

## CIRCULAR

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SUBJECT:Pacific Climate Change Centre and the University of Melbourne successful outcome of<br/>the Stage 1 and preparation for Stage 2 for the Australia Award Fellowship "Advancing<br/>Climate, Health, and Equity outcomes through local action in the Indo-Pacific"

Dear Focal Points,

As you aware with reference to circular <u>https://www.sprep.org/circular/cir2351</u> SPREP through the Pacific Climate Change Centre in partnership with the University of Melbourne have successful delivered the first stage of the fellowship programme on climate, health, and equity to a cohort of 15 policy makers and researchers from the Pacific and Southeast Asia. I would like to acknowledge the strategic cooperation and warm congratulations to the Pacific Fellows.

We are pleased to announce that the second stage of the program will be delivered in-person over a week at the Pacific Climate Change Centre in Apia, Samoa from 18 - 22nd March 2024. This includes the presentation of the Climate Change and health policy and practice outputs implementation post programme, the development of health-specific funding proposals and prioritized research for publication. We therefore appreciate your kind cooperation for the Pacific fellow's participation as per list attached to the second stage of the fellowship. This circular serves to inform you of the successful completion of phase 1 and preparations for phase 2. The PCCC has been in contact with the successful fellows from the first stage for preparation for the second stage of the fellowship programme scheduled for 18 - 22 March 2024.

In light of the above we would like to seek your approval of the following Pacific fellows:

- 1. **Mr Samisoni Mumui Tupou**, Ministry of Meteorology, Energy, Information, Disaster Management, Environment, Climate Change and Communications, Tonga
- 2. Ms Victoria Ieremia- Faasili, Ministry of Health, Samoa
- 3. **Ms Tsatsa Leah Seimarlie**, Ministry of Environment, Climate Change, Disaster Management & Meteorology, Solomon Islands
- 4. **Mr Correy Ariote Abraham**, Department of Environment, Climate Change and Emergency Management, Federated States of Micronesia
- 5. Mr Ruben Robin Kipoi, Climate Change and Development Authority, Papua New Guinea
- 6. Ms Litiana Talake\* Climate Change Department, Ministry of Finance, Tuvalu
- 7. Mr Teanibuaka Tabunga, Ministry of Health, Kiribati

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- 8. Ms Vanessa Uelese Va'ai, Ministry of Finance and Economic Development, Kiribati
- 9. **Mr Mackzine Lakjohn**, Ministry of Public Works, Infrastructure and Utilities, Republic of Marshall Islands

We look forward to our strengthened cooperation and partnership in addressing climate change and health for the Pacific.

Your sincerely,

Sefanaia Nawadra Director General

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- 1. Concept note
- 2. Invitation to Pacific fellows
- 3. List of Pacific fellows successfully completed Stage 1 from the Pacific