The Framework for Pacific Regionalism
Pacific Plan Review (2013)

• The original vision for had not occurred through the Pacific Plan
• Regional agencies determine regional agenda
• Discussions about what is key for the region not taking place at Leaders level
• Institutions, incentives and discussions not in place to pursue regionalism

Justification and appetite for regionalism strong

• Key Recommendation: overhaul regional processes and recast the Pacific Plan as the Framework for Pacific Regionalism
The Framework for Pacific Regionalism

Components:

Framework for Pacific Regionalism
- Vision
- Values
- Objectives

Forms of Regionalism
- Process for Priority Setting
- Process for Measuring Progress
- Annex: Tests for Regional Action

Emphases:

1. DEEPER REGIONALISM
2. PRIORITY SETTING
3. POLITICAL OVERSIGHT
4. INCLUSIVENESS
Regional Priority Setting Process

PIFS checks proposals against tests and submits to FOC specialist sub-committee

Regional actors have ongoing role in implementing and reporting

Some work leads to fully developed proposals for regional collective action that needs Leaders’ oversight

Stakeholder groups and consortia

Any stakeholder (civil society, private sector, officials, regional organizations etc.) can submit a proposal for regional initiative

Leaders

Leaders send for Leaders’ consideration

Ministers

Ministers make recommendations

Specialist Sub-Committee

Other agency governing councils

Partners

NSAs

CROP

Regional Priority Setting Process
VISION

Our Pacific Vision is for a region of peace, harmony, security, social inclusion, and prosperity, so that all Pacific people can lead free, healthy, and productive lives.
Values

1. We value and depend upon the integrity of our vast ocean and our island resources.
2. We treasure the diversity and heritage of the Pacific and seek an inclusive future in which cultures, traditions and religious beliefs are valued, honoured and developed.
3. We embrace good governance, the full observance of democratic values, the rule of law, the defence and promotion of all human rights, gender equality, and commitment to just societies.
4. We seek peaceful, safe, and stable communities and countries, ensuring full security and wellbeing for the peoples of the Pacific.
5. We support full inclusivity, equity and equality for all people of the Pacific.
6. We strive for effective, open and honest relationships and inclusive and enduring partnerships—based on mutual accountability and respect—with each other, within our sub-regions, within our region, and beyond.
PRINCIPAL OBJECTIVES

1. Sustainable development that combines economic social, and cultural development in ways that improve livelihoods and well-being and use the environment sustainably;

2. Economic growth that is inclusive and equitable;

3. Strengthened governance, legal, financial, and administrative systems;

4. Security that ensures stable and safe human, environmental and political conditions for all.
IMPLEMENTATION

• Public call for regional initiatives 27 April – 19 June
• At the close, 68 regional initiatives received
• Specialist sub-committee on regionalism to assess and select (no more than 10) priority initiatives to put to Leaders
• Pacific Islands Forum Leaders to discuss and select priority initiatives to form the basis of the forward regional agenda
• Detailed implementation arrangements to be determined post-Forum Leaders Meeting
REGIONAL INITIATIVES – OCEANS THEMED

1. **A Case for Aerial Maritime Surveillance in the Pacific** — Gerald E. M. Erbsleben

2. **Need To Establish a Regional Agreement for the Management and Monitoring Of Deep Sea Minerals Activities in the Forum Countries' Waters** — Parties to the Nauru Agreement

3. **Regional Cooperation and Enhancement in Maritime Surveillance and Enforcement to Combat Illegal Unreported and Unregulated Fishing in the Pacific** — Republic of Palau

4. **Central Pacific Commission - Regional Shipping Service Agreement** — Secretariat of the Pacific Community
REGIONAL INITIATIVES – OCEANS CONTINUED

4. **A New Song for Coastal fisheries - Pathways to Change** – Secretariat of the Pacific Community

5. **Empowering Pacific Island Countries and Territories for Sustainable Deep Seabed Minerals Management** – Secretariat of the Pacific Community

6. **Pacific Islands Maritime Control** – World Citizens Association of Australia

7. **Restructuring the Tuna Fisheries Industry in the Pacific Islands through Transfer of Rights** – Partners to the Nauru Agreement Office
CLIMATE CHANGE

1. **Rama Voyage - Vaka Marumaru Atua - Cook Islands | Vaka Faafaite - Tahiti | Vaka Gualofa Samoa | Vaka Uto Ni Yalo - Fiji | Vaka Haunui – Aotearoa** — Cook Islands Voyaging Society

2. **Climate Change Insurance** — Government of Kiribati

3. **Climate and Disaster Resilience Development in the Pacific** — Multi-agency - SPC, SPREP, UNISDR, UNDP, UNOCHA, PIFS, USP

4. **Proposing a Port Moresby Declaration for an effective global climate agreement** — Pacific Islands Climate Change Network

5. **A Critical Qualitative and Quantitative Study of the Impacts of Climate Change on SIDS** — Pacific Islands Rainforest Foundation
ENVIRONMENT THEMED

1. **Waste Plastic Remediation for the Pacific** — Ocean Ambassadors

2. **A Pacific Plan for Regional Biosecurity and Management of Invasive Alien Species and Diseases** — Pacific Invasives Partnership

3. **Pacific Rainforests Status and Biodiversity Audit** — Pacific Islands Rainforest Foundation
ECO-TOURISM

1. Ecotourism Program Development for Protected Areas — Pacific Islands Rainforest Foundation

2. Development of marine species-based ecotourism in the Pacific Islands — Michael Donoghue
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