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Agenda Item 10.2: Climate Change Division - 2016 Overview

Purpose

1. To provide an overview of the Climate Change Division's work programme activities for 2016 consistent with the SPREP Strategic Plan. Detailed activities are outlined in the CCD Work Plan and Budget.

Summary of Key Activities for the Year

- 2. Implementing Adaptation Measures Key Activities for the year
 - Region-wide support on climate change policy, mainstreaming and development and implementation of Joint National Action Plans (JNAPs) for climate change and disaster risk reduction.
 - USAID adaption support for Abaiang, Kiribati and Choiseul, Solomon Islands. Project extended to mid 2016.
 - Continuation of PPCR Regional track implementation (Kosrae and Tuvalu)
 - Operational functioning of the RTSM-RRF
 - Support implementation of the SRDP
 - Support for the EU/SPC GCCA-PSIS end mid-year 2016, with regional extension project to be confirmed by EU for a further 5 years
 - Support to AF and GCF projects proposal development and implementation

3. Improving Capacity, Knowledge and Understanding of Climate Change Risks and Reduction

- Ensuring PCCC is effectively planned and implemented
- Monitoring and mid-term review of the Pacific Islands Meteorological Strategy (PIMS)
- Engagement in climate information coordination and co-operation (PMC outcomes including Climate Services)
- FINPAC implementation up to the end of 2016
- Continuation of the Climate Prediction Services Project in collaboration with PIFS and Government of the Republic of Korea
- Pacific Climate Change Portal upgrading and strengthening of provision of climate information (iCLIM)
- Regional Coordination (CROP Executive CC and DRM sub-committee, WARD, Steering Committees of CC Regional Projects)

- Climate change and disaster risk management plans for national broadcasters (end first quarter of 2016)
- Supporting PICs in UNFCCC processes
- Implementing UK Met project
- New regional ocean acidification project with New Zealand and partners
- Collaboration with WMO

4. Contributing to Greenhouse Gas Reduction

- Support national capacity to develop projects for the implementation of their national energy roadmaps
- Implementation of Pacific SIDS Dock projects
- Support for development of GCF mitigation projects
- Supporting PICs in National communications to the UNFCCC COP including INDCs and NAMAs
- Support the development of the Pacific Center for Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency
- Support the development of the Pacific SIDS DOCK Center
- Support Nauru on its EU-GIZ Adapting to Climate Change and Sustainable Energy (ACSE)

5. Pipeline Initiatives

- Support WARD development of joint regional concept(s) on Climate Change targeting opportunities from EU-GCCA (intra ACP)
- GCF projects on CC applied science for mitigation and adaptation
- Working with PIFS, SPC and ISDR and partners on implementation arrangements for SRDP

6. Challenges

- Additional requests during the year are likely to exceed budget
- Time and resources spent on regional collaboration and partnerships
- Funding for key positions at the Pacific Met Desk
- CCD capacity is still very much project based and lacks sufficient capacity and resources for requested back-stopping services

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