



SPREP
Secretariat of the Pacific Regional
Environment Programme

SPREP AT THE UNITED NATIONS OCEAN CONFERENCE

OUR OCEANS, OUR FUTURE: PARTNERING FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOAL 14

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5–9 JUNE 2017, [UN HEADQUARTERS, NEW YORK](#)

More information on the SPREP and the Pacific at the UN Ocean Conference can be found [here](#). This will be updated over the duration of the conference.

SIDE EVENT LED BY SPREP

The Pacific Voyage – Our Ocean, Our People, Our Pacific

OCEAN POLLUTION • OCEAN CONSERVATION • OCEAN AND CLIMATE CHANGE

8 JUNE 2017, 3:00–4.30PM, CONFERENCE ROOM 12, UN HEADQUARTERS

Our Pacific periscope is focussed on Integrated Ocean Management so we all understand that what we do on land will have an impact on our reef and ocean. Our capacity to govern our ocean must be strong and well-resourced and our Pacific island countries are committed to this. We will tell our story as to how our island people are being affected by marine debris and pollution, ocean acidification and marine conservation. Our region is empowered, a beacon highlighting Pacific leadership in many areas as we showcase our genuine and durable partnerships of action to help us achieve SDG 14, in line with the SAMOA Pathway, actions that can be further enhanced with new support.

SIDE EVENTS FOR WHICH SPREP IS A PARTNER

5–9 JUNE 2017, 11:00AM–12:30PM, CONFERENCE ROOM 12, UN HEADQUARTERS

**THE BLUE PACIFIC – OUR SEA OF ISLANDS, OUR LIVELIHOODS, OUR OCEANIA:
ACHIEVING SDG14 THROUGH EFFECTIVE IMPLEMENTATION OF PACIFIC ISLANDS REGIONAL OCEAN POLICY**

Led by the Office of the Pacific Ocean Commissioner and the Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat

5 JUNE 2017, 1.15–2.30PM ROOM ECOSOC

IMPLEMENTING AGENDA 2030 – INITIATING GLOBAL ACTION ON GHOST GEAR

Led by the Permanent Mission of the Kingdom of Tonga to the United Nations

5 JUNE 2017, 3.00–4.30PM, ROOM 12

HEALERS OF OUR OCEAN: ASIA-PACIFIC WOMEN LEADING OCEAN ACTION TO ACHIEVE SDG14 – HOW CAN WE LEARN FROM THEM?

Led by WWF and Partners

6 JUNE 2017, 1.15–2.30PM, ROOM 7

**GOING TO SCALE IN THE OCEAN: FROM LARGE SCALE MPAS TO WHOLE DOMAIN MANAGEMENT:
RIDGE TO REEF TO OCEAN**

Led by the Cook Islands

6 JUNE 2017, 3.00–4.30PM, TRUSTEESHIP ROOM

OUR ISLANDS, OUR OCEANS, OUR FUTURE: PARTNERING FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF SDG 14

Led by the Palau Mission to the United Nations



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6 JUNE 2017, 6.15–7.30PM, ROOM 11

PARTNERSHIP IN PRACTICE – CATALYSING SHIPPING SECTOR TRANSFORMATION TOWARDS SDG 14

Led by the Government of Jamaica

6 JUNE 2017, 6.15–8.15PM, SPUTNIK LOUNGE, VISITORS LOBBY

SIU I MOANA – REACHING ACROSS THE OCEAN: PROTECTING OUR OCEAN FOR THE CONSERVATION OF CULTURE AND TRADITION OF COMMUNITIES

Co-hosted by the governments of Chile and Italy, Ocean Sanctuary Alliance, SPREP, and The Pew Charitable Trusts

7 JUNE 2017, 9.00–10.30AM, ROOM B

CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT SOLUTIONS FOR MANAGING, PROTECTING, CONSERVING AND RESTORING MARINE AND COASTAL ECOSYSTEMS

Led by the United States National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)

9 JUNE 2017, 1.15–2.30PM, ROOM B

IMPROVING MANAGEMENT AND SPECIES CONSERVATION IN OCEAN SPACES: THE ROLE OF MARINE PROTECTED AREAS

Led by the Permanent Mission of France to the United Nations

‘OUR PACIFIC ISLANDS, OUR OCEAN, OUR HOME’ PHOTO EXHIBITION

5–9 JUNE 2017, EXPRESS BAR – LEVEL 3 GENERAL ASSEMBLY HALL BUILDING (TBC)

A joint partnership between the Government of Fiji and the Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme (SPREP) featuring captured moments by photographer Mr Stuart Chape. The photo exhibition brings ‘Our Pacific islands, Our Ocean, Our Home’ to the heart of the United Nations, linking the very essence of SDG 14 and the intrinsic value of the Pacific Ocean to the Pacific way of life.

PACIFIC ACTIONS, PACIFIC OCEAN, PACIFIC PEOPLE SHOWCASED

5–9 JUNE 2017, 1B NECK AREA, FIRST BASEMENT AREA OF THE UN SECRETARIAT, BETWEEN VIENNA CAFÉ AND ELEVATORS

Our interactive Pacific booth will be showcasing our Pacific people, environment and region. We will be sharing information on Pacific Actions, showcasing films and sharing messages on social media, holding daily e-photo activities and quizzes as well as distributing Pacific sei’s (flowers) to promote Pacific island visibility at the UN Ocean Conference. Make time to pop in and see us!

SPREP AND PARTNERSHIP DIALOGUES

MONDAY, 5 JUNE 2017, 3.00–6.00PM

Mr Kosi Latu, Director General of SPREP will be featured as part of the panel for the Partnership Dialogue 1 on the theme ‘Addressing Marine Pollution’ in Conference Room 4. SPREP will also be represented in several other partnership dialogues, aiming to raise our voluntary commitments for our Pacific region, in our interventions.

SPREP AND VOLUNTARY COMMITMENTS

NOW IN THE OCEAN CONFERENCE REGISTRY OF VOLUNTARY COMMITMENTS

- Cleaner Seas for a Cleaner Pacific #15962
- Pacific Ocean Research Alliance #15810
- Pacific Partnership on Ocean Acidification #15798
- Protecting, conserving and restoring whale populations in the Pacific islands #16006

SPREP MEDIA PARTNERSHIPS

SPREP is working in partnership with **Ms Makereta Komai**, Senior Editor and Manager of PINA/PACNEWS Agency, and **Mr Samisoni Pareti**, Senior Editor of Islands Business International, to provide Pacific media coverage of issues and news at the UN Ocean Conference as independent members of the media.

SHARING OUR MESSAGES

Our news will be distributed regionally as well as shared on www.sprep.org and the SPREP Facebook page www.facebook.com/SPREP.PEIN/ and our Twitter Feed – [@SPREPChannel](https://twitter.com/SPREPChannel).

We will be sharing messages for our Ocean on our [Facebook page](#) and [Twitter](#) account using the hashtags: [#SaveOurOcean](#) [#4PaclIslands](#) [#MoanaVoices](#)

For further information please email sprep@sprep.org or visit our [Pacific Voyage at the UN](#) webpage.

