






**SUB-REGIONAL CAPACITY BUILDING WORKSHOP ON ACCESS AND BENEFIT SHARING (ABS)
CAPACITY BUILDING ON THE USE OF ABS CLEARING HOUSE, MONITORING & REPORTING ON
THE UTILISATION OF GENETIC RESOURCES UNDER THE NAGOYA PROTOCOL.**

**ACCESS AND BENEFIT SHARING UNDER NAGOYA PROTOCOL
Nadi Fiji, 7-10 October 2019**

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1. **OPENING AND REGISTRATION**

The Sub-regional (Polynesia & Melanesia) Capacity Building training on Access and Benefit Sharing under the Nagoya Protocol **“CAPACITY BUILDING ON THE USE OF ABS CLEARING HOUSE, MONITORING & REPORTING ON THE UTILISATION OF GENETIC RESOURCES UNDER THE NAGOYA PROTOCOL”** will be held in Nadi, Fiji from 7-10 October 2019.

2. **VENUE**

The workshop will be held at:

Tanoa International Hotel Nadi

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EMAIL: international@tanoahotels.com

ADDRESS: Votualevu Namaka, Nadi, Fiji

Web site: www.tanoahotels.com



3. **WORKING LANGUAGE OF THE WORKSHOP**

The workshop will be held in English.

4. **MEETING DOCUMENTS**



Participants will be provided relevant documentations during the time of registration. There will be a resource centre to make extra copies of any workshop documents at the site of workshop, however it is kindly advised to minimise the use of paper as much as possible. All meeting documents and PowerPoint presentations will be posted on the SPREP ABS Page on the following link: www.sprep.org/abs . More information on this will be made daily during the workshop.

5. **GENERAL INFORMATION ON ACCESS TO NADI, FIJI**

The town of Nadi is serviced by the Nadi International Airport in Nadi, Fiji (about 8 km from Nadi Town). It is located on the West of Viti Levu and the capital Suva is located to the East. Taxis are available at the airport for approximately F\$12.00 (cash is required) for a one-way transfer to Tanoa International Hotel from the airport.

6. **VISA INFORMATION**



Participants from countries listed below do not require an entry visa for Fiji. All others are strongly advised to contact the nearest Fijian diplomatic or consular mission **as soon as possible** in order to secure the required entry visa in a timely manner, prior to departure.

Citizens of the following countries can obtain a visa upon arrival for Fiji for a stay of up to 4 months:

Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Australia, Austria, Bahamas, Bangladesh, Barbados, Belgium, Belize, Bermuda, Botswana, Brazil, Brunei Darussalam, Bulgaria, Cameroon, Canada, Chile, China, Colombia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Dominica, Estonia, Finland, France, The Gambia, Germany, Ghana, Greece, Grenada, Guyana, Holy See, Hungary, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Kenya, Kiribati, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lesotho, Luxembourg, Malawi, Malaysia, Maldives, Malta, Marshall Islands, Mauritius, Mexico, Micronesia (Federated States of), Moldova, Monaco, Nauru, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nigeria, Norway, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Romania, Russian Federation, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Samoa, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, Singapore, Slovak Republic, Slovenia, Solomon Islands, South Africa, Spain, Swaziland, Sweden, Switzerland, Tanzania (United Republic of), Thailand, Tonga, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Turkey, Tuvalu, Uganda, Ukraine, United Kingdom Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America, Uruguay, Vanuatu, Venezuela, Zambia, Zimbabwe.

Information on visa procedures is available on the web site of Tourism Fiji which provides a listing of visa countries at: <http://www.fiji.travel/information/getting-fiji/passports-and-visas>. A list of relevant Fijian diplomatic/consular missions abroad and countries with visa exemption arrangements can be found on the web site of the Fijian Government at the following link: <http://www.fiji.gov.fj/Government-Directory/Fiji-Overseas-Missions.aspx>.

To facilitate the issuance of visas, the Secretariat will issue upon request invitation letters to be attached to the visa applications.

7. TRAVEL LOGISTICS

Funded participants will receive fully funded round trip economical tickets purchased by SPREP. Once the nomination form is received, SPREP will contact the participants directly to liaise on their travel itinerary. **ALL** participants are to confirm travel itinerary within 2 days of having received the itinerary to secure their travel. Participants are responsible for arranging and funding for adequate insurance cover for their travel (e.g. travel insurance, medical insurance etc.) as well as any costs related to amendments done on the travel itineraries undertaken by the participants without SPREP's knowledge or approval. This includes missing the flight, extending stays or purchasing any upgrades.

8. HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

A yellow fever vaccination certificate is required from travellers entering Fiji from countries with risk of yellow fever transmission and from travellers having transited more than 12 hours in an airport of a country with risk of yellow fever transmission.

Information on requirements can be found on the web site of the Centre for Disease control at the following link. <http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/destinations/traveler/none/fiji>

For more information, please consult a medical professional about the vaccination requirements for your travel.

9. HOTEL INFORMATION



Participants are to arrange their own accommodation in the nearby areas if they wish to. A list of hotels with approximate daily room rates is attached at the end of this document. **ALL** accommodations are to be booked by participants directly and the organisers take no responsibility on the passenger pick up or drop offs from the hotel to the airport.

10. PAYMENT OF THE DAILY SUBSISTENCE ALLOWANCES (DSA)

Sponsored participants will receive the relevant DSA daily during the workshop. A SPREP official will distribute DSA's during dedicated times of the meeting and participants are encouraged to take note of the time for collection of their DSA's. Further information on the collection of DSA will be made available on the first day of the workshop.

11. OFFICIAL LANGUAGES IN FIJI



The official language in Fiji is English, however, Bau Fijian, and Hindustani are widely spoken.

12. WEATHER AND TIME ZONE INFORMATION

In November temperatures in Nadi usually range between a maximum of 30°C in the daytime and a minimum of 18°C at night. Current weather conditions can be found at: <http://worldweather.wmo.int/en/city.html?cityId=94>.

The standard time zone will be GMT/UTC + 12 hours.

13. ELECTRICITY

The electrical currents are 240 volts, 50 Hertz and the plug type and is shown below.



14. CURRENCY



The currency in Fiji is the Fijian Dollar (FJD \$) (F\$). The current exchange rate as at 13 June 2018 is US \$1.00 = FJD \$2.07.

15. CONTACT DETAILS FOR ALL LOGISTICS

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16. DISCLAIMER

The Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme disclaims all responsibility for medical, accident and travel insurance, for compensation for death or disability compensation, for loss of or damage to personal property and for any other loss that may be incurred during travel time or the period of participation. In this context, it is strongly recommended to secure international medical insurance for the period of participation prior to departure.

ACCOMODATION - LIST OF APPROVED HOTELS WITH APPROXIMATE ROOM RATES*

Name of the Hotel	Location from the Meeting Venue	Room type	Daily Rates (approximately) (USD)	Contact
Novotel Hotel	1 km 3 mins.	Superior Queen Room (1 single and 1 double bed)	82	Phone: +679 672 2000 Email: reservations@novotelnadi.com.fj https://www.accorhotels.com/gb/hotel-6287-novotel-nadi/index.shtml
		Standard Double (1 double bed and 1 large double bed)	89	
Nadi Airport Apartment Hotel	3.3 km 6 mins.	2 bedroom deluxe	87	Phone: +679 912 3888 Check booking.com for email / website
Tanoa Skyldodge Hotel	4.2 km 9 mins	Standard Double Room (1 double bed)	68	Phone: +679 672 2200 Email: skyldodge@tanoahotels.com https://www.tanoaskyldodge.com/
		Superior Twin (2 double beds)	82	
Hexagon Hotel	4.7 km 10 mins		59	Phone: 679 9921819 Email: reservations@hexagonfiji.com http://www.hexagonfiji.com/hexagon_international.htm
Ratson Nadi Airport Apartment	1.5 km 3 mins	Studio Apartment (1 large double bed)	74	Phone: +679 6727435 Email: reservations@ratsunhotels.com https://www.ratsunhotels.com/
Tokatoka Resort	2.7 km 5 mins	Studio (1 single & 1 double bed)	93	Phone: +679 672 0222 Email: res.tokatoka@warwickhotels.com https://www.warwickhotels.com/tokatoka-resort/
Fiji Gateway Hotel	2.4 km 5 mins	Budget Double Room (1 double bed)	71	Phone: +679 6734755 Email: reserve@fijigateway.com https://www.fijigateway.com/
Mercure Fiji	4.6 km		70	

* Room rates are provided from the internet. It is not a guaranteed price as it is NOT a pre-negotiated price. Choice of any hotels is at the participants personal discretion and payment of room costs is the responsibility of the participant. The organisers take no responsibility on any changes or differences in the rates. Participants are encouraged to contact the hotel and confirm the rates before booking as the actual cost may be higher or even lower than the rates stated here.

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Capricorn International Hotel	5 km 10 mins	Superior Double (1 single and 1 double bed)	59	Phone: +679 6720088 Email: capricorn@connect.com.fj http://www.capricornfiji.com/nadi/Contact.html