



## TOGETHER WE ARE STRONGER

V-LAB has great news about our projects and from our incubees to share with you!

### V-Lab / UNV project

As part of a project developed jointly with the National University of Vanuatu, V-Lab is accompanying 10 students in the development of their business ideas. To do that, V-Lab is providing these students with a package of support which includes:

- Weekly training and coaching sessions with **Rob Macalister** from **Savvy Vanuatu** and **Hazel Kirkham** from **Breadfruit Consulting**.

- Meeting with local entrepreneurs.

- Field visit to local companies (incl. a visit of Vanuatu Brewing Limited and Vanuatu Craft Association).

At the end of this program (sept. 2020), the students will pitch their business idea (and the corresponding business plan they will have developed) to a jury. The best projects are due to receive additional support from V-Lab.



### V-lab / DoL project

As a response to the call to seasonal workers with an entrepreneurial spirit jointly launched between V-Lab and the **Department of Labor**, we received 83 applications!

This results demonstrates (if there was ever a need for it) not only that Ni-Vanuatu DO have an entrepreneurial spirit but also reinforces the need for structures like V-Lab to accompany them in the establishment and / or development of their business.

Discussions are currently underway with the **Australian High Commission** and the **New Zealand High Commission** to consider the possibility of a follow-up phase, during which a number of selected applicants will receive support from V-Lab.



**SEASONAL WORKERS**  
**DO YOU HAVE A BUSINESS IDEA?**

ARE YOU A CURRENT OR FORMER SEASONAL WORKER IN AUSTRALIA OR NEW ZEALAND AND HAVE A BUSINESS IDEA?  
**TELL US ABOUT IT!**

V-Lab, the Department of Labour, and the Australian Government are joining hands to support innovation and entrepreneurship amongst seasonal workers for their successful reintegration into Vanuatu

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Complete the form under the seasonal worker page before 15 July 2020



Accompany, Improve, Influence



*V-Lab is about connecting people. V-Lab is the way to go.*

## The season of welcomes

### Welcome to Rebecca Bogiri!

Rebecca joined V-LAB's incubation program in June. She is now growing next to **Mamma's Laef**, **GPS Vanuatu** and **Lokol Praes**.

Rebecca owns a delivery business for food and groceries.

She works with her husband Teddy Garaelulumele and co-workers Tatu Whitely Tasaruru, Arten Lango, Karlos Oben and John Laput. Rebecca and Teddy have 13 years experience as forensic accountant working in risk and compliance, as well as experience in project management and running SMEs.

As **one of the winners of the Slevaka COVID19 Challenge**, Rebecca's business aims to reduce travelling costs, time spent shopping, and improve accessibility to food and groceries for low income earners in Port Vila and around Efate island during and after COVID19.



### Welcome to Chris Elphick!

Chris has kindly agreed to accompany **Jack and Mary Kalsrap**, **Mamma's Laef** founders, as their official coach!

We are excited and honoured to have such an experienced coach working with us!





## THE COACH OF THE MONTH



**ARNAUD FOUCHÉ**

ARNAUD IS THE CO-DIRECTOR OF PACIFIC DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION.

A TRAVEL AND LANGUAGE ENTHUSIAST, ALWAYS INTERESTED IN DISCOVERING NEW PEOPLE, PLACES, PROFESSIONAL FIELDS AND SKILLS, ARNAUD STUDIED ECONOMICS AND THEATRE, WORKED AS AN OFFICER IN THE FRENCH NAVY, AS A CONSULTANT

AT MCKINSEY&CO, AND AS A PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT COACH.

CURRENTLY HE TOOK INTEREST IN WEB AND GRAPHIC DESIGN, PRODUCING (AMONG OTHERS) ROY'S NEW LOGO FOR GPS VANUATU:



Welcome to **Manuella Tavusimoli!**

Congratulations to **Vincent Mark** for recruiting Manuella and for thus expanding Lokol Praes team after only 4 months of incubation with V-Lab!

**Job creation is the key!**



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