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## PRESS RELEASE

## PJV promotes Graduate Program at Unitech Career Fair

PORT MORESBY, 9 September, 2018, 1300HRS: Porgera Joint Ventrue (PJV) has recently participated in the Papua New Guinea University of Technology (Unitech) Career Fair with the aim to market PJV as an ideal employer for top graduates in key technical fields.

PJV was among 20 companies that participated in the Fair from 24-25 August at the Unitech campus in Lae, Morobe Province.

PJV's participation was facilitated by the Employee Development section led by Superintendent Talent Management Basil Tabel and Advisor Rachael Lepokon.

They were assisted by Mine Underground Senior Engineer Gregory Oa, Reliability Senior Supervisor Ian Kaison and Processing Metallurgist Person Leki who provided students with detailed information in their respective technical fields of work.

"PNG needs to remain competitive in the industry to attract highly qualified employees and such events provided the opportunity to inform students on what PJV was able to offer as an employer," Mr Tabel said.

The theme for the career fair was "Promoting Unitech-Industry Partnerships for Entrepreneurial and Innovative Human Resource for Nation Building."

Unitech Chancellor Jean Kekedo said the Career Fair not only provided an opportunity for industry partners to showcase students the different career pathways that they provide, but also for students to show the industry that they were innovative thinkers.

"There are so many people that don't have jobs and I know that you will not be able to take all our students, but I'm indeed grateful that you are here and that you have always been behind us at Unitech," Ms Kekedo said as she opened the Career Fair on 24 August.

Other resource companies that also participated included Ok Tedi Mining Limited (OTML), Newcrest Mining Limited (Lihir), Wafi-Golpu Joint Venture, ExxonMobil and Kumul Petroleum Holdings.

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## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

The Porgera Gold Mine in Enga Province, Papua New Guinea, is operated by Barrick (Niugini) Limited ("BNL")— through an equal partnership between Barrick Gold Corporation and Zijin Mining Group Company Limited — which owns 95 percent participating interest in the Porgera Joint Venture (PJV). The remaining 5% in PJV is owned by Mineral Resource Enga (MRE) Limited — a consortium consisting of the Enga Provincial Government and the Porgera landowners.

The Porgera Mine employs over 2,500 Papua New Guineans, and over the life of the mine has produced more than 20 million ounces of gold and contributed approximately 10% of PNG's total annual exports.



PJV Processing Metallurgist Pearson Leki attends to an inquiring female student.



Senior Mine Engineer Gregory Oa speaking to students at the PJV booth.

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