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## SPREP implementation of the SAMOA Pathways Thematic Areas

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<b>Preamble</b>				
15. We recognize that the adverse impacts of climate change compound existing challenges in small island developing States and have placed additional burdens on their national budgets and their efforts to achieve the sustainable development goals. We note the views expressed by small island developing States that the financial resources available to date have not been adequate to facilitate the implementation of climate change adaptation and mitigation projects, and we also recognize that, at times, complex application procedures have prevented some small island developing States from gaining access to funds that are available internationally. In this regard, we welcome the recent Green Climate Fund Board decision to aim for a floor of 50 per cent of the adaptation allocation for particularly vulnerable countries, including small island developing States, and we note the importance of continued support to address gaps in the capacity to gain access to and manage climate finance.	CC EMG Corporate	GEF EA; GCF RIE; AF RIE; GEF and GCF Advisers to assist PICTs with access; SPREP GEF Advisory Group; MSP for GEF IA ; CCD staff engaged in project development with PICs for GCF and AF	Complete MSP; Continue support for access; Support National & regional prioritisation, concepts, proposals; need for continued technical assistance at country level for project development and pipelines	FCCC, GEF Council, Adaptation Fund Board & GCF Board  SDG 13 & 17
<b>Sustained and sustainable, inclusive and equitable economic growth with decent work for all</b>				
<i>Development models in small island developing States for the implementation of sustainable development and poverty eradication</i>				
25. We affirm that there are different approaches, visions, models and tools available to each country, in accordance with its national circumstances and priorities, for achieving sustainable development in its three dimensions, which is our overarching goal. In this regard, we consider the green economy in the context of sustainable development and poverty eradication as one of the important tools available for achieving sustainable development. We call upon the United Nations system, in collaboration with other stakeholders, to strengthen its coordination and support of small island developing States that want to pursue green economy policies.	EMG	Established mechanism through SDWG and NSDS Partnership  Developing project with UNEP	Chair SDWG;  Participate in NSDS support,  Finalise, resource and implement project	Rio+20; SAMOA Pathway  SDG 8 & 9
27. Taking into full account their national development priorities and individual country circumstances and legislation, we call for support for the efforts of small island developing States to take the following actions:				
30. Recognizing that sustainable tourism represents an important driver of sustainable economic growth and decent job creation, we strongly support small island developing States in taking the following actions:	EMG	Developing EIA Guidelines for coastal and tourism development, MOU with SPTO,	Partner in EDF 11 Sustainable Tourism project	Rio+20; SAMOA Pathway  SDG 8 & 9

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		Collaboration with SPTO under EDF 11,  Collaboration with UNEP on Green Economy	Tourism pilot in GE Project	
(e) <b>Leveraging the expertise</b> of, inter alia, the Global Sustainable Tourism Council, the Global Observatories on Sustainable Tourism of the World Tourism Organization, the Global Partnership for Sustainable Tourism and other United Nations bodies, as well as the 10-year framework of programmes on sustainable consumption and production patterns, to <b>provide platforms for the exchange of best practices</b> and direct and focused support to their national efforts;	EMG	MOU with SPTO, EIA Guidelines for tourism development	Develop initiative on GE and SCP with UNEP	Rio+20; SAMOA Pathway  SDG 8, 9 & 12
(f) Establishing, upon request, an <b>island, food and sustainable tourism support initiative based on community participation</b> , which takes into consideration ethical values, livelihoods and human settlements, the landscape, the sea, local culture and local products, in collaboration with the World Tourism Organization, the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Environment Programme, the United Nations Human Settlements Programme, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, regional development banks and regional and national agricultural, cultural, environmental and tourism authorities where they exist;	BEM, EMG	EBA Project in Fiji, Solomon Islands and Vanuatu  Ecotourism and marine turtle conservation project in Fiji, Kiribati and Solomon Islands  Development of an action plan for ecotourism and iconic marine species as an outcome of the Blue Days conference in French Polynesia in June 2015	Consider integrating within EBA Project  Develop initiative on GE and SCP with UNEP  Broaden initiative through collaboration with SPREP and SPTO and supporting donors	CBD, Rio+20, SAMOA Pathway  SDG 2, 8 & 12
<b>Climate Change</b>				
38. We <b>look forward to the full operationalization and initial capitalization of the Green Climate Fund</b> , including the expeditious implementation of its initial resource mobilization process, taking into account that the Fund will play a key role in channelling, new, additional, adequate and predictable financial resources to developing countries and will catalyse climate finance, both public and private, at the international and national levels.	CC	GCF IA, GCF Adviser	Support PICs for effective engagement at GCF Council for enhanced access and simplified procedures	FCCC, GCF Council  SDG 13 & 17
39. We urge <b>developed country parties to increase technology, finance and capacity-building support</b> to enable increased mitigation ambition and	CC	PCCR, Pre COP	Support PICS for effective engagement	FCCC

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adaptation actions on the part of developing country parties.			at COP	SDG 13 & 17
44. We call for support for the efforts of small island developing States:				
(a) To build resilience to the impacts of climate change and to improve their adaptive capacity through the design and implementation of climate change adaptation measures appropriate to their respective vulnerabilities and economic, environmental and social situations;	CC	SRDP formulated, approved by SM	Implement SRDP	FCCC SDG 9, 11 & 13
(b) To improve the baseline monitoring of island systems and the downscaling of climate model projections to enable better projections of the future impacts on small islands;	CC	SRDP formulated, approved by SM; partnership with regional projects through Pacific Meteorological Desk Partnership and Pacific Meteorological Council	Implement SRDP and Pacific Islands Meteorological Strategy (PIMS)	FCCC, WMO SDG 9, 11 & 13
(c) To raise awareness and communicate climate change risks, including through public dialogue with local communities, to increase human and environmental resilience to the longer-term impacts of climate change;	CC	CC Portal, Finland-Pacific Project		FCCC, WMO SDG 9, 11 & 13
(d) To address remaining gaps in capacity for gaining access to and managing climate finance.	CC	Complete MSP; Continue support for access; Support National & regional prioritisation, concepts, proposals; need for continued technical assistance at country level for project development and pipelines	FCCC, GEF Council, Adaptation Fund Board & GCF Board SDG 13 & 17	Complete MSP; Continue support for access; Support National & regional prioritisation, concepts, proposals; need for continued technical assistance at country level for project development and pipelines
45. We recognize that the phasing out of ozone-depleting substances is resulting in a rapid increase in the use and the release into the environment of hydrofluorocarbons with a high potential for global warming. We support the gradual phasing down of the consumption and production of hydrofluorocarbons.	WMPC	Regional Project with UNEP	Implement regional project on HFC Phase Out	Montreal Protocol SDG 12 & 13

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46. We recognize the importance of scaling up <b>support for activities to reduce emissions from deforestation and forest degradation</b> in the context of the REDD-plus mechanism in small island developing States, including the implementation of the Warsaw Framework for REDD-plus	CC	Lead is SPC and FAO,  Member of Land Resources Working Group	Support SPC/FAO as needed;  Support PICs to raise at COP	FCCC  SDG 2, 13 & 15
<b>Sustainable Energy</b>				
49. We urge the international community, including regional and international development banks, bilateral donors, the United Nations system, the International Renewable Energy Agency and other relevant stakeholders to <b>continue to provide adequate support, including in the areas of capacity-building and technology transfer, on mutually agreed terms, for the development and implementation of national, regional and interregional energy policies, plans and strategies</b> to address the special vulnerabilities of small island developing States. We welcome the Global Renewable Energy Islands Network of the International Renewable Energy Agency, which helps small island developing States by pooling knowledge and sharing best practices.	CC	SRDP formulated, approved by SM; SIDS Dock projects; GCF	Implement SRDP	FCCC, IRENA  SDG 7, 12 & 13
50. We strongly support actions: (f) To enhance international cooperation and cooperation among small island developing States for research and technological development and for the implementation of <b>appropriate renewable energy and energy-efficient and environmentally sound technologies</b> for small island developing States, including <b>cleaner fossil fuel technology and smart grid technology</b> , through the provision of, inter alia, financing from a variety of sources, the exchange of best practices and access to efficient technologies on mutually agreed terms;	CC	Completing PIGGAREP  GCF Implementing Agency	Develop projects with members and partners	FCCC  SDG 7, 12 & 13
(g) To <b>access existing mechanisms</b> , or, in regions with no existing mechanism, to encourage the establishment of user-friendly, accurate and comprehensive <b>regional data repositories as online databases</b> on energy, and to conduct technical studies and gather information on grid stability and management, including maximizing the integration of renewable energy and innovative storage mechanisms;	CC	Climate Change portal established	Maintain and upgrade portal and increase awareness to attract more users	FCCC  SDG 7, 12 & 13

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52. In consideration of the special case of small island developing States and their unique and particular vulnerabilities, we are committed to supporting their efforts:  (a) To gain access to <b>technical assistance and financing for</b> early warning systems, disaster risk reduction and post-disaster response and recovery, risk assessment and data, land use and planning, <b>observation equipment</b> , disaster preparedness and recovery education programmes, including under the Global Framework for <b>Climate Services</b> , and disaster risk management;	CC	Established Pacific Meteorological Council (PMC)  FINPAC Project  New partnership with WMO  Regional technical assistance Mechanism (RTSM)	Manage and implement current initiatives	FCCC, WMO  SDG 12 & 17
<b>Oceans and Seas</b>				
54. SIDS have large maritime areas and have shown notable leadership in conservation and sustainable use of those areas and their resources. We <b>support SIDS' efforts</b> to develop and implement strategies <b>for conservation and sustainable use</b> of those areas and their resources. We also support SIDS' efforts to conserve their valuable underwater cultural heritage.	BEM	Support to MPAs and LMMAs including PIPA and Micronesia Trust GEF Projects  Pacific Oceanscape  Pacific Oceans Alliance	Continue to provide support  Incorporate in EDF 11 proposals	Biodiversity MEAs  Noumea Convention  SDG 14
56. Recognizing the concern that <b>potential oil leaks from sunken State vessels have environmental implications</b> for the marine and coastal ecosystems of small island developing States and taking into account sensitivities surrounding vessels that are marine graves, small island developing States and relevant <b>vessel owners should continue to address the issue bilaterally on a case-by-case basis.</b>	WMPC	WWI Strategy now through bilateral arrangements	Continue to monitor and assist bilateral arrangements	Noumea Convention  UNCLOS  SDG 14
57. We recognize that <b>an integrated ecosystem approach to ocean-related activities is needed</b> to optimize opportunities. It should be based on the best available science, give due regard to conservation efforts and precautionary approaches and ensure coherence and balance among the three dimensions of sustainable development.	BEM	Pacific Oceanscape Framework  Pacific Ocean Alliance	Incorporate in EBA projects  EDF 11 Funding proposals	UNCLOS CBD SDG 14
58. With this in mind, we strongly support action:  (c) To <b>implement fully and effectively the regional seas programmes</b> in which small island developing States participate;	Executive	SPREP is the Pacific regional seas programme  Noumea Convention	Maintain and strengthen linkages to regional seas programme	Noumea convention  SDG 14 & 17

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(d) To <b>address marine pollution</b> by developing effective partnerships, including through the development and implementation of relevant arrangements, such as the United Nations Environment Programme Global Programme of Action for the Protection of the Marine Environment from Land-based Activities, and, as appropriate, instruments on marine debris and on nutrient, wastewater and other marine pollution, and through the sharing and implementation of best practices;	WMPC	Pacific Regional Centre covering all waste related MEAs, Waigani Convention, Noumea Convention, PacPOL, PacWaste Project, GEFPAS uPOPs project, uLAB project	Consolidate existing work under Cleaner Pacific 2025 Framework  Start Marine Debris/Litter Project	Waste MEAs IMO MEAs Noumea Convention SDG 12, 14 & 17
(e) To undertake urgent action to <b>protect coral reefs</b> and <b>other vulnerable marine ecosystems</b> through the development and implementation of comprehensive and integrated approaches for the management and the enhancement of their resilience to withstand pressures, including from ocean acidification and invasive species, and by drawing on measures such as those identified in the Framework for Action 2013 of the International Coral Reef Initiative;	BEM CCD	Implement the NZ ODA funded ocean acidification project  Implementing integrated ridge-to-reef and whole island EbA responses to climate change adaptation		CBD , Noumea convention  SDG 12, 13, 14 & 17
<b>Sustainable Consumption and Production</b>				
69. In this regard, we call for support for the efforts of small island developing States to <b>develop and implement programmes under the 10-year framework of programmes on sustainable consumption and production</b> patterns to advance sustainable consumption and production, with an emphasis on micro, small and medium-sized enterprises, sustainable tourism, waste management, food and nutrition, lifestyles, education for sustainable development and linkages in the supply chain to promote rural development.	EMG	This is a gap in our work. We address aspects especially through work on waste management but needs more integrated approach	Work with UNEP to develop activities in this area in conjunction with Green Economy initiative	10-year frame work of programs on sustainable consumption and production  SDG 12
<b>Management of chemicals and waste, including hazardous waste</b>				
71. In this regard, we acknowledge the following actions to improve the management of chemicals and waste:	WMPC	Pacific Regional Centre covering all waste related MEAs, Waigani Convention, Noumea Convention, PacPOL, PacWaste Project, GEFPAS uPOPs project, uLAB project	Consolidate existing work under Cleaner Pacific 2025 Framework	Waste MEAs
(a) <b>Enhancing technical cooperation</b> programmes, including those under the Basel Convention on the Control of Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and Their Disposal, the Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management of the United Nations Environment Programme, the Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme, the London Convention and Protocol and the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships, and the Honolulu Strategy to strengthen national, regional and international mechanisms for the management of waste, including chemical				IMO MEAs Noumea Convention  SDG 12, 14 & 17

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and hazardous waste, ship- and aircraft-generated waste and marine plastic litter, and further strengthening and expanding geographic coverage of oil spill contingency plans;				
(b) For <b>States</b> that have not done so, <b>considering becoming parties to</b> and ensuring an enabling environment for the implementation, including with technical and other appropriate support, of the <b>multilateral environmental agreements</b> on chemicals and waste and implementing, as appropriate, the Globally Harmonized System of the Classification and Labeling of Chemicals and the Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management;	WMPC	Pacific Regional Centre covering all waste related MEAs, Waigani Convention training, GEFPAS uPOPs project	Consolidate existing work under Cleaner Pacific 2025 Framework  Continue to support non parties to become parties	Waste MEAs  Noumea Convention  SDG 12, 14 & 17
(d) <b>Implementing reduction, reuse, recycling, recovery and return approaches</b> in accordance with national capacities and priorities, inter alia, through capacity-building and environmentally appropriate technologies.	WMPC	J-PRISM, SPREP WMPC work, GEFPAS uPOPs project, PacWaste Project	Consolidate existing work under Cleaner Pacific 2025 Framework Continue partnership with J-PRISM 2	Waste MEAs  SDG 12 & 17
<b>Biodiversity</b>				
89. We <b>agree to promote international cooperation and partnerships</b> , as appropriate, and information exchange, and in this context we welcome the United Nations Decade on Biodiversity, 2011-2020, for the purpose of encouraging the active involvement of all stakeholders in the conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity, as well as their access to and the fair and equitable sharing of benefits arising from the utilization of genetic <b>resources</b> , with the vision of living in harmony with nature.	BEM	Pacific Islands Roundtable for Nature Conservation  Framework for Nature Conservation 2014-2020	Resourcing and Implementation of Framework for Nature Conservation 2014-2020	CBD  SDG 14, 15 & 17
90. We recognize that overall SIDS have <b>extraordinary marine and terrestrial biodiversity</b> , and in many cases this is fundamental to their livelihoods and identity. Noting that this valuable biodiversity and the ecosystem services it provides are at grave risk, we strongly <b>support SIDS efforts</b> to: a) <b>Conserve biological diversity</b> , the sustainable use of its components and the fair and equitable sharing of the benefits arising out of the utilization of genetic resources. b) <b>Export</b> organic, natural, sustainably produced and locally grown products. c) <b>Access financial and technical resources</b> for the conservation and sustainable management of biodiversity	BEM	Pacific Islands Roundtable for Nature Conservation  Framework for Nature Conservation 2014-2020	Resourcing and Implementation of Framework for Nature Conservation 2014-2020	CBD  Nagoya Protocol  SDG 14, 15 & 17
91. We invite parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity to consider <b>ratifying and implementing the Nagoya Protocol</b> on Access to Genetic	BEM	Technical assistance to members to become	Finalise and Submit GEF ABS Capacity Building	CBD

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Resources and the Fair and Equitable Sharing of Benefits Arising from their Utilization to the Convention on Biological Diversity, while acknowledging the role of access and benefit-sharing arising from the utilization of genetic resources in contributing to the conservation and sustainable use of biological diversity, poverty eradication and sustainable development.		party to Nagoya Protocol	Project	SDG 14, 15 & 17
<b>Forests</b>				
94. Recognizing that forests are vital to livelihoods and ecosystems, we strongly support the efforts of small island developing States: a) Implement the Non-Legally Binding Instrument on All Types of Forests. b) Slow, halt and reverse deforestation and forest degradation, including, <i>inter alia</i> , by promoting trade in legally and sustainably harvested forest products. c) Achieve appropriate and effective reforestation, restoration and afforestation. d) Address obstacles and pursue opportunities to mobilize financing from all sources to support national sustainable forest management policies and improve the state of biological diversity by conserving and safeguarding ecosystems, species and genetic e) To participate in the review of the International Arrangement on Forests under the United Nations Forum on Forests in order to explore the full range of options on the future of the Arrangement;	BEM	Pacific Islands Roundtable for Nature Conservation  Framework for Nature Conservation 2014-2020  CROP Land Resources Working Group	Resourcing and Implementation of Framework for Nature Conservation 2014-2020  CROP Land Resources Working Group	CBD  SDG 13 & 15
<b>Invasive Species</b>				
95. Noting that invasive alien species pose a threat to sustainable development and undermine the efforts of small island developing States to protect biodiversity and livelihoods, preserve and maintain ocean resources and ecosystem resiliency, enhance food security and adapt to climate change, we call for support for the efforts of small island developing States: (a) To <b>enhance multisectoral collaboration</b> at the national, regional and international levels, including through expanded support to existing structures, to effectively address invasive alien species;	<u>BEM</u>	Pacific Invasives Partnerships  Pacific Invasives Learning Network  GEF 5 and GEF PAS Invasives Projects	Participate in the SPREP Meeting endorsed GEF-6 large scale invasive species project to be submitted to GEF	CBD  SDG 14 & 15