

**Side Events @ 31<sup>st</sup> SPREP Meeting**  
**4<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> September 2023**  
**Taumeasina Island Resort, Apia Samoa**

Event #	Date / Time	Title	Partners	Contact	Venue/ Room
1	Saturday, 2 <sup>nd</sup> September, 2.00 p.m.	<b>International Coastal Clean Up</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SWAP</li> <li>• MNRE</li> <li>• POLP</li> <li>• ISLANDS</li> <li>• WMPC</li> </ul>	(WMPC) Julie Pillet <a href="mailto:juliep@sprep.org">juliep@sprep.org</a>	<b>Offsite @</b> Moataa Village (Taumeasina)
2	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> September, (Lunch time)	<b>Weather Ready Pacific Decadal Programme of Investment: <i>Preparing for extreme weather events in a 1.5C and a 2C World brought by future climate change.</i></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Australian Bureau of Meteorology</li> <li>• Fiji Met Service (Chair of the PMC)</li> <li>• Government of Tonga (CEO or Director as champions of this initiative)</li> <li>• World Meteorological Organization</li> <li>• MNRE Samoa (NDMO or Met Service)</li> </ul>	(CCR) Salesa Nihmei <a href="mailto:salesan@sprep.org">salesan@sprep.org</a>	Room 1 (Savaii Room)
3	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> September, (Lunch time)	<b>Highlighting the achievements of the Inform Project and its role in the transition towards well-informed, data-based decision making.</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)</li> <li>• Global Environment Facility (GEF)</li> <li>• IUCN</li> </ul>	(EMG) Tavita Su'a <a href="mailto:tavitas@sprep.org">tavitas@sprep.org</a>	Room 2 (Sina Restaurant)
4	Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> September, (Lunch time)	<b>Greening of the Pacific Games 2023</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Government of the Solomon Islands MECDM.</li> </ul>	(WMPC) Andrea Volentras <a href="mailto:andreav@sprep.org">andreav@sprep.org</a>	Room 1 (Savaii Room)
5	Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> September, (Lunch time)	<b>Introduction to the GEF-8 Programming Directions and the recent updates on Multilateral Environment Agreements (MEAs)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GEF Secretariat</li> <li>• GEF Partners</li> <li>• MEA Conventions</li> </ul>	(IOE) Sarah Amy Wyatt <a href="mailto:swyatt@thegef.org">swyatt@thegef.org</a> Anil Bruce Sookdeo <a href="mailto:asookdeo@thegef.org">asookdeo@thegef.org</a> Juney and Amanda	Room 2 (Sina Restaurant)

6	Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> September, (Evening) 6.00 p.m.	<b>Port Based Outreach: saving endangered species from by-catch.</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Birdlife Pacific</li> </ul>	(IOE) Margaret West, Birdlife Pacific Director <a href="mailto:Margaret.West@birdlife.org">Margaret.West@birdlife.org</a> Stephanie Borrelle, BirdLife Pacific <a href="mailto:Stephanie.Borrelle@birdlife.org">Stephanie.Borrelle@birdlife.org</a> James Nagan – <a href="mailto:James.Nagan@Birdlife.org">James.Nagan@Birdlife.org</a> Karen Baird <a href="mailto:kbaird@sprep.org">kbaird@sprep.org</a>	Room 1 (Savaii Room)
7	Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> September, (Evening)	<b>Strengthening Environmental &amp; Social Risk Management in the Pacific</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>World Bank</li> </ul>	(EMG) Jope Davetanivalu <a href="mailto:joped@sprep.org">joped@sprep.org</a> Ivan Diarra – <a href="mailto:ivand@sprep.org">ivand@sprep.org</a>	Main Conference Venue (Upolu & Manono Rooms)
8	Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> September, (Lunch time)	<b>Strengthening Pacific Engagement in the IPCC Assessment Reporting Cycles and Processes</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Australian National University,</li> <li>University of Melbourne,</li> <li>Government of Samoa,</li> <li>Pacific Centre for Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency/SPC</li> </ul>	(CCR) Ofa Kaisamy <a href="mailto:ofak@sprep.org">ofak@sprep.org</a> Yvette Kerlake - <a href="mailto:yvettek@sprep.org">yvettek@sprep.org</a>	Room 1 (Savaii Room)
9	Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> September, (Lunch time)	<b>Building Digital Resilience</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SPREP IT,</li> <li>KM and</li> <li>Technical Programmes</li> </ul>	(GO) Chris Slaven <a href="mailto:christians@sprep.org">christians@sprep.org</a> Billy Chan Ting <a href="mailto:billc@sprep.org">billc@sprep.org</a> Ainsof So'o – <a href="mailto:ainsofs@sprep.org">ainsofs@sprep.org</a>	Room 2 (Sina Restaurant)

10	Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> September, (Evening)	<b>Opportunities for Incorporating Circular Economy into Waste Management Decision Making and Legislation.</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Member countries: Solomon, Cook Islands and Fiji (<i>tbc</i>)</li> <li>• ANZPAC</li> <li>• Pacific Recycling Foundation</li> <li>• WMPC team (Solid Waste Management Adviser, Pollution Adviser and PacWaste Plus Project)</li> </ul>	(WMPC) Susana Telakau <a href="mailto:susanat@sprep.org">susanat@sprep.org</a> Hilary Boyes - <a href="mailto:hilaryb@sprep.org">hilaryb@sprep.org</a> Mohammed Asid Zullah - <a href="mailto:mohammedz@sprep.org">mohammedz@sprep.org</a>	Room 1 (Savaii Room)
11	Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> September, (Evening)	<b>IUCN World Commission on Protected Areas (<i>tbc</i>)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• IUCN</li> </ul>	(IOE) Lou Sanson, IUCN WCPA for Oceania Vice Chair <a href="mailto:lousanson@icloud.com">lousanson@icloud.com</a> Vainuupo- <a href="mailto:vainuupoj@sprep.org">vainuupoj@sprep.org</a>	Main Conference Venue (Apolima & Manono Rooms)
12	Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> September (Lunch time)	<b>Showcasing SPREP gender activities and products</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SPREP and partners</li> </ul>	Ofa Kaisamy, <a href="mailto:ofak@sprep.org">ofak@sprep.org</a> Mathilde – <a href="mailto:mathildek@sprep.org">mathildek@sprep.org</a> and GEIM	Room 1 (Savaii Room)
13	Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> September (Lunch time)	<b>Mercury Free Pacific</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• UNEP</li> <li>• Biological Research Institute</li> <li>• Alliance of Mercury Free Dentistry</li> <li>• Pacific Parties to the Minamata Convention</li> </ul>	(WMPC) Joshua Sam <a href="mailto:joshuas@sprep.org">joshuas@sprep.org</a> Edward Nicholas - <a href="mailto:edwardn@sprep.org">edwardn@sprep.org</a>	Room 2 (Sina Restaurant)
14	Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> September (Evening – 7.00 p.m.)	<b>PRISMSS Restoring Island Resilience Event</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NZ MFAT</li> <li>• Protégé</li> <li>• EU</li> <li>• GEF 6 RIP</li> <li>• GEF</li> <li>• UN Environment</li> </ul>	(IOE) David Moverley <a href="mailto:davidm@sprep.org">davidm@sprep.org</a> Isabell Rasch <a href="mailto:isabellr@sprep.org">isabellr@sprep.org</a>	Offsite @ Robert Louis Stevenson Museum, Vailima