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Tongan PM commends PIANGO

The Prime Minister of Tonga, Hon. Dr. Feleti Vakauta Sevele has commended the work of the Pacific Islands Association of Non - Governmental Organisations (PIANGO) for its efforts in strengthening civil societies in the Pacific.

In his opening address of the Regional CSO forum in Tonga yesterday, Dr. Sevele said the initiative of organising regional events must be applauded.

“Let me congratulate PIANGO for their efforts in bringing together the CSOs in our Pacific region. Your commitment to facilitating communication to providing a common voice of NGOs and to strengthening Pacific forms of social development is highly praised.”

PIANGO is a regional network of NGO focal points or coordinating bodies known as National Liaison Units (NLUs) based in 22 Pacific Island countries and territories.

It was formally established in 1991 to assist NGOs in the Pacific to initiate action, give voice to their concerns and work collaboratively with other development actors for just and sustainable human development.

PIANGO's primary role is to be a catalyst for collective action, to facilitate and support coalitions and alliances on issues of common concern, and to strengthen the influence and impact of NGO efforts in the region.

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