

INVITATION
to hear
Rev Akuila Yabaki
CEO, Fiji Citizen's Constitutional Forum

When: Friday 4th December from 6.00PM - 7.30PM

Where: Room 104, Centre for Pacific Studies, University of Auckland

What: Reverend Akuila Yabaki is CEO of the Citizens Constitutional Forum (CCF) which is an NGO that takes a leading part in trying to make Fiji a place where rule of law, constitutional democracy and human rights are respected, especially for those who are weak and vulnerable in society. He has held various key positions in the Methodist Church in Fiji and abroad, including the United Kingdom and the wider Asia Pacific region.

Rev Yabaki is known for his critical and hard-hitting statements against leaders who try to ignore or defy the rule of law. He is on record for his strong and consistent opposition to all of Fiji's coups, including the one that took place in December 2006 and the actions of the military leading up to it. While Yabaki reiterated his own opposition to the same government policies that the military was opposing, he insisted that it was not the role of the military to oppose an elected government.

Rev Yabaki is also presenting a paper entitled "*From Paramountcy to Equality: Constitutionalism, Dialogue and Ethno-political conflict in Fiji*" at the PIPSA Conference being held on 4 & 5 December at the Fale Pasifika, University of Auckland.

All Welcome!

Participants are invited to join the PIPSA Conference Pacific Feast being held afterwards. Tickets are \$40 per head. Please book in advance to avoid disappointment.

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