



## **OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC AUDITOR**

### **DOI Office Of Inspector General Conference With APIPA Auditors**

June 1, 2012

Public Auditor Ronald Yow and CID (Compliance Investigation Division) Investigator Leelkan Southwick attended the U.S. Department of the Interior (DOI), Office of Inspector General's (OIG) conference with the principals of the Association of Pacific Island Public Auditors (APIPA). Held from May 29-31, 2012 at the Hyatt Regency Waikiki Beach Resort in Honolulu, the conference was attended by Acting Inspector General Ms. Mary Kendall and other key staff from OIG.

Also attending were representatives from the public audit offices of American Samoa, Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas (CNMI), Guam, Republic of the Marshall Islands (RMI), Republic of Palau (ROP), U.S. Virgin Islands, and the Pohnpei and Kosrae State offices and national audit office of the Federated States of Micronesia (FSM). Offices shared information within their jurisdictions about such matters as key accomplishments, trends and challenges, and future plans.

Among the other issues discussed at the conference were Single Audits, an overview of U.S. grants, and updates regarding the military buildup in Guam. Workshops covering effective communication, process improvement, and leadership were also conducted. This event was extremely beneficial because it covered a range of issues that were of critical relevance to the important work of public auditors.

Eight hours of CPE (Continuing Professional Education) were earned by participants, and the costs of transportation, lodging, and meals for attending the conference were paid for by DOI OIG, who hosted this event.

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