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Feature on the Director of Tertiary Education, Anne-Rose Tjiobang for International Woman's Day 2019



Port Vila, Vanuatu – 8th March 2019: March 8 marks International Women's Day and it is dedicated to celebrating achievements of women across the world. The Ministry of Education and Training (MoET) is taking this opportunity to feature its new Director of Tertiary Education, Anne-Rose Tjiobang.

With almost 30-years' experience in education, the recent appointment of the highly regarded Anne-Rose Tjiobang as the Director of Tertiary Education was no surprise. After starting her career as a teacher, Anne-Rose Tjiobang moved to the Vanuatu Institute of Teacher Education (VITE) where she has spent the last eighteen years in teaching and in leadership roles. Not only does her experience speak volumes about her passion for education, but she also demonstrates a continuous willingness to learn, including taking every single opportunity to develop her knowledge and skills. Director Anne-Rose Tjiobang will soon graduate with a Master of Education Studies, in addition to her Master of Arts in Applied Linguistics and her Bachelor of Arts in Teaching. As a leader of change and improvement, Director Anne-Rose Tjiobang will bring to Tertiary Education an optimistic vision for the future together with her commitment and experience to improve the system.

As a leader, Director Anne-Rose Tjiobang impresses by her capacity to value her colleagues and members of her team, recognizing their experiences, skills and expertise and encouraging them to make the most of their opportunities to do good work and to improve the lives of others.

Director Anne-Rose Tjiobang personalises the International Women's Day theme, "Think equal, build smart, innovate for change". She stated "*Women in Vanuatu are very capable. My advice to all the women out there in Vanuatu is to recognize the nature of our male dominated society, identify the challenges and bring people together to move on together building on the existing*". A member of the MoET Executive, the MoET Women Leaders' Network (established in 2016) is looking forward to the experiences and support that Director Anne-Rose Tjiobang will bring to the network and more broadly to Vanuatu.