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TAIWAN'S GLOBAL UAV ACADEMY DONATES DRONE TO PALAU COMMUNITY COLLEGE



L-R: MHRCD MINISTER NGIRAIBELAS TMETUCHL, PCC PRESIDENT DR. PATRICK U. TELLEI, TAIWAN GLOBAL UAV ACADEMY CEO CHIANG ZHEN-WEI AND TAIWAN FOREIGN MINISTER LIN CHIA-LUNG

On Wednesday, September 2, 2026, Palau Community College (PCC) President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Taiwan's Global UAV Academy (GUAVA) Chief Executive Director Chiang Zhen-wei to foster academic cooperation and explore strategic partnerships in the development of a secure, resilient, and standardized global unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV) ecosystem. The MOU signing ceremony, held at the PCC Science and Academic Building Amphitheater, followed a drone demonstration at the PCC Track and Field conducted by Taiwan's International Youth Ambassadors. The drone showcased the practical applications of UAV technology in emergency response such as to

a person in distress.

Among those who witnessed the demonstration were Taiwan Foreign Minister Lin Chia-lung, Republic of Palau Minister of Human Resources, Culture, and Development (MHRCD) Mr. Ngiraibelas Tmetuchl, and Hon. Ambassador Hersey Kyota, the current Dean of the Diplomatic Corps in Washington, D.C.

The MOU marks an important step toward strengthening academic and technical cooperation between PCC and Taiwan while exploring opportunities to develop local expertise and advance the safe and effective use of UAV technology in Palau. It was then entrusted to PCC Instructor Mr. Joel Yabes for care and supervision, as well as for use in teaching and training students.

CAMPUS HIGHLIGHT



PCC PRESIDENT DR. PATRICK U. TELLEI WITH NATIONAL PINGTUNG UNIVERSITY (NPTU) PRESIDENT DR. ROBERT CHEN AND NPTU DEAN OF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS DR. KELVIN CHEN, AND PCC VP/ACTING DEAN OF ACADEMICS MR. JAY OLEGERIIL

On September 01, 2026, on the margins of the ongoing Pacific Islands Forum (PIF) events in Palau, PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei and Dr. Robert Chen, President of National Pingtung University (NPTU) – Taiwan, signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to establish relations between PCC and NPTU. The MOU aims to encourage faculty visits and exchanges, facilitate the admission of qualified students, promote the exchange of academic publications and international services, and support other collaborative educational and academic activities. The signing event was witnessed by Dr. Kelvin Chen, NPTU Dean of International Affairs and the International College, and Mr. Jay Olegeriil, PCC Vice President of Administration & Finance/Acting Dean of Academic Affairs. PCC looks forward to future collaborations with NPTU.

College of Micronesia Board of Regents in Peleliu



DR. EMAIS ROBERTS, COM-BOR CHAIRMAN WITH MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS & PCC-CRE TEAM

The College of Micronesia Board of Regents (COM-BOR) meeting, held from August 25–28, concluded with a memorable historical tour of Peleliu on Aug. 30th. This was hosted by Dr. Emais Roberts, Vice Chairperson of the PCC Board of Trustees, Chairman of the COM Board of Regents, and Governor of Peleliu State.

The full-day tour took participants around the island's World War II sites and historic relics, offering an opportunity to learn more about Peleliu's important role in history. The tour concluded with a lunch featuring local delicacies before the group returned to Koror and departed for their respective islands. Sincere appreciation to Governor Emais Roberts and the State of Peleliu organizing committee for their warm hospitality.



L-R: Ms. Meitaka Kendall-Lekka, COM-RMI Interim President; Dr. Theresa Koroivulaono, COM-FSM CEO & President; Hon. Gerald Zackios, RMI Minister of Education/ COM-LG Secretary/Treasurer, and PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei at the late ROP President H.E. Kuniwo Nakamura resting site.

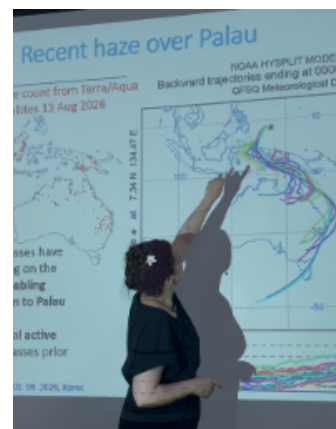
Climate Talks German-Palauan Partnership in Climate Research



HON. BETTINA HAGEDORN, VICE MINISTER FOR THE ENVIRONMENT- GERMANY; PROF. DR. MARKUS REX, HEAD OF SECTION ALFRED WEGENER INSTITUTE; PROF. DR. JUSTUS HOTHOLT; DR. KATRIN MULLER AND DIR. LUKES ISECHAL

Climate Talks marks ten (10) years of an important German-Palau scientific partnership and brings its findings into the political dialogue of the 55th Pacific Islands Leaders Forum meeting in Palau. Discussions during the Climate Talks side event at PCC Assembly Hall on Tuesday, Sept. 1st, highlighted how long-term climate research can support evidence-based policy making, climate action, and sustainable development across the Blue Pacific Continent. Welcoming and Opening statements were given by the Honorable Bettina Hagedorn, Vice Minister for the Environment in Germany and H.E. Ambassador Dr. Andreas Pfaffernoschke, Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Germany,

followed by presentations by Prof. Markus Rex and Dr. Katrin Muller of the Alfred Wegener Institute (AWI), and Prof. Justus Notholt. Dr. Muller also shared data gathered from the observatory lab on PCC campus showing the highest black carbon/soot levels since observations began in June 2026, with 10-day back trajectories of air masses that have crossed Indonesia, partly originating on the North and East coasts of Australia enabling transport of pollution from the region to Palau, hence the recent haze over the islands.



DR. KATRIN MULLER SHOWING AIR MASSES TRANSPORTING SOOT

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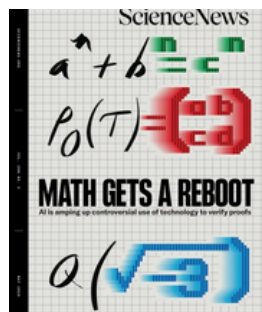
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Celebrating Birthdays September 4 - September 10, 2026



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Yoko
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ALUMNI NOTES

Ibuuch A. Kumaichi



Ibuuch A. Kumaichi earned an Associate of Science Degree in Community and Public Health from PCC in May 2025. She is currently working as a Health Officer and Youth Officer for the Palau Red Cross Society, leading community initiatives like emergency preparedness and first-aid training camps.

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