

ACODE 97

Designing for Uncertainty: Resilient and Inclusive TEL Across Diverse Contexts

From low-bandwidth Pacific environments to flexible, scalable learning in Australia and New Zealand

Date: Thursday, 12 November 2026

Place: JICA-ICT Multipurpose Theatre | VCR 1 & 2, University of the South Pacific (USP), Laucala Campus, Suva, Fiji

Online: Delivered in-person and via Zoom; link to be provided for registered attendees

Time	Topic	Presenter
9:30 AM (30 mins)	Onsite registration	The Zoom room is open for all attendees and the day's activities will start at 10:00 AM FJT
10:00 AM (5 mins)	Devotion & Prayer	USP
10:10 AM (10 mins)	Traditional Welcome	USP
10:20 AM (15 mins)	Keynote Address	Professor Jito Vanualailai <i>Deputy Vice-Chancellor & Vice-President Education, USP, Fiji</i>
10:35 AM (50 mins)	Session 1: Rethinking Digital Learning for Resilience in the Pacific	Dr. Rajni Chand <i>Director, Centre for Flexible Learning, USP, Fiji</i>
11:25 AM (15 mins) Morning tea		
11:40 AM (50 mins)	Session 2: 'Pūrehuroatanga at Massey University, New Zealand: Designing Resilient and Inclusive Student Success for Diverse Learning Contexts'	Professor Giselle Byrnes <i>Provost, Massey University Te Kunenga ki Pūrehuroa, Aotearoa New Zealand</i>
12:30 PM (50 mins)	Session 3: Building System Resilience – LMS Outages, Cyber Incidents and Business Continuity in TEL	Niranjan Prabhu <i>CIO University of the Sunshine Coast, Australia Past President, Executive Member, Council of Australasian University Directors of Information Technology (CAUDIT)</i>
1:20 PM (15 mins)	AI Governance Survey: presentation of results	Ratna Selvaratnam & Steve Leichtweis <i>ACODE Executive</i>

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1:35 PM (45 mins) Lunch		
2:20 PM (50 mins)	Panel: Rethinking High-Bandwidth Reliance – AI, Video and SaaS Tools in Uncertain Conditions	Moderator: Prof. Bibhya Nand Sharma, USP, Fiji Panelist: Prof. Janet Ragou, Western Pacific University, PNG Panelist: Dr. Theresa Koroivulaono, College of Micronesia-FSM Panelist: Niranjan Prabhu, CAUDIT Panelist: Leah McKay, University of Otago Ōtākou Whakaihu Waka, Aotearoa New Zealand
3:20 PM (15 mins) Afternoon tea		
3:35 PM (50 mins)	Voyaging the Unknown: A Disruption Design Challenge	Facilitators, USP
4:25 PM (30 mins)	Bringing It Home: What Would or Could Work for You?	Facilitators, USP
4:55 PM (5 mins)	Wayfinding Forward: Key Takeaways	Facilitators, USP
5:00 PM (15 mins)	Summary of the Day / Closing Remarks	Professor Kate Ames <i>President, ACODE</i>

Please note: All times are Fiji Time (FJT, UTC+12).