

Annual Report

La'o Hamutuk

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La'o Hamutuk's vision

The people of Timor-Leste, women and men, of current and future generations, will live in peace and contentment. They will control a transparent, just and sustainable development process which respects all people's cultures and rights. All citizens will benefit from Timor-Leste's resources, and will accept the responsibility for protecting them.

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Mission and Situational Context

La'ó Hamutuk (“Walking Together” in English) is an independent, Timor-Leste nongovernmental organization which monitors, analyzes and reports on development processes in Timor-Leste, particularly the programs and policies of the national government and international agencies operating in the country. La'ó Hamutuk produces fact-based analysis to educate and empower the public on decisions being made by its representatives. We consult with and lobby decision-makers in Government, Parliament and international agencies to advocate for more equitable, sustainable and people-focused policies.

The first half of 2022 saw the two rounds of the Presidential Election conducted peacefully. Sixteen candidates contested the first round, in which 77% of registered voters participated. The valid vote turnout was the highest turnout in a first-round Presidential election since 2007, being 6% higher than in 2017 and 4% higher than in 2012. In the second round of voting on 19 April, José Ramos-Horta received 62% of the vote, securing the Presidency over incumbent Francisco Guterres (Lú-Olo). People reported that the new system of voter registration, which allows people to pre-register to vote in a different municipality to their registered address, was poorly implemented and prevented some - often students studying in Dili - from voting.

President Guterres promulgated the 2022 State Budget in early January, however in April the Council of Ministers asked the Parliament to approve a ‘budget rectification’ to add \$1.13 billion in new expenditures. Nearly all of the proposed new spending was for a new Veterans’ Fund. After then-President-elect Jose Ramos-Horta indicated that he would veto the budget, the Government rushed it through Parliament, and on 11 May Parliament approved the entire budget rectification, adding \$1.24 billion to the budget, resulting in a global consolidated total of \$3.35 billion; the outgoing President promulgated it on his second-to-last day in office. 80% of the 2022 budget is financed with withdrawals from the Petroleum Fund, but including past and future withdrawals this figure increases to 92%. At the end of 2022 the Court of Appeal found the Veterans’ Fund to be unconstitutional, and its billion-dollar appropriation, which had not yet been executed, has been cancelled.

The 2023 State Budget is the first to be adopted under the new Budget Framework Law. Among other measures mandated by this law, the Government submitted a Major Planning Options Law to Parliament. The Major Planning Options Law is intended to facilitate discussion of the Government’s priorities for the coming year, before the state budget proposal is finalized. While this step in the budget cycle does offer an opportunity to discuss and debate Budget priorities for the forthcoming year, the Law submitted to Parliament contained 263 ‘measures’ without indicating how much money each will get or what priority it will be given. We hope that in future budget cycles, the Government will include more complete information about proposed budget measures to facilitate meaningful dialogue about the nation’s priorities.

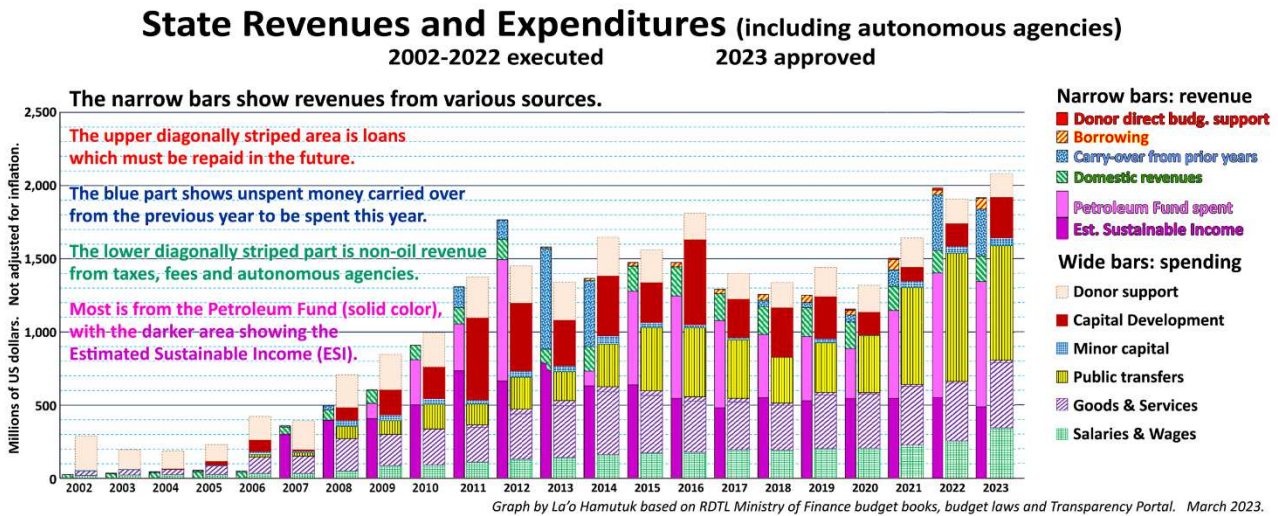
At the same time that the Government was making these budget decisions, the state’s financial resources declined. Bayu-Undan, the only producing oil and gas field, is dwindling and will end production in 2023. The value of the Petroleum Fund’s investments dropped \$2 billion during 2022, by far the largest loss in the Fund’s 15-year history. At the end of 2022, the balance in the Fund was \$17.5 billion, the lowest year-end balance since 2018. Unfortunately, the 2023 State Budget documents fail to describe this ongoing risk accurately, and their scenarios about the Petroleum Fund continue to assume future returns of 4.1%/year, while failing to consider the impacts of increasing expenditure and possibly negative investment returns.

Published Government estimates suggest that the Petroleum Fund will run out in 2034. However, the fiscal cliff could come sooner than expected; the increased spending projections for years after 2023 are worrying for future budgets, and we have seen in 2022 how global stock market volatility can impact the Petroleum Fund.

The Ministry of Finance’s 2023 Budget documents present one scenario to extend the life of the Petroleum Fund until 2045, requiring spending to be reduced by 3% every year through 2034. This would give more time to diversify the economy and prepare for the end of the Petroleum Fund. But

estimates in the budget books show spending, including withdrawals from the Petroleum Fund, increasing every year through 2027 (with no information after that).

The following graph shows state revenues and expenditure in the context of historical trends.



Despite the growing urgency to diversify the economy away from dependency on oil and gas production, some leaders and interest groups continue to believe the lie that oil and gas revenues will rescue Timor-Leste. After unpromising test drilling, the offshore Buffalo project was abandoned at the start of 2022. Onshore exploration for oil and gas continued – the private Australian company Timor Resources, in partnership with state-owned TimorGap, began the second stage of exploration in Covalima. TimorGap, which in late 2021 was awarded no-bid exploration contracts in an area stretching across Viqueque, Manufahi and Manatuto, socialized their Pualaka exploration project in June, and La'o Hamutuk researchers attended. So far, no onshore activities have found reserves worth developing, and La'o Hamutuk continues to advocate for diversification away from oil and gas, while monitoring these projects and their impacts on people and the environment.

The following are some highlights of our work during 2022:

- La'o Hamutuk was interviewed and cited more than 120 times in national and international media (see Appendix 2).
- We conducted initial research about petroleum activities on the South Coast, and published an article on our findings regarding public consultation mechanisms.¹
- We officially observed the two rounds of the Presidential election, and submitted reports of our findings and recommendations.²
- As local partners of the International Budget Partnership's Open Budget Survey, we launched the results of the 2021 Survey on budget transparency, participation, and accountability.³
- After two years of pandemic-curtailed public activities, we conducted public meetings in eight municipalities (see Appendix 3).
- Published two editions of our *Bulletin*⁴ and one edition of our popular education newsletter, *Surat Popular*.⁵

1 <https://www.laohamutuk.org/Bulletin/2022/Dec/bulletinv23n2te.htm#perf>

2 <https://www.laohamutuk.org/Justice/2022/PresElec/22PresElec.htm>

3 <https://laohamutuk.blogspot.com/2022/07/timor-leste-must-do-better-on-public.html>

4 <https://www.laohamutuk.org/Bulletin/2022/Jan/bulletinv23n1te.html>

<https://www.laohamutuk.org/Bulletin/2022/Dec/bulletinv23n2te.htm>

5 <https://www.laohamutuk.org/surat/SPMudansaKlimatikaNov2022.pdf>

Program Activities

Public events

For the first time since 2020, we were able to carry out public activities -- including seminars, public meetings, and field research -- without the restrictions and uncertainty of the Covid-19 pandemic. We conducted public meetings, targeting a range of audiences including civil society, university students, and rural communities. We organized events in eight of Timor-Leste's 14 municipalities and responded to requests for training from several civil society groups. As local research partner of the International Budget Partnership's Open Budget Survey, we facilitated online and in-person training on budget analysis and advocacy.

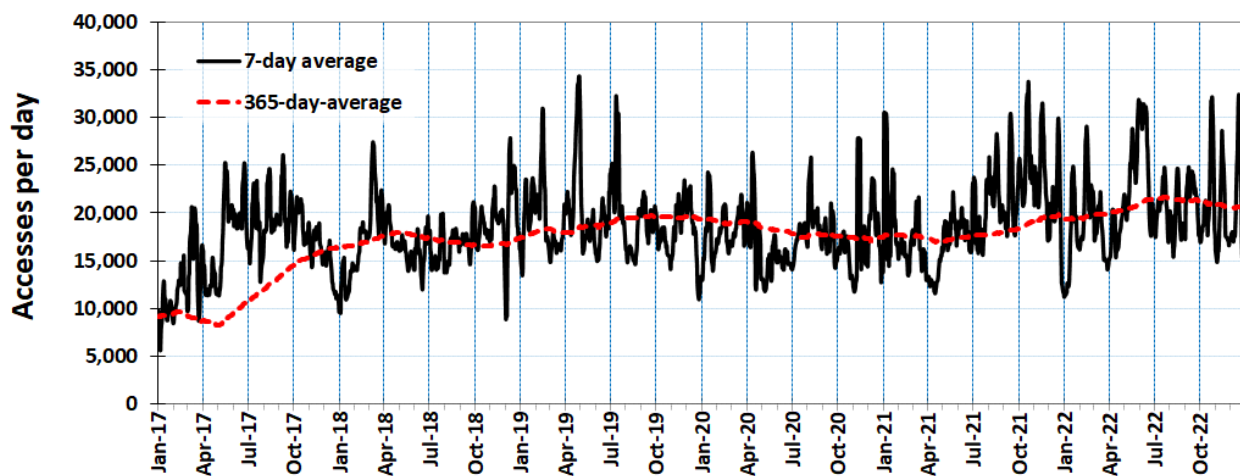
Website, blog and email lists

La'ó Hamutuk's website (www.laohamutuk.org), in Tetum and English, continues to be a primary source for reliable, independent information and analysis on many issues relating to Timor-Leste, including the state budget and government finances, large scale infrastructure projects, private investment, petroleum and extractive industries, land laws, maritime boundaries and sustainable development. It now contains 21 gigabytes of information in more than 20,000 files.

We continue to collect and publish documents from many different sources, and combine them with our analysis.

We continued to update existing pages and added new ones during 2022. We also continued to post materials to our reference page.⁶ Our website was visited by 7,100 people every day, accessing 20,700 pages.

Pages accessed on La'ó Hamutuk website during 2017-2022
Seven-day and one-year moving averages



The following are some of the web pages we created or significantly updated during 2022:

- New webpage for the 2022 Presidential Election⁷
- New webpage for the 2023 State Budget process⁸
- Updated webpage on 2022 State Budget with information about budget rectification

⁶ <https://www.laohamutuk.org/DVD/DVDIndexEn.htm>

⁷ <https://www.laohamutuk.org/Justice/2022/PresElec/22PresElec.htm>

⁸ <https://www.laohamutuk.org/econ/OJE23/22OGE23.htm>

- Regular updates with new information and documents to our pages on Petroleum projects⁹, the Bernard Collaery case¹⁰, Development Partners' meetings¹¹, the Petroleum Fund¹² and many others.

We published eleven blog articles in Tetum, with English translations of ten. About 180 people accessed our blog each day in 2022. These articles are listed in Appendix 6.

Radio programs

We broadcast eight radio programs on seven community radio stations across the country. The programs produced discussed issues including the status of human rights in Timor-Leste, the Presidential election, the Food Systems Summit, and the fiscal cliff. We interviewed guests from Government, women's NGOs and disability organizations, and academia to present useful discussion of relevant issues facing Timor-Leste. The radio programs are also available to listen to on our website.¹³ The programs are listed in Appendix 5.

Bulletin

In January 2022, we printed and distributed copies of our first *Bulletin*¹⁴ for the year. Its publication had been scheduled for December 2021 but was delayed to include current information on the state budget.

In December 2022, we finalized our second *Bulletin*,¹⁵ with articles on topics including the fiscal cliff, food sovereignty, and public consultation in recent petroleum activities in Suai.

In November, we published our popular education publication *Surat Popular*¹⁶ on the topic of climate change. Five hundred copies were distributed during public meetings in Maliana, Maubisse, Viqueque, and Lospalos.

Research, Analysis and Advocacy

State Finances and Economy

During the course of 2022, we continued to monitor the state's finances, including the Petroleum Fund and the 2022 and 2023 Budgets. We helped a range of civil society groups to better understand the budget process and engage in their own budget advocacy. Our statements to the press received wide coverage. Some of the key issues that La'ó Hamutuk has been educating about for many years, such as the sustainability of state finances and the perils of temporary petroleum dependency, are finally being taken more seriously by many decision-makers.

At the end of April, the Government proposed amending the enacted 2022 State Budget by adding \$1.1b in new spending, mostly for a "Veterans' Fund". Parliament approved the Government's request for an expedited process, and there was little opportunity for the public or civil society to engage in advocacy. On 5 May, La'ó Hamutuk distributed an unsolicited submission¹⁷ to every member of Parliament, pointing out that the measures included in the Budget Rectification were not urgent, and that Parliament should not approve the proposed rectification.

⁹ <https://www.laohamutuk.org/Oil/PSCs/10PSCs.htm>

¹⁰ <https://www.laohamutuk.org/Oil/Boundary/Collaery/20Collaery.htm>

¹¹ <https://www.laohamutuk.org/econ/21TLDPM/21TLDPMindex.htm>

¹² <https://www.laohamutuk.org/Oil/PetFund/05PFIndex.htm>

¹³ <https://www.laohamutuk.org/media/radio.htm>

¹⁴ <https://www.laohamutuk.org/Bulletin/2022/Jan/bulletinv23n1te.html>

¹⁵ <https://www.laohamutuk.org/Bulletin/2022/Dec/bulletinv23n2te.htm>

¹⁶ <https://www.laohamutuk.org/surat/SPMudansaKlimatikaNov2022.pdf>

¹⁷ <https://www.laohamutuk.org/econ/OGE22/OR/220504LHSubmisaunPN-OR2022en.pdf>

The 2023 State Budget was the first enacted under the new Budget Framework law, which was promulgated at the beginning of 2022. One of the new steps of the budget process is the Major Planning Options (MPO) Law, which should be passed by Parliament at the end of May. In response to the proposed MPO Law, we wrote a letter¹⁸ to Members of Parliament, issued a press release,¹⁹ held a press briefing, published a blog article²⁰, and facilitated a televised talk show.²¹ We noted that the Major Planning options Law was intended to be an opportunity to discuss the nation's priorities before the final proposed state budget is developed. However, the Law presented to Parliament included 263 measures; it did not identify "major options", but instead included many programs without indicating which will be prioritized or receive large allocations. Our letter to Parliament identified measures that should be prioritized in the 2023 Budget, including agriculture oriented towards local consumption, education, health, and water and sanitation. We also pointed out measures that should not be prioritized, including regional airports and the Tasi Mane project.

When the Government proposed its 2023 State Budget to Parliament in October, we made a submission²² to Parliament in which we observed that despite encouraging signs that the Government is seriously discussing the nation's impending fiscal cliff, they are not yet considering effective actions to address the problem. The budget proposal outlined a scenario to extend the life of the Petroleum Fund by a decade -- until 2045 -- to give more time to diversify the economy and avoid the crisis which will come when the Petroleum Fund is used up. However, instead of gradually reducing spending as the more sustainable model requires, the budget actually projects spending, including withdrawals from the Petroleum Fund, to go up every year after 2023 through 2027.

We issued a press release²³ and held a press conference, which was widely covered in the media. Some of our key observations and recommendations were noted in Parliament Committee C's report, although we were disappointed that Parliamentary debaters did not focus on these key issues of sustainability. After Parliament passed the proposed Budget in mid-November, we conducted further advocacy by meeting with decision-makers in the Ministry of Finance. To deepen public discussion the impact of the proposed 2023 State Budget, we held a public seminar in December, which was attended by 57 people and featured presentations from the Ministry of Finance, the World Bank, and La'ó Hamutuk. In December we broadcast a radio program on the looming fiscal cliff, and in the same month we wrote to the President,²⁴ asking him to veto the budget law to allow more time for more thorough discussion of the key issues. Although he did not veto the budget, he obtained a court ruling that the billion-dollar Veterans Fund was unconstitutional, and it was removed before the law was promulgated.

Throughout the year, we continued to bring key issues of state finances and economic diversification to the attention of a range of key groups. In April we made a presentation²⁵ to heads of UN Agencies in Timor-Leste, and presented on the resource curse in Timor-Leste to the Association of Asian Studies conference.²⁶ We also brought these issues to regional communities; we held public meetings in Suai (Covalima municipality) and Same (Manufahi municipality) in May, in Baucau in August and September, and in four other municipalities in November.

As the local partner of the International Budget Partnership, we helped to facilitate an in-depth training for local civil society groups over several days in March, May and September. We were also invited to provide training for Fokupers, ADTL, Plan and Oxfam's local partners. In April we facilitated training in budget analysis for young people participating in Plan International's network in Dili, Maubisse, and Ainaro.

¹⁸ <https://www.laohamutuk.org/econ/OJE23/MOP/220524LHbaPNPropostaLeiOpsaunPrinsipalPlanuEn.pdf>

¹⁹ <https://www.laohamutuk.org/econ/OJE23/MOP/220525KomunikaduImprensaLeiOpsaunPrinsipalSiraPlanuEn.pdf>

²⁰ <https://laohamutuk.blogspot.com/2022/05/proposta-lei-opsaun-prinsipal-sira.html>

²¹ <https://www.laohamutuk.org.youtube.com/watch?v=briT0tQuEdI>

²² <https://www.laohamutuk.org/econ/OJE23/221017LHSubPNOGE2023en.pdf>

²³ <https://www.laohamutuk.org/econ/OJE23/221019LHKomImprensaSubOGE2023en.pdf>

²⁴ <https://www.laohamutuk.org/econ/OJE23/221209LHKartaBaPRHortaKonsideraOGE2023en.pdf>

²⁵ https://www.laohamutuk.org/econ/briefing/220411LH-UN_EkonomiaEn.pps

²⁶ <https://www.laohamutuk.org/Oil/curse/220324ScheinerAASResourceCurseTL.pps>

Oil and Gas

The offshore Bayu-Undan field has provided 94% of Timor-Leste's oil and gas revenue since independence, but the field is nearly exhausted, and production will cease in 2023.

As some in Timor-Leste seek ongoing petroleum income from other sources, we continued to monitor, explain and analyze events related to non-renewable resources in Timor-Leste. In 2022, La'ó Hamutuk staff published an article on the Resource Curse in Timor-Leste in a Mexican academic journal.²⁷

We conducted two field visits to observe the impacts of petroleum exploration in Covalima and Manufahi, the initial phase of research into community understanding of the project and how their initial expectations compare to their experiences. We published an article about public consultation and socialization for the Feto K'maus exploratory drilling activities in our December *Bulletin*. We found that the local community did not feel engaged or empowered by the consultation process, and that they had not received clear and detailed project information. We hope these findings can help future projects conduct better socialization and consultation with affected communities.

In June, we travelled to Laclubar to observe TimorGAP's 'socialization' event for new exploration activities there. In addition to the Minister of Petroleum and Mining and the National Petroleum and Minerals Authority (ANPM), civil and military officers from all three municipalities participated, including PNTL and F-FDTL commanders. We published a blog²⁸ summarizing our observations and will continue to monitor whether the closing remarks of the TimorGap President, promising deeper consultation in the future, result in genuine community engagement.

In August we looked into the status of the TL Cement project by talking to local communities and authorities in Baucau. TL Cement was allocated \$50 million in the 2018 State Budget but the money has not been transferred, and the current status of the project is unclear, especially after a September 2022 Audit Court Report found significant irregularities. We will continue to gather and confirm information.

Since 2021, La'ó Hamutuk has been monitoring and analyzing the progress of the proposal to capture and store carbon dioxide (CCS) in the empty Bayu-Undan field. In February we made a submission²⁹ to the Northern Territory's Environmental Protection Authority, in relation to the Barossa pipeline duplication project. This project -- in Australian maritime territory and not having an immediate impact on Timor-Leste -- is part of the overall Barossa gas project that Bayu-Undan CCS would facilitate. Our submission argued that evaluating individual components of a major project in a piecemeal fashion risks ignoring the broader impacts of the project, including the climate damage resulting from carbon-intensive Barossa gas. We continue to be concerned that the proposed CCS project is poorly understood in Timor-Leste. We published a blog article³⁰ and led several seminars³¹ for students and civil society to increase awareness.

Governance and Human Rights

In the lead-up to the Presidential elections, La'ó Hamutuk worked to promote meaningful discussion of the nation's future. We created a webpage to share key election documents³² and distributed a survey to Presidential candidates. La'ó Hamutuk staff conducted monitoring on both polling days and

²⁷ <https://doi.org/10.24201/ea.v57i3.2785>

English version at <https://www.laohamutuk.org/Oil/curse/220823TLPreventingResourceCurseEn.pdf>

²⁸ <https://laohamutuk.blogspot.com/2022/06/timorgap-begins-exploring-pualaca-block.html>

²⁹ <https://www.laohamutuk.org/Oil/Project/Bayu/CCS/220215LHSubNTEPADPDproject.pdf>

³⁰ <https://www.laohamutuk.org/Oil/Project/Bayu/CCS/220301LHKomunikaduImprensaCCSen.pdf>

³¹ <https://www.laohamutuk.org/Oil/Project/Barossa/220713CCSbaCSOs.pdf>
<https://www.laohamutuk.org/Env/Climate/221213CCS-FTMen.pdf>

³² <https://www.laohamutuk.org/Justice/2022/PresElec/22PresElec.htm>

published two reports with our observations and recommendations.³³ We broadcast a radio program³⁴ and published a blog article³⁵ discussing voting access and key issues with the director of the national disability organization Rae's Hadomi Timor Oan (RHTO), the director of Fokupers and a member of the Youth Parliament Alumni Organization. The December edition of our *Bulletin* includes an article reflecting on the Presidential election, to promote better implementation of the 2023 Parliamentary elections.

In 2022, as the culmination of our work as local research partners of the International Budget Partnerships' 2021 Open Budget Survey, we began releasing results within Timor-Leste. In this survey, Timor-Leste's scores are a little better than in the previous survey; the nation's transparency score increased to 52/100 and oversight increased to 56/100. However, the survey shows that the government has not yet implemented effective means of public participation, which scored 7/100. At the end of June we issued a press release³⁶ and a short video³⁷ explaining the results. We shared the results of the survey with members of civil society at a public meeting in July and with students at two Dili university campuses in November. This survey helps advocacy around transparency, public participation, and oversight in the budget process.

In August we called attention to large gaps in online Government information channels,³⁸ such as ministerial websites and online portals. This review shows a widespread failure to make timely and relevant information accessible, and some Government websites are used more to publicize past events than to share useful information. Our December *Bulletin* assessed the state of transparency in 2022.³⁹

We continued to advocate for good governance through direct advocacy with Government institutions. Following the launch of the National Agency for Planning, Monitoring and Evaluation (ANAPMA), we initiated a meeting with agency officials in April to better understand how they are instituting state budget planning, monitoring and evaluation processes, and to advocate for transparency and inclusion. In June we were invited to present at a workshop organized by the Anti-Corruption Commission, on evaluating the risk of procurement corruption in the health sector.

We continued to participate in local NGO networks, which often strengthen advocacy by sharing information and resources and making joint submissions. During the first half of this year, we participated in regular meetings of PN-BESI.TL (Water and Sanitation Network). La'ó Hamutuk staff helped them analyze state spending on water and sanitation. We also participated in meetings of the RDDU (Human Rights Defenders Network) and UADU (UN Human Rights Advisory Unit) to share updates about human rights, including violence perpetrated by government officials including F-FDTL (military), PNTL (police) and civil security and municipality sanitation task force teams.

Continuing our participation in two 2021 submissions to the third UN Periodic Review of Human Rights in Timor-Leste, we posted relevant materials to our website.⁴⁰ La'ó Hamutuk worked with Civicus to present testimony by video to the UPR adoption in Geneva in July 2022.⁴¹ We discussed the implications of this Periodic Review with the National Director of Citizenship and Human Rights and the Director of the Alola Foundation in a radio program.

³³ [https://www.laohamutuk.org/Justice/2022/PresElec/obs/220413LHRelatoriu Observasaun Eleisaun PR 2022-2027Te.pdf](https://www.laohamutuk.org/Justice/2022/PresElec/obs/220413LHRelatoriu%20Observasaun%20Eleisaun%20PR%2020227Te.pdf) and [https://www.laohamutuk.org/Justice/2022/PresElec/Round2/220530LHRelatoriu Observasaun Eleisaun PR Segunda Volta.pdf](https://www.laohamutuk.org/Justice/2022/PresElec/Round2/220530LHRelatoriu%20Observasaun%20Eleisaun%20PR%20Segunda%20Volta.pdf)

³⁴ <https://www.laohamutuk.org/media/2022/RadigEleisaunPresidensial.mp3>

³⁵ <https://laohamutuk.blogspot.com/2022/03/eleisaun-presidential-2022-eleitor-hotu.html>

³⁶ [https://www.laohamutuk.org/econ/trans/OBS21/220630LH-OBS press releaseEn.pdf](https://www.laohamutuk.org/econ/trans/OBS21/220630LH-OBS%20press%20releaseEn.pdf)

³⁷ <https://www.laohamutuk.org/econ/trans/OBS21/2207ObsMedium.mp4>

³⁸ <https://laohamutuk.blogspot.com/2022/08/transparency-requires-information-not.html>

³⁹ <https://www.laohamutuk.org/Bulletin/2022/Dec/bulletinv23n2te.htm#trans>

⁴⁰ <https://www.laohamutuk.org/Justice/UPR/12UPRIndex.htm#2021>

⁴¹ <https://media.un.org/en/asset/k1u/k1uq2l2yph> (8:13:20 in)

Food Sovereignty, Agriculture and Environment

During 2022, we monitored agricultural policies and indicators and environmental issues, and shared our analysis at a range of events organized by La'o Hamutuk and others.

We continued to monitor the Cesta Bázika program, a “basics basket” program introduced by the Government in 2020 to respond to the economic impacts of the pandemic and lockdowns. In the first half of 2022, the program entered its ‘second phase;’ it has been extended into 2023. In April and June we met with officials from the Secretary of State for Cooperatives, the Ministry of Tourism, Commerce, and Industry to better understand how the program can support local agricultural production, and to lobby for greater engagement of local producers. We discussed these issues in a radio program with the Secretary of State for Cooperatives, the National Director of Food Security, and a member of the Youth Parliament Alumni Association.

We also monitored key statistics related to agricultural production, and wrote to the Ministry of Agriculture in August to make several recommendations related to published and unpublished data about the imports of agricultural products; the Ministry agreed and included additional data in their next quarterly report (October-December 2022).⁴² We wrote an article for our *Bulletin* on food sovereignty, which included an evaluation of recent production levels.⁴³ Worryingly, agricultural output for some key staples has fallen over the past decade. We also note the lack of data on production of fruits and vegetables, and recommended that the relevant authorities better monitor progress in this area so that we can better address food security and nutrition issues in the population.

We used other La'o Hamutuk activities to further our understanding of issues of land, agriculture, and environment and the talk to a wide range of communities about key issues. Our research activities in Suai, detailed above in the section on Oil and Gas, allowed us to investigate how land rights are upheld in relation to onshore oil and gas exploration. We also used this opportunity to conduct public workshops in Suai and Same, which discussed climate change (and its impacts on agricultural production) as well as land rights. We discussed similar issues in public meetings in Viqueque, Lospalos, Maliana and Maubisse.

Many people in Timor-Leste, including farmers, have observed the impact of climate change on weather patterns and agricultural production. We have observed that there is still a poor understanding of climate change, and its causes and solution. We continued to work to increase public awareness of climate change and climate justice. We held a seminar at UNTL to mark World Environment Day in June, gave presentations on climate change and the proposed Carbon Capture and Storage project, and invited Prof Antero da Silva to present on agro-ecology. We produced a video⁴⁴ and a *Surat Popular*⁴⁵ on climate change, and organized public meetings in four municipalities in November.

We monitored discussions and debates at the COP27 conference in Egypt, and wrote an article explaining the origin and implications of the decision on a Loss and Damage Fund.⁴⁶

We also continued to update our webpage on environmental licensing documents, an effort to fill the gap caused by the government's failure to maintain a publicly available registry.⁴⁷

⁴² <https://www.laohamutuk.org/Agri/2022/220809LHKartaMAP.pdf>

⁴³ <https://www.laohamutuk.org/Bulletin/2022/Dec/bulletinv23n2te.htm#soberania>

⁴⁴ <https://www.laohamutuk.org/Env/Climate/221209LHMudansaKlimatika.mp4>

⁴⁵ <https://www.laohamutuk.org/surat/SPMudansaKlimatikaNov2022.pdf>

⁴⁶ <https://laohamutuk.blogspot.com/2022/12/cop27-conference-outcome-loss-and.html>

⁴⁷ <https://www.laohamutuk.org/Env/18EnvRegistry.html>

Networking and Coalitions

La'ó Hamutuk participates in many national and international coalitions and networks, to strengthen our own work and to contribute to broader research and advocacy efforts, including:

National networks

- Rede ba Rai (Land Network)
- HASATIL (Sustainable Agriculture Network)
- Core Group on Transparency
- FONGTIL (Timor-Leste NGO Forum)
- Human Rights Defenders Network (RDDU)
- Rede Feto
- Advocacy Network for Education
- PN-BESI (Network for NGOs working on water and sanitation issues)
- Koligasaun Agrikultura (Agriculture Coalition)
- Advocacy Network for Health
- Movement Against Occupation of the Timor Sea (MKOTT)
- National Alliance for an International Tribunal (ANTI)

International networks

- International Budget Partnership
- Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (EITI)
- International solidarity and human rights organizations, including ETAN
- Timor-Leste Studies Association (TLSA)
- OilWatch (especially in Southeast Asia)
- Publish What You Pay (PWYP)
- Civicus

Organizational Report

In August, our Advisory Board met via Zoom, and we updated our organizational Finance Policy and welcomed former staff member Maxi Tahu as a member of the Advisory Board.

Elizabeth da Silva joined La'ó Hamutuk staff in August. Bree Ahrens left Timor-Leste the same month, although she is continuing to work part-time for La'ó Hamutuk from overseas.

Several staff members participated in training throughout the year. Yayasan Hivos, one of La'ó Hamutuk's donors, facilitated training on planning, cooperative advocacy, and graphic design.

On the 20th anniversary of the restoration of Timor-Leste's independence, international activists held a conference in Lisbon and virtually. La'ó Hamutuk presented ourselves as an example of "Continuing solidarity."⁴⁸

As of December 2022, La'ó Hamutuk staff are Marta da Silva, Martinha Fernandes, Mariano Ferreira, Eliziaria (Febe) Gomes, Celestino (Atino) Gusmão, Ricarda Martins, Jonathan Gonsalves, Elizabeth da Silva, Charles Scheiner (part time remote), Bree Ahrens (part-time remote), three security staff and one cleaner.

⁴⁸ <https://www.laohamutuk.org/misc/220516LHSolidarityNotes.pdf>

Outputs of La'ó Hamutuk's Work in 2022

In our 2021 Annual Report, we identified new and quantifiable activities to be completed in 2022. Nearly all were achieved or surpassed, as follows:

Target	Result
Write at least eight submissions or open letters to decision-makers on key themes, including proposed legislation and policies such as the state budget and public finances, offshore and onshore petroleum activity, contracting and other issues.	We made eight submissions during 2022, which are listed in Appendix 4.
Follow the 2022 State budget process, including written and oral testimony to Parliament, briefings for MPs, the media and civil society in Dili and Municipalities.	We closely followed the 2022 rectification and 2023 State Budget processes, making several submissions. ⁴⁹ We conducted briefings in Dili and seven municipalities, provided several trainings for civil society, and gave press conferences on the Major Planning Options Law and the proposed 2023 State Budget.
Continue to monitor the revenues, investments and spending of the Petroleum Fund, and their implications for the sustainability of state finances.	We repeatedly updated our webpage on the Petroleum Fund ⁵⁰ to share results of ongoing monitoring, and discussed our observations regarding the impacts of the end of petroleum revenues, crashing investment returns and the impending fiscal cliff with the IMF, World Bank, Ministry of Finance, journalists Parliamentarians, media and civil society.
Conduct two training sessions for civil society	We conducted trainings at five capacity building events.
Broadcast six Radio Igualdade programs	We broadcast eight radio programs.
Produce one edition each of our <i>Bulletin</i> and <i>Surat Popular</i>	We produced two editions of the <i>Bulletin</i> and one <i>Surat Popular</i> .
Recruit one local researcher and one international researcher.	Mid-year, we recruited one new local researcher. Recruitment of an international researcher is underway.
Promote substantive discussion of key issues in the 2022 Presidential Election, help the public access key information, and monitor the election process.	We created a webpage ⁵¹ to share key information about the election, including training materials, responses to our candidate questionnaire, official documents, observers' reports and results. In the lead-up to the election, we distributed a questionnaire on key issues to candidates and broadcast a radio program discussing election participation from the perspectives of young people, women, and people with disabilities. LH monitored both rounds of the Presidential election and published our findings.

⁴⁹ <https://www.laohamutuk.org/econ/OJE23/220GE23.htm>

⁵⁰ <https://www.laohamutuk.org/Oil/PetFund/05PFIndex.htm>

⁵¹ <https://www.laohamutuk.org/Justice/2022/PresElec/22PresElec.htm>

Plans for 2023

We will continue to engage in research, analysis, and advocacy in relation to state finances and the economy, governance and human rights, land rights and agriculture, and petroleum and natural resources. Guided by our strategic plan, we will continue to implement a range of advocacy and public education strategies to communicate effectively with a range of target groups.

Our specific goals for 2023 are:

- Write at least eight submissions or open letters to decision-makers on key themes, including proposed legislation and policies such as the state budget and public finances, offshore and onshore petroleum activity, contracting and other issues.
- Follow the 2024 State budget process, including written and oral testimony to Parliament, briefings for MPs, the media and civil society in Dili and Municipalities.
- Continue to monitor the Petroleum Fund's revenues, investments and withdrawals, and the implications for the sustainability of state finances.
- Conduct two training sessions for civil society
- Broadcast six Radio Igualdade programs
- Produce one edition each of our Bulletin and Surat Popular
- Recruit one local researcher and one international researcher.
- Promote substantive discussion of key issues in the 2023 Parliamentary Election, help the public access key information, and monitor the election process.
- Produce a short video and produce a TV talk show on relevant issues
- Publish a brochure with questions to ask political parties during the election campaign
- Conduct strategic meetings with government officials and other key actors about the current economic and social situation.

Appendix 1. Financial Report

All amounts are specified in U.S. dollars. La'ó Hamutuk's fiscal year is the calendar year.

The organization has a flat wage structure; local and international staff received take-home salaries of \$846.36 per month from January to December 2022, plus the legally-mandated 13th month salary at the end of the year. According to Timor-Leste law, in addition to Wage Tax, 10% of pre-tax salaries must be paid into the government's social security program; the organization pays 6% and the employee pays 4%. International staff receive one return airfare from their home country, as well as a readjustment allowance of \$200 for each month worked up to the end of their first year, payable after they finish working with La'ó Hamutuk. According to Timor-Leste's Labor Code, Timorese staff who have worked for more than one year are entitled to severance pay when they leave the organization. Staff members who must move to Dili to work at La'ó Hamutuk receive up to \$200/month toward house rental costs.

Our work in 2022 was supported by grants from Misereor/KZE, the Norwegian Embassy in Jakarta (administered by Yayasan Humanis dan Inovasi Social, HIVOS), Comité Catholique contre la Faim et pour le Développement (CCFD) and The Asia Foundation (TAF). La'ó Hamutuk also earned money from the International Budget Partnership, PFMO, Plan International, AVI and OXFAM for providing research and trainings.

In order to ensure that everyone understands that La'ó Hamutuk is independent, we maintain our long-standing policy of not accepting contributions from institutions with a significant interest in Timor-Leste: the UN and its agencies, the World Bank, ADB, IMF, major multilateral and bilateral donors to Timor-Leste, the Timor-Leste government, and transnational corporations operating here.

Balance Sheet

The table indicates our total assets at the end of 2021 and 2022:

Calendar year	2022	2021
Cash and bank accounts at start of year	65,152	88,396
Receivables (salary and program advances)	22,844	23,306
Total assets at start of year	87,996	111,702
Income during year	187,373	124,693
Expenditure during year	173,405	148,399
Cash and bank accounts at end of year	81,309	65,152
Receivables at end of year	20,655	22,844
Total assets at end of year	101,964	87,996

Misereor transferred \$79,493 for work we did in 2021, but it was delayed by a bank error, and received early in 2022.

These accounts also include money put aside for future severance and readjustment payments, and health self-insurance for national and international staff.

Readjustment and severance

The following table includes future obligations that La'ó Hamutuk will have to pay in severance and readjustment when staff leave the organization. These depend on length of service, and are required by law (for Timorese citizens) and by La'ó Hamutuk policy (for internationals). At the end of each year, these accrued obligations were:

2022	2021
16,899	18,119

The following table shows the balances in our cash and bank accounts, according to our commitments to donors, not including receivables and liabilities.

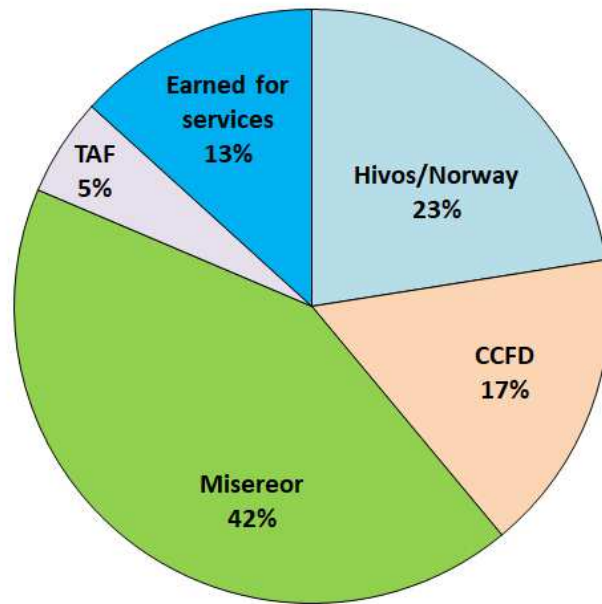
	Cash and bank balances	General support donors	Misereor project	LH Assets
Assets 31 Dec 2021	87,996	49,025	-21,931	60,901
Income Jan- Dec 2022	187,373	83,042	79,501	35,141
Expenses Jan-Dec 2022	173,405	90,338	81,872	1,195
Assets 31 Dec 2022	101,964	41,471	-24,231	81,361

Revenues

This table shows revenues received by La'o Hamutuk during 2022 from the Norwegian Embassy (through Yayasan Humanis & Inovasi Sosial, Hivos), Comité Catholique Contre la Faim et pour le Développement (CCFD), The Asia Foundation (TAF), Misereor/KZE and earned for services provided by La'o Hamutuk.

Revenues received during 2022

Totalling \$187,373

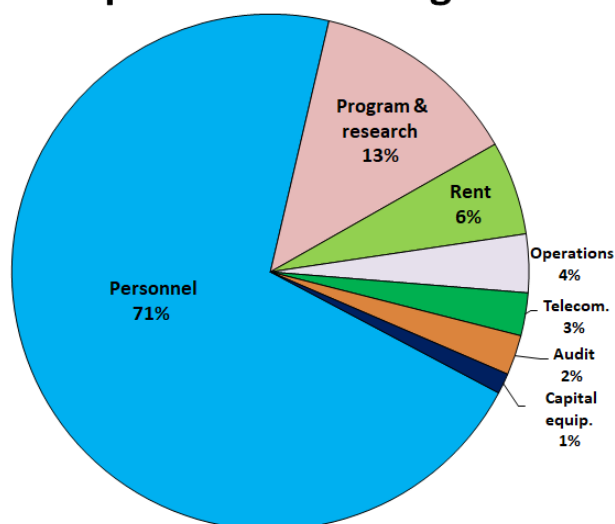


Source	Budget 2022	Actual received	Difference	Explanation
Norway/HIVOS grant	50,000	42,139	-7,861	
CCFD grant	34,000	30,903	-3,097	
The Asia Foundation grant	15,000	10,000	-5,000	TAF had less money to support LH than they had anticipated.
Misereor project grant	110,100	79,501	-30,599	As explained previously, transfer of \$79,493 (plus \$8 interest) in January 2022 for work done during 2021; more will be transferred in 2023 to cover work done in 2022.
Earned for services	5,000	24,830	19,830	Payments for LH work on Open Budget Survey, briefings and trainings for others
Donations and sales	700	0	-700	
Total	214,800	187,373	-27,427	

Expenditures

During 2022 we spent \$173,405, of which \$91,534 was from general support funds and \$81,871 was for the Misereor/KZE-supported project. Personnel costs are the largest component of our expenses because the research, analysis and advocacy that form the core of our work rely on our human resources.

Expenditures during 2022



Category	Budget year 2022	Actual			Difference	Explanation
		General support & reserves	Misereor	Total		
I Non-recurrent expenditure						
IT Equipment	1,000	1,289		1,289	-289	Laptop, monitor and projector
Office Maintenance and equipment	2,850	320	614	984	1,966	Petty cash box and other equipment
II Staff costs						
Personnel	152,200	68,322	54,555	122,877	29,323	Salaries, wage and social security taxes, health insurance, housing allowance, readjustment and severance. Hiring new staff was delayed due to the pandemic.
Training for staff	2,400	-	-	-	2,400	Training was deferred
III Project activities						
Bulletin	1,600	510	1,000	1,510	90	Two issues published
Public meeting	7,000	4,070	5,747	9,817	-2,817	Meetings in several municipalities
Radio and television programs	1,700	1,348	2,508	3,856	-2,156	Eight radio programs and two TV talk shows
Research	6,000	2,849	2,981	3,856	-170	Fieldwork in Covalima, Pualaka and Baucau
Resource center	1,300	358	420	758	542	
Short video production	1,200	475	0	475	725	Video on Climate change
Publication	300	100	-	100	200	
International conferences	1,500	-	-	-	1,500	Most conferences were virtual; some outlays were reimbursed in 2023.
IV Project administration						
Operations & supplies	5,100	2,899	1,955	4,854	246	
Office rent	10,500	4,080	6,120	10,200	300	
Transportation	600	186	229	415	185	
Telephone and internet	5,250	2,327	2,340	4,667	583	
Audit	6,500	1,450	2,900	4,350	2,150	Audits postponed until 2023
Miscellaneous expenses	610	952	122	1,074	-464	
Evaluation	3,000	-	-	-	3,000	Deferred.
	210,610	91,534	81,871	173,405	37,205	

Projected budget for 2023

This is for all of La'o Hamutuk's activities and operations. Misereor/KZE funding is for the project on 'Economic diversification and sustainability'. Payments for services and grants from other donors fund the rest of La'o Hamutuk's work.

Category	Misereor Project	Others	Total	Explanation
1. Non-recurrent expenditure				
IT Equipment	611	989	1,600	Replacement of IT equipment and provision for new staff.
Office maintenance	315	185	500	
Office furniture	221	130	350	
SUB-TOTAL	1,147	1,304	2,450	
2. Staff costs				
Personnel	112,860	56,025	168,885	Salaries, wages and social security taxes, health insurance, housing allowance, international airfare, visa fees
Training for staff (capacity building)	1,537	1,463	3,000	Training in English and other topics
SUB-TOTAL	114,397	57,488	171,885	
3. Project activities				
Bulletin and Surat Popular	1,008	592	1,600	Printing and distribution of Bulletin and Surat Popular
Public meetings	3,583	2,396	5,979	Space rental, publicity, refreshments. Includes Public awareness events for voters in municipalities
Radio programs	1,058	622	1,680	Production and fuel for community radio stations
Research (monitoring, advocacy and networking)	2,520	2,480	5,000	Travel and accommodation for conducting field research in Timor-Leste, including election monitoring
Resource center	-	1,000	1,000	Books, newspaper subscriptions, videos and other materials
Publication	189	111	300	To pay local newspapers to publish LH articles
International conference and event	-	1,500	1,500	Non-reimbursed costs to attend conferences (including online)
SUB-TOTAL	8,359	8,700	17,059	
4. Project administration				
Operations & supplies	3,021	1,775	4,796	Electricity, supplies, bank charges, photocopying etc.
Office rent	6,615	3,885	10,500	
Transportation	364	213	577	Transport and motorcycle maintenance in Dili and nearby
Communication	3,313	1,945	5,258	Telephone, Internet and websites
Auditor	3,000	4,500	7,500	Two audits for Misereor Project, one for General Support and one for HIVOS
Miscellaneous	362	212	574	
Monitoring & evaluation	1,500	-	1,500	
SUB-TOTAL	18,174	12,531	30,705	
TOTAL	142,076	80,023	222,099	

Projected revenues to be received during 2023

During 2022, La'o Hamutuk received some revenues on multi-year grant contracts that are allocated for expenditures during 2023, including \$10,000 from TAF.

Source	Amount	Explanation
CCFD	39,000	Part of three-year contract, with \$5,000 added
Misereor/KZE	110,000	New three-year contract
Hivos (Yayasan Humanis & Inovasi Social)	50,000	Contract through the end of 2023
The Asia Foundation	10,000	
International Budget Partnership	8,500	Research for Open Budget Survey
Earned for services performed	4,500	Payment for briefings and presentations
Sales, interest & donations	500	
TOTAL	222,500	

Appendix 2. Media Coverage

During 2022, La'o Hamutuk was quoted or cited in local and international media more than 120 times. Here's a partial list.

Date	Title	Medium	URL/Page	Comment
12 Jan	Osan Boot, Maibe Laiha Kbiit Ezekusaun	Timor Post	Page 11	Interviews Celestino of the efficacy of budget execution
13 Jan	Fundu Petroliferu Bele Mohu Entre Tinan 10	Timor Post	Page 11	Interviews Celestino on the future of the PF
21 Jan	Timor-Leste's dependence on oil is a ticking time bomb	UCA News	https://www.ucanews.com/news/timor-lestes-dependence-on-oil-is-a-ticking-time-bomb/95804	Quotes Charlie on the impacts of the PF running out
25 Jan	Timor Leste Menderita karena Kemiskinan, Kini Dituding Biang Kerok Kerusakan Alam Lingkungan Dunia	Tribun News	https://makassar.tribunnews.com/2022/01/25/timor-leste-menderita-karena-kemiskinan-kini-dituding-biang-kerok-kerusakan-alam-lingkungan-dunia	Quotes Charlie's presentation on CCS at the Environment Centre NT Seminar
25 Jan	Climate activists target Santos' NT expansion plans	Green Left Weekly	https://www.greenleft.org.au/content/climate-activists-target-santos-nt-expansion-plans	Quotes LH's submission to NTEPA on the Barossa Pipeline Duplication Project
28 Jan	OJE 2022 Governu Investe Deit 1.9% ba Setor Agrikultura, Mariano: Ne'e La Suficiente	Neon Metin	https://neonmetin.info/buletin/2022/01/28/oje-2022-governu-investe-deit-1-9-ba-setor-agrikultura-mariano-nee-la-suficiente/	Interviews Mariano on budget allocations to agriculture.
3 Feb	Reseita Petroliferu Bele Hamoris Ekonomia	Timor Post		Interviews Celestino for alternative perspective.
11 Feb	Timor Leste: Oil Revenue Fails to Address Child Stunting	InDepth News	https://www.indepthnews.net/index.php/the-world/asia-pacific/5074-timor-leste-oil-revenue-fails-to-address-child-stunting	Quotes Charlie and Febe on the impacts of petroleum dependency
15 Feb	East Timor NGO hits out at Santos' carbon storage plans for Barossa LNG	Energy Voice	https://www.energyvoice.com/oilandgas/asia/387738/east-timor-ngo-hits-out-at-santos-carbon-storage-plans-for-barossa-lng/	Cites LH submission to NT EPA on the Barossa Pipeline Duplication Project
16 Feb	Timor Leste NGO asks NT EPA to grill Santos' Barossa CCS	Energy News Bulletin	https://www.energynewsbulletin.net/outlook-analysis/news/1426645/timor-leste-ngo-asks-nt-epa-to-grill-santos%E2%80%99-barossa-ccs	Cites LH submission to NT EPA on the Barossa Pipeline Duplication Project
16 Feb	Not in our waters	Carbon Pulse Daily	https://carbon-pulse.com/151138/	Brief summary and link to LH submission to NT EPA
17 Feb	Critics say Santos' Barossa LNG should be halted until CCS scheme proven	Energy Voice	https://www.energyvoice.com/oilandgas/asia/388407/critics-say-santos-barossa-lng-should-be-halted-until-ccs-scheme-proven/	Cites LH submission to NT EPA on the Barossa Pipeline Duplication Project
22 Feb	Governu Tenki Kria Kondisaun Merkadu ba Negosiante	Independente	Page 6	Interview Mariano on business environment
2 Mar	La'o Hamutuk konsidera projetu CCS la'ós solusaun ba emisaun net zero	Tatoli	http://www.tatoli.tl/2022/03/02/la-o-hamutuk-konsidera-projetu-ccs-laos-solusaun-ba-emisaun-net-zero/	Based on LH press release
3 Mar	Santos proposal for CCS at Bayu-Undan is not a true or honest solution	Neon Metin	neonmetin.info/buletin/2022/03/03/santos-proposal-for-ccs-at-bayu-undan-is-not-a-true-or-honest-solution/	Reprints LH press release

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3 Mar	Proposta Santos Nian Hari CCS iha Bayu Udan La'os Solusaun Loos no la Honestu	Neon Metin	https://neonmetin.info/buletin/2022/03/03/proposta-santos-nian-harii-ccs-ih-a-bayu-undan-laos-solusaun-loos-no-la-onestu/	Publication of LH's press release on Bayu Undan CCS
9 Mar	La'ó Hamutuk apresia deklarasaun misaun permanente TL iha Nasaun Unida	Tatoli	http://www.tatoli.tl/2022/03/09/la-o-hamutuk-apresia-deklarasaun-misaun-permanente-tl-ih-a-nasaun-unida/	Based on LH press release
10 Mar	Timorese civil society calls to end war in Ukraine	Tatoli	http://www.tatoli.tl/en/2022/03/10/timorese-civil-society-calls-to-end-war-in-ukraine/	Based on LH press release
19 Mar	East Timor vote highlights young nation's political impasse	Associated Press (distributed via more than 20 media outlets)	https://apnews.com/article/business-elections-indonesia-voting-presidential-elections-1165382f5ca5ea9e3de1ec0476206886	Quotes LH on declining oil revenues and PF
21 Mar	Timor-Leste Vote Highlights Young Nation's Political Impasse	The Diplomat	https://thediplomat.com/2022/03/timor-leste-vote-highlights-young-nations-political-impasse/	Cites LH analysis of the petroleum fund and need to invest in human resources
25 Mar	OJE 2022 Fulan 3 Ona, Ezekusaun Programa Seidauk La'ó	Independente	Page 11	Interviews Marta on state budget execution
25 Mar	La'ó Hamutuk: Governu Bele Husu Apoiu, Maibe La'os Imprestimu	Independente	Page 12	Interviews Marta on loans
31 Mar	TL EITI report for 2019	TL EITI report for 2019	https://tleiti.mpm.gov.tl/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/2019-TL_EITI-Report.pdf	References LH paper on Implications of recent changes to the Petroleum Fund
7 Apr	Reitor DIT Rekomenda Subsidiu	Timor Post	Pages 1 & 11	Interviews Marta on subsidies
12 Apr	Oxfam-La'ó Hamutuk Organiza Treinamentu Analiza OJE ba Jornalista no Grupu Produtivu	Neon Metin	https://neonmetin.info/buletin/2022/04/12/oxfam-lao-hamutuk-organiza-treinamentu-analiza-oje-2023-ba-jornalista-no-grupu-produtivu/	Reports on budget analysis training carried out by LH and Oxfam
21 Apr	MAP Tenke Kooperera ho Nasaun Vizinu Kombate Virus ASF	Independente	Page 2	Quotes Mariano on combatting ASF
26 Apr	Restaura URA Tinan-20 LH Aprezenta Pontu Negativu iha TL	Timor Post	Page 1 & 15	Interviews Celestino on progress in Timor-Leste since independence
28 Apr	Tambasa sasan folin sae iha merkadu TL	GMNTV Grande Entrevista	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=l6arevP60tE	Celestino appears on panel discussing inflation
2 May	OJE 2022 sa'e to'ó billiaun USD 3.1 ameasa ba Fundu Minarai	GMN TV	https://gmntv.tl/politika/05/2022/oje-2022-sae-too-billiaun-usd-3-1-ameasa-ba-fundu-minarai/ https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ulGyVwVa5rg	Interviews Celestino on the 2022 Budget Rectification
3 May	OJE 2022 sa'e to'ó billiaun USD 3.1 ameasa ba Fundu Petroliu	Jornal Diáriu	Page 1 & 3	Interviews Celestino on the 2022 Budget Rectification
4 May	La'ó Hamutuk Apoiu Governu Ezekuta OJE 2022 ho Kuidadu	Tempo Timor	https://tempotimor.com/ekonomia/11009-la-o-hamutuk-husu-pn-rejeita-proposta-fundu-veteranu-billaun-1	Interviews Celestino on efficacy of budget execution
5 May	La'ó Hamutuk preokupa PN debate orsamentu retifikativu ho karáter urjensia	Tatoli	http://www.tatoli.tl/2022/05/05/la-o-hamutuk-preokupa-pn-debate-orsamentu-retifikativu-ho-karater-urjensia/	Draws extensively from LH submission on the 2022 State Budget Rectification

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5 May	La'o Hamutuk Husu PN Hodi La Aprova Proposta	Neon Metin	https://neonmetin.info/buletin/2022/05/05/lao-hamutuk-husu-pn-hodi-la-aprova-proposta-orsamentu-retifikativu/	Draws extensively from LH submission on the 2022 State Budget Rectification
5 May	Organização timorense critica orçamento retificativo que considera eleitoralista	Lusa	https://portocanal.sapo.pt/noticia/298489	Reports on LH's submission on the 2022 State Budget Rectification
5 May	La'o Hamutuk preokupa PN Hodi debate orsamentu retifikativu ho karáter urjénsia	Tatoli	http://www.tatoli.tl/2022/05/05/lao-hamutuk-preokupa-pn-debate-orsamentu-retifikativu-ho-karater-urjensia/	Based on LH submission
6 May	Orsamentu Retifikativu	STL	Page 1 & 11	Interviews Celestino on the budget rectification
7 May	OJE Retifikativu 2022 Billaun \$1-resin Fó Risku Boot Bá Jestaun Finanseira	Hatutan	https://www.hatutan.com/2022/05/07/oje-retifikativu-2022-billaun-1-resin-fo-risku-boot-ba-jestaun-finanseira/	Draws extensively from LH submission on the 2022 State Budget Rectification
11 May	La'o Hamutuk husu PR Lú Olo veta OR	GMN TV news	https://gmtv.tl/sosiedade/05/2022/lao-hamutuk-husu-pr-lu-olo-veta-or/ https://youtu.be/zLOI6DHbO8k?t=640	Interviews Celestino on LH's submission on the Budget Rectification
12 May	La'o Hamutuk husu PR Lu Olo Veta OR	Jornal Nacional Diáriu	Page 1 & 3	Interviews Celestino on LH's submission on the Budget Rectification
12 May	Saláriu Mínimu	RTTL's <i>Gazeta</i> program	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lk2LDWin6Ss	Interviews Celestino on the need to increase the minimum wage
12 May	LH Realiza Enkontru Públika Ho Autoridade Iha Covalima	Jornal Bisnis Timor	https://www.jornalbisnistimor.com/notisia/ekonomia/5879-lh-realiza-enkontru-publika-ho-autoridade-ih-covalima	Interviews Marta about LH's research in Suai
19 May	Publiku Nian Espetativa ba Presidente Eleitu	Tatoli	https://tatoli.tl/2022/05/19/publiku-nian-espetativa-ba-prezidente-eleitu/	Quotes Celestino on hopes for the incoming President
20 May	Timor Oriental cumple 20 años entre logros políticos y pobreza	El Obrero (Espana)	https://elobrero.es/recursos/gastronomia/88500-timor-oriental-cumple-20-anyos-entre-logros-politicos-y-pobreza.html	Quotes Charlie on Sunrise & diversification
25 May	LH duvida ho politiku Ministeriu Finansas	GMN TV news	https://youtu.be/8SBZf2Uwhhc?t=173	Febe at LH press conference on MPO law
25 May	La'o Hamutuk Apresia Proposta Lei Grande Opsaun Planu 2023	Tatoli	https://tatoli.tl/2022/05/25/lao-hamutuk-apresia-proposta-lei-grande-opsaun-planu-tinan-2023/	Draws extensively from LH submission on Major Planning Options Law
25 May	Lao Hamutuk Avalia Que Execução Do OGE Para 2022 Sem Dar Benefício A Povo	RTTL TV news	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9NCmq1teK90 (Portuguese)	Febe at LH press conference on MPO law
25 May	LH Haksolok PR Horta Hakarak Lori OR ba Tribunal	Independente	Page 1 & 11	Quotes Celestino on Budget Rectification
26 May	La'o Hamutuk Urges Parliament to Explain Spending and Future Revenue	Independente	Page 1 & 9	Draws on LH's submission on the Major Planning Options Law
26 May	LH Hatoo Karta Aberta Ba PN Kona ba Proposta LGOP	Diariu Dili Post	Page 1 & 2	Coverage of press conference on Major Planning Options Law
26 May	Projeitu Auto-Estrada La Fo Benefisiu Ba Povu	Diariu Dili Post	Page 1 & 11	Coverage of press conference on Major Planning Options Law

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26 May	ONG La'ó Hamutuk Kritika OJE Retifikativu	Timor Post	Page 1 & 15	Quotes Febe on 2022 State Budget Rectification
26 May	LH duvida ho politika MF kontinua foti osan boot husi FP	Jornal Diáriu	Page 1 & 3	Coverage of press conference on Major Planning Options Law
26 May	OJE 2023 Prioridade Ba Setor 4	STL	Page 2	Coverage of press conference on Major Planning Options Law
26 May	Lao Hamutuk: Lei Grande Opsaun La Konsidera Impaktu OJER 2022	Neon Metin	neonmetin.info/buletin/2022/05/26/lao-hamutuk-lei-grande-oposaun-la-konsidera-impaktu-ojer-2022/	LH press conference on MPO law
26 May	La'ó Hamutuk: Komponente Projetu Tasi Mane Labele Sai Prioridade OJE 2023	Neon Metin	https://neonmetin.info/buletin/2022/05/26/lao-hamutuk-komponente-projetu-tasi-mane-labele-sai-priodidade-oje-2023/	LH press conference on MPO law
27 May	LH: Programa Sesta Bazika hanesan fantazia	Jornal Diáriu	Page 1	Quotes Mariano on Cesta Bázika
30 May & 5 Jun	Fundu Petroliferu Sei Mamuk Molok Tinan 2035	Business Timor	Page 5 & 25	Quotes Febe on Petroleum Fund
May	As Australia Heads to the Polls, a Look at Morrison's "Gas-Fired Recovery," Carbon Capture, and Greenwashing	<i>Drilled</i> podcast	https://www.spreaker.com/user/15244480/timor-sea-ccs-episode-mixdown	Interviewed Charlie about Laminaria and BU CCS
2 Jun	Timor Leste's New President: Polarisation Defused or Postponed?	Fulcrum	https://fulcrum.sg/timor-lestes-new-president-polarisation-defused-or-postponed/	Cites LH as "Timor's premier development policy think tank" on rectified budget
2 Jun	Sustentabilidade Fundo Petroliferu ho Grandes Opcoes	GMN TV <i>Grande Entrevista</i> program	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=y2XBMFvezww (www.gmntv.tl)	Feature Celestino as a panelist discussing Major Planning Options Law
13 Jun	Lao Hamutuk: MoAF must optimize agricultural land productivity to ensure food security in Timor-Leste	Tatoli	http://www.tatoli.tl/en/2022/06/13/lao-hamutuk-moaf-must-optimize-agricultural-land-productivity-to-ensure-food-security-in-timor-leste/	Interview with Mariano
15 Jun	Implikasaun Lei Opsaun Prinsipál Sira iha Planu ba OJE 2023	RTTL-TV <i>Ita Nia Bainaka</i> program	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=briT0tQuEdI	Celestino and Marta discuss the Major Planning options Law
16 Jun	LH: Mina-rai iha Bayu Undan maran, povu mak sei terus liu	GMN TV	https://gmntv.tl/economia/06/2022/lh-mina-rai-ih-bayu-undan-maran-povu-mak-sei-terus-liu/	Interviews Celestino on implications of the Petroleum Fund running out
22 Jun	Oinsá atu investe iha setór turizmu	RTTL's <i>Gazeta</i> program	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Z38_SpZKil0	Interviews Marta on investment in the tourism sector
30 Jun	Estadu Tenki Pratika Diak Liu Tan Partisipasaun Publiku no Transparensia Haktuir Klasifikasaun Internasional	Neon Metin	https://neonmetin.info/buletin/2022/06/30/estadu-tenke-pratika-diak-liu-tan-partisipasaun-publiku-no-transparensia-haktuir-klasifikasaun-internasional/	Publication of LH press release on Open Budget Survey results
30 Jun	Estadu TL Tenke Prátika Di'ak Liután Partisipasaun Públiku no Transparénsia Haktuir ba Klasifikasaun Internasionál	Lafaek News	https://www.lafaeknews.tl/estadu-tl-tenke-pratika-diak-liutan-partisipasaun-publiku-no-transparensia-haktuir-ba-klasifikasaun-internasional/	Publication of LH press release on Open Budget Survey results

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1 Jul	Timor-Leste: Civil society has played a critical role in strengthening democracy, but civic space shortfalls remain	Civicus	https://civicus.org/index.php/media-resources/news/united-nations/geneva/5885-civil-society-has-played-a-critical-role-in-strengthening-democracy-but-civic-space-shortfalls-remain	Publication of Marta's statement at the 50th Session of the UN Human Rights Council
1 Jul	World Bank: "TL should spend its petroleum fund rightly"	Tatoli	https://www.tatoli.it/en/2022/07/01/world-bank-tl-should-spend-its-petroleum-fund-rightly/	Refers to Economic Survey article by Charlie, reprinting abstract
4 Jul	LH: Sesta Bazika faze daruak laiha benefisiu ba povu	Jornal Diáriu	Pages 1 & 7	Quotes Celestino on Cesta Bazika program
4 Jul	La'ó Hamutuk preokupa TL lakon FP biliar USD 1.6	GMNTV	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xld7UIGZs9A	Quotes Celestino on the PF
5 Jul	TL must do better on public participation and transparency to comply with international standards	Tatoli	http://www.tatoli.tl/en/2022/07/01/world-bank-tl-should-spend-its-petroleum-fund-rightly/	Reprints LH press release
10 Jul	Fundu Petroliferu	Ko'alia Mai Ha'u	https://www.facebook.com/100066896346162/videos/1424135328065753	Celestino as guest, discussing the Petroleum Fund
11 Jul	Hanoin Lisuk Kona-ba Impaktu husi Mudansa Klimátika ba Komunidade	RTTL.EP - "Ita Nia Bainaka" program	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0gGv2ONJxUc	Marta on panel discussing climate change
13 Jul	Sosiedade Sivil apresia desizaun Governu Australia atu hapara kazu kontra Bernard Collaery	TVE	https://www.facebook.com/2331916333745164/videos/577383787320206/	Based on LH article on dropping of charges against Collaery
25 Jul	LH Apresenta Rezultadu OBS Ba Sosiedade Sivil Sira	Jornal Bisnis Timor	https://www.jornalbisnistimor.com/notisia/ekonomia/6062-lh-apresenta-rezultadu-obs-ba-sosiedade-sivil-sira	Reports on LH event on OBS results
27 Jul	La'ó Hamutuk Konsidera Ezekusaun OJE 2022 Ladun La'ó Di'ak	Independente	Page 6	Quotes Mariano on budget execution
28 Jul	La'ó Hamutuk konsidera empréstimu ne'ebé governu halo sei lori risku ba jerasaun foun	GMNTV	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3Zffmlr7jQU	Quotes Marta on Government debt
2 Aug	MAP Iha Ona Ai-moruk Atu Prevene Virus Ataka Animal	Independente	Page 2	Quotes Mariano on agricultural pests
22 Aug	La'ó Hamutuk husu Governu investe maka'as iha area agrikultura	Tatoli	https://tatoli.tl/2022/08/22/lao-hamutuk-husu-governu-investe-makaas-ih-area-agrikultura/	Quotes Mariano on investment in agriculture
26 Aug	Hanoin Lisuk Kona-ba Impaktu husi Mudansa Klimátika ba Komunidade	RTTL.EP "Ita nia Bainaka" program	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0gGv2ONJxUc	Quotes Mariano on budget execution
29 Aug	Governu La Tau Prioridade Ba Setor Produtivu, TL Sei Hasoru Krize Ekonomia	Business Timor	Page 9	Quotes Marta on Gov't budget priorities
31 Aug	Papua New Guinea has revealed it's moving to negotiate a security treaty with Australia and potentially New Zealand.	ABC News (radio) AM program	https://www.abc.net.au/radio/programs/am/png-reveals-plan-for-security-agreement-with-australia/101389150	Interviews Charles on Greater Sunrise and Timor-Leste regional relations
1 Sept	Penny Wong calls for quiet negotiations over gas project after Jose Ramos-Horta warns Timor Leste may turn to China	ABC News (print)	https://www.abc.net.au/news/2022-09-01/penny-wong-rebuke-ramos-horta-woodside-gas-china-company-media/101395882	Quotes Charles on Greater Sunrise and Timor-Leste regional relations
6 Sept	East Timorese leader flies to Australia for critical talks	Associated Press (syndicated)	https://apnews.com/article/australia-state-visits-east-timor-darwin-e01c2c31cedbccb113c3ff8143e15db4 and many others	Cites LH on PF running out

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9 Sept	LH Preokupa Fini Lokal Neebe Lakon Daudaun Ona	Independente	Page 2	Quotes Mariano on agricultural production
13 Sept	Mudansa Klimátika No Dalan Ba Justisa Klimátika Iha TL	RTTL.EP "Itania Bainaka" program	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qK3OWXQRysw	Febe and Marta appear on LH's televised panel on climate justice
22 Sept	LH Konfirma OJE 2023 Billaun \$ 1.8	Independente	Page 6	Quotes Celestino on the budget
29 Sept	Ngo Lao Hamutuk Observa Governu Seidauk Defini Estratéjia Ezekusaun OGE 2022	RTTL	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G0dWP-GC0os	Interviews Celestino on budget execution
11 Oct	Animal Protezidu Balun Ameasadu "Lakon-mohu"	Independente	Page 11	Quotes Mariano on agricultural pests
13 Oct	Timor-Leste presiza diversifika ai-han atu asegura seguransa nutrisaun	Tatoli	https://tatoli.tl/2022/10/13/timor-leste-presiza-diversifika-ai-han-atu-asegura-seguransa-nutrisaun/	Quotes Mariano on agricultural production
13 Oct	Mariano; Kada Tinan Arova Osan, Maibé Nungka Hadia Setór Agrikultur	Neon Metin	https://neonmetin.info/buletin/2022/10/13/mariano-kada-tinan-aprova-osan-maibe-nungka-hadia-setor-agrikultura/	Quotes Mariano speaking at the Hasatil-organized press conference on agricultural production.
13 Oct	Komemorasaun Loron Mundial Aihan & Feto Rural	Channel Direitus Umanus-HAK	https://www.facebook.com/100083098520473/videos/1143135126640634/?extid=NS-UNK-UNK-UNK-AN_GK0T-GK1C	Quotes Mariano speaking at the Hasatil-organized press conference on agricultural production.
19 Oct	OJE 2023: Lao Hamutuk husu Governu fo prioridade ba setor agrikultura	Tatoli	https://tatoli.tl/2022/10/19/oje-2023-lao-hamutuk-husu-governu-fo-prioridade-ba-setor-agrikultura/	Quotes Celestino on allocations to agriculture in the proposed 2023 state budget, from LH press conference
19 Oct	Proposta OGE 2023 ignora realidade Situasaun Finansas Estadu	G News	https://g-rtv.com/blog/proposta-oge-2023-ignora-realidade-situasaun-finansas-estadu/3211/ekonomia/	Reports on LH press conference on the proposed 2023 state budget
19 Oct	LH Konsidera Proposta OJE 2023 Ignora Realidade	Lafaek News	https://www.lafaeknews.tl/lh-konsidera-proposta-oje-2023-ignora-realidade/	Reports on LH press conference on the proposed 2023 state budget
19 Oct	Proposta OJE 2023 Ignora Realidade Situasaun Finansas Estadu	Hatutan	https://www.hatutan.com/2022/10/19/proposta-oje-2023-ignora-realidade-situasaun-finansas-estadu/	Reports on LH press conference on the proposed 2023 state budget
19 Oct	ONG Lao Hamutuk Konsidera Proposta OJE 2023 Montante Boot, Governu Seidauk Iha Planeamentu Estratéjiku	TVE	https://fb.watch/gHXHpOoZ7x/	Reports on LH press conference on the proposed 2023 state budget
19 Oct	La'ó Hamutuk Konsidera Proposta Orsamentu Estadu ba 2023 Ignora Realidade Situasaun Finansas Estadu	SMNews Timor	https://www.facebook.com/Smnewstl/videos/1231460424377454/	Reports on LH press release on the proposed 2023 state budget
19 Oct	LH Observa Proposta OJE 2023, Oportunidade Governu Diversifika Ekonomia	STL	https://stlnews.co/nasional/lh-observa-proposta-oje-2023-oportunidade-governu-diversifika-ekonomia/	Reports on LH press release on the proposed 2023 state budget
19 Oct	Lao Hamutuk: hasa'e produsaun presiza kapasita agrikultór sira	Tatoli	https://tatoli.tl/2022/10/19/lao-hamutuk-hasa-e-produsaun-presiza-kapasita-agrikultor-sira/	Quotes Mariano on agricultural productivity
20 Oct	Sosiedade Sivil Preukupa Ezekusaun OJE 2022	Timor Post	Page 3	Reports on LH press release on the proposed 2023 state budget

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20 Oct	Evita Krize Ekonomia Governu Tenke Diversifika	Independente	Page 6	Reports on LH press release on the proposed 2023 state budget
20 Oct	OJE 2023, Oportunidade Boot Governu Diversifika Ekonomia	STL	Page 6	Reports on LH press release on the proposed 2023 state budget
20 Oct	LH: Proposta OJE 2023 ignora realidade situasaun finansa Estadu	Hatutan	https://www.hatutan.com/2022/10/19/proposta-oje-2023-ignora-realidade-situasaun-finansas-estadu/	Reports on LH press release on the proposed 2023 state budget
20 Oct	La'ó Hamutuk "Finansiamentu Estadu Iha Perigu Laran"	Timor Post	Pages 1 & 15	Quotes Celestino on state finances
20 Oct	LH Kontra Governu Deve Osan husi Australia	Independente	Pages 1 & 11	Quotes LH on Government borrowing
20 Oct	LH: Proposta OJE 2023 ignora realidade situasaun finansa Estadu	Jornal Diáriu	Page 1 & 13	Reports on LH press conference on the proposed 2023 state budget
21 Oct	OJE Boot, Ezekusaun Menus	STL	Page 2	Quotes Marta on budget execution
21 Oct	Ezekusaun Orsamentu MAP Foin Atinji 44%	Independente	Page 6	Quotes Mariano on agriculture budget
24 Oct	Tambasa OGE 2023 boot tebes?	GMNTV Grande Entrevista	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=imVpdMRpkNM	Celestino appears as guest on televised panel, discussing the state budget
8 Nov	La'ó Hamutuk disamina OJE no mudansa klimatika ba comunidade Viqueque	Tatoli	https://tatoli.tl/2022/11/08/lao-hamutuk-disamina-oje-no-mudansa-klimatika-ba-komunidade-viqueque/	Coverage of LH public meeting in Viqueque on the budget and climate change
8 Nov	Entrevista Exclusiva: Diskusaun OJE 2023	Tatoli video	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=quHGStycxE	Interview with Celestino on the state budget
9 Nov	Lao Hamutuk: Governu labele kria injustisa sosial	Jornal Diáriu	Pages 1 & 13	Quotes Celestino on budget policy
16 Nov	PN lamenta liafuan "deputadu mesak kaan-teen de'it"	GMNTV	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bCp00e0AhHs	MP praises LH as a model of engagement with PN
20 Nov	Governu Gasta Ona Biliaun US\$ 15, Dezenvolvimentu Iha Deit Infraestrutura	STL	https://stlnews.co/politika/governu-gasta-ona-biliaun-us-15-dezenvolvimentu-ihadeit-infraestrutura/	Quotes Celestino on Petroleum Fund
2 Dec	Woodside boss makes blunder with East Timor LNG comments	Energy Voice	https://www.energyvoice.com/oilandgas/asia/465928/woodside-boss-makes-blunder-with-east-timor-lng-comments/	Cites and links to LH budget submission, on the future of the Petroleum Fund
8 Dec	Timor Gaps	Inside Story	https://insidestory.org.au/timor-gaps/	Cites LH on fiscal cliff, Charlie on resource curse
14 Dec	Fundu Mina-Rai Hela De'it Ona Billaun \$16-resin	Hatutan	https://www.hatutan.com/2022/12/14/fundu-mina-rai-hela-deit-ona-billaun-16-resin	Reports on LH seminar on the fiscal cliff, quotes Celestino's presentation
14 Dec	Organização não governamental timorense pede veto para orçamento do Estado	Lusa		Based on LH letter to President on the budget
21 Dec	Sustentabilidade Financeiru	RTTL-TV Kafé Dadeer	https://youtu.be/zS8-vz5pVYk?t=1097	18-minute Interview with Atino on live television

Appendix 3. Presentations

Most of the PowerPoints can be downloaded from <https://www.laohamutuk.org/pres.htm>.

Date	Topic	Event	Speaker
January	State Budget Analysis and Advocacy	LH-facilitated training for Fokupers staff, Dili	Marta, Febe
February	Open Budget Survey, State budget process	International Budget Partnership Training (Via Zoom)	Marta
February	Legal framework of TL's state budget	International Budget Partnership Training (Via Zoom)	Marta
March	Revenue and the state budget calendar	International Budget Partnership Training (Via Zoom)	Marta
March	The Resource Curse in Timor-Leste	Asian Studies Association Conference, online	Charles
March	Climate Change	Invited presentation at Sao Jose Brito Kasait, Dili	Febe, Marta
March	State budget analysis on NAP-GBV	LH-facilitated training for Fokupers, Dili	Marta, Febe
April	State Budget Analysis and Advocacy	LH-facilitated training for Oxfam partners	Marta
April	Rights and Sustainability in TL	Briefing for Maluku Timor, Dili	Bree
April	State budget and Agriculture	Oxfam Press briefing, Dili	Mariano, Marta
April	Entrepreneurship in agriculture	Presentation at 2022 Entrepreneurship Expo, Dili	Marta, Febe
April	Budget Analysis	Plan International Youth Event, Dili	Marta
April	Budget Analysis	Plan International Youth Event, Aileu	Marta
April	Budget Analysis	Plan International Youth Event, Ainaro	Marta
April	Economic Overview of Timor-Leste	United Nation's Annual Reflection event	Marta
May	Open and Responsive Budgets	LH-facilitated training for Fokupers, Dili	Marta, Febe
May	State Budget, Agriculture and Land Rights	LH-organized seminar, Suai	Marta, Mariano, Jonathan
May	State Budget, Agriculture and Land Rights	LH-organized seminar, Same	Marta, Mariano Jonathan
May	Budget Analysis	International Budget Partnership Training, Dili	Marta
May	Budget Analysis	International Budget Partnership Training, Dili	Marta and Celestino Atino
May	Budget Analysis	International Budget Partnership Training, Dili	Marta and Febe
May	European Union's Contributions to Timor-Leste	Europe Day celebrations, Dili	Febe
May	Major Planning Options Law	LH-organized press briefing, Dili	
May	Continuing Solidarity: the example of La'ó Hamutuk	International Workshop - Solidarity with TL Struggle for Self Determination (online)	Charles

Date	Topic	Event	Speaker
June	Covid 19 Fund analysis	Seminar on procurement corruption risk analysis in the health sector organized by CAC	Marta
July	Carbon Capture and Storage	LH-organized seminar, Dili	Febe, Mariano
July	Open Budget Survey results	LH-organized seminar, Dili	Febe, Marta
August	Rights and Sustainability	Briefing for incoming AVI volunteers	Febe, Bree
August	The 2022 State Budget and Climate Change	LH-organized seminar, Baucau	Atino, Jonathan
September	The 2022 State Budget and Climate Change	LH-organized seminar, Baucau	Atino, Jonathan
September	Open and responsive budgeting	Three-day International Budget Partnership Training, Dili	Marta, Charlie, Febe
October	Rights and Sustainability	Presentation for Australian Volunteers, Dili	Marta
October	Budget analysis	LH-facilitated training for members of ADTL, Dili	Marta
November	The State Budget, and the Impacts of Climate Change for Agriculture	LH-organized seminar, Viqueque	Marta, Jonathan, Elizabeth
November	The State Budget, and the Impacts of Climate Change for Agriculture	LH-organized seminar, Maubisse	Atino, Mariano, Martinha
November	The State Budget, and the Impacts of Climate Change for Agriculture	LH-organized seminar, Maliana	Atino, Mariano, Martinha
November	The State Budget, and the Impacts of Climate Change for Agriculture	LH-organized seminar, Lospalos	Marta, Jonathan, Elizabeth
November	The State Budget, the Open Budget Survey, and Climate Change	LH-organized seminar at IOB, Dili	Marta, Mariano
November	The State Budget, the Open Budget Survey, and Climate Change	LH-organized seminar at UNITAL, Dili	Marta, Mariano
November	Sustainable Development	Invited presentation, organized by the Secretariat of National Parliament	Jonathan
December	The proposed CCS project at Bayu Undan	Follow the Money training seminar	Marta, Elizabeth
December	How to prevent the Fiscal Cliff	LH-organized seminar, Dili	Marta

Appendix 4. Submissions and Open Letters

Date	Topic	Target	Link
February	Pipelines related to the Barossa Gas Project and carbon capture and storage at Bayu-Undan	Submission to the Northern Territory Environmental Protection Authority (Australia)	https://www.laohamutuk.org/Oil/Project/Bayu/CCS/220215LHSubNTEPADPDproject.pdf
March	The war in Ukraine	Open letter to the nation's leaders	https://www.laohamutuk.org/Justice/2022/220308KomunikaduFunuKontraUkrainaEn.pdf
April	Revisions to the National Strategic Development Plan (PEDN) 2011 – 2030	Joint submission on revision of the PEDN	https://www.laohamutuk.org/econ/SDP/220429SubmisaunOSSkonabaPED.pdf
April	2022 State Budget Rectification	Submission to Members of Parliament	https://www.laohamutuk.org/econ/OGE22/OR/220504LHSubmisaunPN-OR2022en.pdf
May	Proposed Major Planning Options Law	Submission to Members of Parliament	https://www.laohamutuk.org/econ/OJE23/MOP/220524LHbaPNPropostaLeiOpsaunPrinsipalPlanuEn.pdf
June	Thoughts for the 2022 Timor-Leste Development Partners Meeting	Memo distributed to donors' conference	https://www.laohamutuk.org/econ/21TLDPM/Jun2022/220610LHKarta%20ba%20TLDPMen.pdf
July	NGO comments on TL government response to Universal Periodic Review	Video submission to UN Human Rights Council in Geneva	https://youtu.be/-dIUbrfDKEo
August	Recommendations to publish additional statistics on agricultural imports	Letter to the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries and others	https://www.laohamutuk.org/Agri/2022/220809LHKartaMAP.pdf
October	The proposed 2023 State Budget	Submission to Members of Parliament	https://www.laohamutuk.org/econ/OJE23/221017LHSubPNOGE2023en.pdf
December	Promulgation of the 2023 State Budget	Open letter to the President	https://www.laohamutuk.org/econ/OJE23/221209LHKarta%20ba%20PR%20Horta%20konesidera%20OGE%202023en.pdf

Appendix 5. Radio Programs

Recordings of all radio programs produced by La'ó Hamutuk are accessible on our website at <https://www.laohamutuk.org/media/radio.htm>.

Date	Title	Guests
February	Presidential Election 2022	Joãozinho do Santos (Diretór Ezekeivu Rae's Hadomi Timor Oan (RHTO)), Maria Fatima Pereira Guterres (Diretóra FOKUPERS), Celina Soares Franklin (Alumni Parlamentu Foin Sa'e Timor-Leste (APFTL)), Celestino Gusmão Pereira (LH)
March	Carbon Capture and Storage at Bayu-Undan	Elizaria Febe Gomes (LH)
April	Food Systems Summit	Gil Rangel da Cruz (Ministry of Agriculture), Celestino Gusmão Pereira (LH), Junko Ito (Director, PARCIC TL)
May	Climate Change	Ariel Mota Alves (Graduate student, University of Hawaii)
June	The Second Phase of the Cesta Bázika Program	Elizário Ferreira (Secretary of State for Cooperatives), Rofino Soares Gusmão (National Director of Food Security, Ministry of Agriculture) Deviana Vilanova Viegas Sarmento (Youth Parliament Alumni Association - APFTL)
July	Open Budget Survey	Elizaria Febe Gomes (LH), Joãozinho do Santos (Executive Director, Rae's Hadomi Timor Oan (RHTO))
Sept	Universal Periodic Review of Human Rights	Flaviano Leao Moniz (National Director of Human Rights and Citizenship, Ministry of Justice), Maria Imaculada Guterres (Director, The Alola Foundation), Marta da Silva (LH)
Dec	The Fiscal Cliff	Jose Alexandre de Carvalho (Director General, Planning and Budgeting, Ministry of Finance, Celestino Gusmão Pereira (LH)

Appendix 6. Blog Articles

Blog articles published during 2022 are listed below; all the ones listed in English are also in Tetum.

A list of more than 300 posts and updates to our website is at <https://www.laohamutuk.org/updates.htm>.

Date	Topic	Link
March	Santos proposal for CCS at Bayu-Undan is not a true or honest solution	https://laohamutuk.blogspot.com/2022/03/santos-proposal-for-ccs-at-bayu-undan.html
March	Eleisaun Prezidensiál 2022: Eleitor Hotu iha Direitu Hanesan atu Partisipa (Tetun only)	https://laohamutuk.blogspot.com/2022/03/eleisaun-presidential-2022-eleitor-hotu.html
May	LH Husu PN Atu la Aprova Proposta Orsamentu Retifikativu (Tetun only)	https://laohamutuk.blogspot.com/2022/05/la-o-hamutuk-husu-pn-atu-la-aprova.html
May	La'ó Hamutuk writes to Parliament about the proposed Major Planning Options Law for 2023	https://laohamutuk.blogspot.com/2022/05/proposta-lei-opsaun-prinsipal-sira.html
June	LH thoughts for Development Partners	https://laohamutuk.blogspot.com/2022/06/lh-thoughts-for-development-partners.html
June	TimorGAP begins exploring Pualaca Block by itself	https://laohamutuk.blogspot.com/2022/06/timorgap-begins-exploring-pualaca-block.html
July	Timor-Leste Must Do Better on Public Participation and Transparency to Comply with International Standards	https://laohamutuk.blogspot.com/2022/07/timor-lestemust-do-better-on-public.html
July	La'ó Hamutuk Congratulates Australia for Ending the Prosecution of Bernard Collaery and Urges them to Continue to Respect Timor-Leste's Sovereignty	https://laohamutuk.blogspot.com/2022/07/la-o-hamutuk-congratulates-australia-for.html
August	Transparency requires information, not just pretty pictures	https://laohamutuk.blogspot.com/2022/08/transparency-requires-information-not.html
October	LH Considers that the Proposed 2023 State Budget Ignores the State's Actual Financial Situation	https://laohamutuk.blogspot.com/2022/10/lh-considers-that-proposed-2023-state.html
December	COP27 Conference Outcome: Loss and Damage Fund established, but emissions continue unabated.	https://laohamutuk.blogspot.com/2022/12/cop27-conference-outcome-loss-and.html

Appendix 7. La'o Hamutuk Staff and Board Biographies

Staff

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Bree holds a BA (Indonesian and History) and MA (Asian Societies) from the University of Melbourne. She has worked in Australia, Indonesia, and Timor-Leste and within labor, animal, and queer rights movements. She works with La'o Hamutuk's State Finances and Economy and Environment teams, and speaks English, Indonesian, and Tetum. Bree returned to Australia at the end of 2022, but will continue to support La'o Hamutuk.



Elizabeth da Silva

Elizabeth was born in Dili and studied Petroleum Engineering at Universitas Proklamasi 45 Yogyakarta. She worked with NGOI-Italy, Talitakum Magazine, the Secretary of State for Natural Resources and the National Petroleum and Minerals Authority, and joined La'o Hamutuk in August 2022 as a researcher focusing on petroleum and natural resources, and the economy.



Marta da Silva

Marta was born in Gariuai, Baucau, and grew up in Lospalos. She studied social and political science at the National University of Timor-Leste. She joined La'o Hamutuk in 2016, having worked previously with the Australian-supported water and sanitation program BESIK and UNFPA. Marta speaks Fataluku, Tetum, Indonesian and English. Currently Marta works on freedom of expression, good governance and justice issues, and is one of La'o Hamutuk's coordinators.



Martinha Fernandes

Martinha is from Atsabe, Ermera district. She studied petroleum management at DIT, and first came to La'o Hamutuk as a volunteer through a SEPFOPE program in 2015. She now works full-time at La'o Hamutuk as an administration and finance assistant. Martinha speaks Kemak, Tetum and Indonesian.



Mariano Ferreira

Mariano studied economic management at the University Negeri Jember in Indonesia. Born in Dili, Mariano speaks Tetum, Indonesian and English. Since 2003, Mariano was on the Board of Hasatil and worked at the HAK Association, focusing on fisherfolk and researching agriculture. Mariano joined La'o Hamutuk in 2009, where he works on agriculture, land rights and justice, and serves on the personnel team.



Elizaria Febe Gomes

Febe was born in Dili. She graduated from the Institute of Technology Sepuluh Nopember-Surabaya in 2017 with a Bachelor's in Urban and Regional Planning. She started working with La'ó Hamutuk in 2018 on state finance and economics. She speaks Tetum, Portuguese, English, and Bahasa Indonesia, and serves on the personnel team.



Jonathan Gonsalves

Jonathan was born in Suku Parlamentu, Lautem and speaks Fataluku, Tetum, Indonesian and some English. He studies Economics and Business at the Institute of Business (IOB), Dili. Prior to working at La'ó Hamutuk, he worked on state budget transparency and the Petroleum Fund with Core Group Transparency (CGT). He began working with La'ó Hamutuk in July 2021, and works on issues related to State Finances and Economy.



Celestino Gusmão Pereira

Celestino is from Laga and studied public administration at the National University. He speaks Tetum, Indonesian, Makasae and English. Atino joined La'ó Hamutuk in 2011, and he focuses on justice, democracy, solidarity, economics, and state finances and is on our coordination team. He is active in MKOTT and is our focal point in the National Alliance for an International Tribunal (ANTI).



Ricarda Martins

Ricarda is from Laclubar, Manatuto District. She studied development at UNTL, and then worked in finance for the Ministry of Petroleum and Mineral Resources for three years. Ricarda joined La'ó Hamutuk in 2016 as finance officer. She speaks Idate, Tetum, Indonesian and English.



Charles Scheiner

An engineer and long-time Timor-Leste solidarity activist, Charlie worked at La'ó Hamutuk in Dili from 2001 until 2004, and then alternated between New York and Dili, working part-time. He returned to work full-time from 2007 to 2015, before resuming part-time work from New York, and full-time in Dili for a few months every year. He speaks Tetum, English and some Portuguese. Charlie's main foci are natural resources, economics, justice, solidarity and governance, as well as La'ó Hamutuk's website and blog.



Advisory Board

Selma Hayati

An Indonesian human rights activist, Selma started working in Timor-Leste in 2001, including with Concern, Care, Oxfam, La'ó Hamutuk (2003-2004), NGO Forum and UNTAET, UNMIT, UNDP, Action Asia, Fokupers, JSMP, CAFOD, USAID, Ba Distritu and other organizations. Selma writes articles and poetry. She returned to Indonesia in 2018 and continues to work on organizational capacity development of local governments and civil society organizations in Papua and elsewhere, to strengthen government accountability and tolerance.

Inês Noronha Martins

Inês was studying economics at the University of Timor Leste before the Indonesian military destroyed it in September 1999. Born in Bobonaro, Inês joined La'ó Hamutuk staff in 2000, where she worked on agriculture and land rights and coordinated our personnel team. Fifteen years later, she left La'ó Hamutuk to manage Oxfam's new land rights project, and joined our Board in 2017.

Oscar da Silva

Oscar da Silva was born in Uatu-karbau, Viqueque District, is Third Vice Dean within the Faculty of Agriculture at the National University of Timor-Leste. He previously worked for Association HAK and HASATIL. He designed the Community Development Concept Plan and Community Action Plan which were implemented in La'lo Manatuto District), Laulara (Aileu District) and Ataúro (Dili District). Oscar holds a Masters degree in agriculture from the University of Portu.

Andrew de Sousa

An activist with the U.S.-based East Timor and Indonesia Action Network (ETAN), Andrew worked at La'ó Hamutuk from 2001-2003. Since then, he has worked for the Network in Solidarity with the People of Guatemala (Washington), on environmental justice and orangutan conservation with Yayasan Palung (West Kalimantan, Indonesia), Focus on the Global South (Bangkok) and currently with Peace Brigades International (Indonesia). Andrew continued to help La'ó Hamutuk throughout this journey, and he joined our board in 2012.

Santina Soares

Santi was born in Beaçu, Viqueque district. She graduated from the Social Welfare University in Bandung. On returning to Timor-Leste in 2002, she volunteered at the Denore Foundation and worked at the Peace and Democracy Foundation. She was on La'ó Hamutuk's staff from 2005- 2008, before joining the Government's Sunrise LNG Taskforce. In 2010, she completed her Masters on gender and development studies at Asian Institute of Technology in Thailand and now works as a Program Officer for Gender Mainstreaming and Gender Responsive Budgeting at UN Women.

Pamela Sexton

From the USA, Pamela has extensive experience in Indonesia and Timor-Leste. In 1999, she was U.S. coordinator for the IFET Observer Project. Pam helped set up La'ó Hamutuk and served on our staff from 2000-2002, focusing on popular education, gender, and international exchanges. When Pam returned to California, she became a member of our board, returning to Timor-Leste in 2009 (working in the Ministry of Social Solidarity, the Ministry of Education and La'ó Hamutuk). Pam returned to the U.S. in 2019, and continues to cooperate closely with La'ó Hamutuk on capacity development and other issues.

Maxi Tahu

Maxi was born in Selo Kraik, Aileu district. He studied agriculture at the University of New England in Australia, has a Master of Science degree in Food Security and Development from the University of Reading, in England, and recently started his PhD at the University of Wollongong, Australia. Maxi worked at La'ó Hamutuk from 2007 to 2020 on agriculture, food security and nutrition, climate change and fundraising. Maxi joined our Board in 2022.