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SUBJECT: **Accepting Nominations for the 2nd Pacific Islands Environment Leadership Awards 2020**

TO: SPREP National Focal Points
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SPREP Partner Organisations
PIRT Members

Dear Focal Points,

It gives me great pleasure to announce that nominations are now being accepted for the 2nd Pacific Islands Environment Leadership Awards (PIELA). The PIELA commemorates and promotes the outstanding contributions of individuals, communities, non-governmental organisations, private enterprises and countries towards achieving an environmentally sustainable Pacific in the following key thematic areas:

- Biodiversity and ecosystem protection
- Environmental governance
- Climate change adaptation and resilience
- Waste management and pollution control

I encourage all SPREP members and partners to engage in the PIELA nomination process as this provides an opportunity to recognize and celebrate environmental successes in the Pacific.

A PIELA Nomination Form and Information Note is attached with this circular for your perusal. All nominations must be completed and sent to SPREP before the **30th November 2019**. Additional information and details on the PIELA categories and eligibility are available on the website <https://www.pacificnatureconference.com/pacific-islands-environment-leadership-awards>.

The inaugural PIELA presentation will be made at the 10th Pacific Islands Conference on Nature Conservation and Protected Areas to be held in Noumea, New Caledonia from the 20 – 24 April, 2020.

For more information on the PIELA or the 10th Pacific Nature Conference, please contact SPREP via email at pacificconference2020@sprep.org.

Yours sincerely,



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