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from Pacific Island Countries  
Climate Change Focal Points  
IPCC Focal Points  
CROP Organisations

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**SUBJECT:** 2<sup>nd</sup> IMPACT Project Workshop – Save the date.

Dear Colleagues,

SPREP will be organizing the Second IMPACT Project Implementation Workshop from 16 to 19 July 2018. I kindly invite you to mark these dates in your calendars.

As you may recall the First IMPACT Project Workshop was held in Apia, Samoa last year. For ease of reference the IMPACT Project brochure is attached.

This year's workshop is slightly different. It will be four days in length and have two distinct but closely connected components:

1. The first two days will focus on capacity in project development and implementation. Through sessions on climate science, climate finance and UNFCCC negotiations, we will discuss how to utilize this information to strengthen your project proposals and hence their implementation. We shall also update you on how IMPACT is supporting regional capacity and highlight some of the tools and resources being developed through the project.
2. The second two days will focus on the IPCC's special report on the impacts of global warming of 1.5°C which is the key input for the Talanoa dialogue. During this part of the workshop experts from the IMPACT team will highlight the key messages and aspects of most relevance to PICs. It will also provide an opportunity for coordinated regional input into the Special Report by the deadline for the Final Government Review (24 July 2018)

Given these two components, we are hoping to bring together experts from policy and science backgrounds. Our target audience therefore includes IPCC focal points, National Met Directors, and scientists, in addition to climate change policymakers and implementers. We hope that this mix will help with the exchange of ideas and improve the outcomes for participants.

Funding will be provided for 2 nominated experts from each Pacific island country only to participate in the workshop. Kindly use this information to begin identifying your nominees.

Further information on the venue and logistical details will be provided in the coming weeks. For the latest from the IMPACT project, including the Pacific regional page, please see <http://climateanalytics.org/projects/impact-climate-action.html>. For any immediate questions please contact Espen Ronneberg, Climate Change Adviser ([espenr@sprep.org](mailto:espenr@sprep.org)).

Once again please mark the dates of 16 to 19 July 2018 and we look forward to welcoming you in Samoa.

Kind regards,



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