

Appendix C: Features of the contract system

Country	Year CSE introduced/ duration	Conditions of service	Eligibility for position	Written contract agreement	Written contract review mechanism	Robustness of review and parties involved	Fields requiring improvements
Cook Islands	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1995: Fixed term of 3 years 2009: fixed term of 3 yrs for 3 terms then HoM cannot apply for same post 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Salary is not fixed; there is a salary band and HoM once appointed can negotiate individual package Transport allowance is optional 10 days sick leave 20 days annual leave One month notice for termination notice Bereavement leave subject to PSC Act Contract fixed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Open 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The contents need to be confirmed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nil 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The review is conducted solely by the Commissioner and the appointee can discuss with Commissioner but it's not anywhere near robust 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All the issues highlighted in this survey
Papua New Guinea	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1996 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contract fixed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Open 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yes, between the Head of State, DPM and appointee 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yes, between the CACC, Ministry, DPM and PSC 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> System in place requires improvement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Requires TA to assist govt with the whole issue of contract employment
Samoa	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1990: Fixed term of years Position advertised at the end of each term despite performance 1998: Fixed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fixed starting salary of W\$115,000 or W\$112,000 p.a. Telephone allowance of \$3,600 p.a. Mobile phone allowance cap at \$300 per month Pension applied Vehicle with petrol cap at 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Open to career public servants, private sector and the general public including those residing overseas 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yes, there is a written contract whereby the Chairman of the PSC signed on behalf of govt. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yes – an Executive Management System was formulated and implemented in 2003 after 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It is robust in most cases where the 360 degree method had been used on the insistence of CEOs This method has allowed even 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Training of ministers and CEOs alike on the necessity of conducting performance assessment Linking CEOs

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Tonga	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> term changed to 3 years 2004 – some positions are appointed for 2 years fixed with a possible extension of another year. At the end of that term, position is advertised 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$5,000 p.a. Eligible for govt housing at non-commercial rates Gratuity of 2 weeks leave for every year served, taxable Contract can be terminated by one month's notice by either party CEO subjects to PS regulations 25 days annual leave and 25 days sick leave Entitled to other leave as well subject to Cabinet approval No medical insurance CEO salary is fixed at TOP \$48,000 Telephone allowance of \$1,000 Professional subscription \$1,000 Internet allowance of \$900 Gratuity of 40% of annual salary at end of contract Payment of earned leave up to a maximum of 40 working days 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exempted from the retiring age of 55 yrs Both males and females are encouraged to compete provided they meet requirements 	<p>The other signatory is the Attorney General</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This is signed after the CEO takes his/her oath publicly 	<p>realignment of the govt. machinery</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The review is conducted between the PSC Chairman, responsible Minister and the CEO This process is done annually within 3 months after the completion of the FY 	<p>the ACEOs to assess the performance of their CEO</p>	<p>performance assessment mechanism to the other levels of the organisation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Required training for all Senior officers regarding the administration of different aspects of contract employment

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Vanuatu	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not on fixed term as PSC and PM can have them transferred to another Ministry 1998 CE introduced but put on performance contract in 2007/08 Position advertised at the end of each term despite performance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Payment of sick leave up to a maximum of 30 days Entitled to govt. quarters Entitled to govt. vehicle 21 days annual leave Entitlement to other leave subject to Cabinet approval No medical insurance Eligible for govt housing at non-commercial rates Fixed starting salary Vehicle with petrol Telephone allowance and mobile phone Child allowances for 2 only 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Open to both career public servants, private sector and the general public including those residing overseas Exempted from the retiring age of 55 yrs Both males and females encouraged to compete provided they meet the requirements Must be a local Must be bi-lingual (French and English) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There is a written contract but it has not been used yet 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There is no formal system in place to review DG's performance contract Needs to be worked on 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not really, DG's performance is based on assessment of the Minister in most cases DGs are more committed to this than ministers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Technical assistance in tidying up every aspect of contract management The second improvement is required for all Senior Officials to have some training in managing employment contract Need assistance in the preparation of different plans that contribute to a meaningful performance management system

Note: PNG officials have not been able to provide comprehensive information requested.