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SUBJECT: **Invitation to nominate a representative as National Marine Turtle Monitoring Coordinators; Pacific BioScapes Programme**

Dear Members,

SPREP, through its European Union (EU) funded Pacific BioScapes Programme (PBS) is implementing a series of activities focusing on turtle monitoring and conservation. In particular, the programme seeks to establish a network of National Marine Turtle Monitoring Coordinators in 11 target Pacific countries, i.e. Cook Islands, Fiji, Kiribati, Republic of the Marshall Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Vanuatu.

SPREP seeks nominations from the 11 member countries (mentioned above) of Marine Turtle Coordinators (1 per country) who will be provided with substantial capacity building and learning opportunities. The nominated coordinators will greatly benefit from a series of training in turtle tagging and monitoring under the programme, exposure to regional and international peers and initiatives, and with the possibility to receive further assistance in the form of training equipment's for sea turtle monitoring in the field in-country.

Travel to attend workshops and trainings (to be confirmed in due course) will be covered by SPREP.

For further information, please contact:

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Yours sincerely,



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