logea also undertook an internship with the ANU Development Policy Centre as a recipient of the 2014/2015 Greg Taylor Scholarship. In her current role, she is engaged in research projects that focus on customary land access and land administration, land use planning and property development.