

Thirty Second SPREP Meeting of Officials

2-4 September 2025
Sheraton Aggie Greys Hotel & Bungalows
Apia, Samoa

"Sustaining our Pacific Environment in Harmony with our Cultures"

Agenda item 9.3.4: Pacific accredited course on waste management

Purpose:

- 1. To inform Members of the:
 - a) Newly formed Pacific Recyclers Alliance.
- 2. Seek support and endorsement for:
 - a) the newly formed Pacific Recyclers Alliance.

Background:

- 3. The newly formed Pacific Recyclers Alliance includes membership of the six existing National Recyclers Associations to harmonise waste management and pollution control activities across the Pacific. The Pacific Recycler Alliance was launched at the 4th Cleaner Pacific Roundtable held in Tuvalu. The six National Recyclers Associations that were united to form the Pacific Recycler Alliance are listed below:
 - a) Fiji: Pacific Recycling Foundation;
 - b) Papua New Guinea: PNG Waste Management and Recyclers Association;
 - c) Samoa: Samoa Recycling and Waste Management Association;
 - d) Solomon Islands: Solomon Islands Recycling and Waste Management Association;
 - e) Tonga: Tonga Recycling Association; and
 - f) Vanuatu: Vanuatu Recyclers and Waste Management Association.
- 4. The Pacific Recyclers Alliance is committed to continuing its advocacy and support for the Collection of Pillars of Recycling (CPR) and grassroots recycling organisations throughout the Pacific. The Pacific Recyclers Alliance encouraged the Pacific Island Countries and Territories to establish National Recyclers Associations and expand the membership and representation within the Pacific Recyclers Alliance.
- 5. The Pacific Recyclers Alliance will support and contribute to the overall success of the Regional Recycling Network (RRN) for the Pacific. ADB will provide support to work on the Regional Recycling Network (RRN).

Recommendation:

- 6. The Meeting is invited to:
 - 1) Encourage members to support the newly formed Pacific Recyclers Alliance;
 - 2) **Encourage** members to support the expansion of membership and representation in the Pacific Recyclers Alliance by developing National Recycler Associations for countries that do not have recycler associations established.

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