

## Environment Ministers' High-Level Talanoa

### PROVISIONAL AGENDA

#### **Agenda Item 16: Environment Ministers' High-Level Talanoa: 'A Resilient Blue Pacific'**

##### **16.1 - Panel 1: Climate Change**

##### **16.2 - Panel 2: Oceans**

##### **16.3 - Panel 3: Marine Pollution and Seabed Mining**

*Each panel will be moderated by a Minister. The Samoa Deputy Prime Minister as Chair of the Environment Ministers' High Level Talanoa will make introductory remarks and moderate Panel 1 on Climate Change. At the conclusion of the Ministerial Talanoa the Samoa Deputy Prime Minister as Chair will provide the overall summary of the three panels.*

**Master of Ceremony:** Kosi Latu, Director General of SPREP

- Welcome
- Opening with a short prayer
- Introductory remarks
- Introduction of the Chair the Hon. Deputy Prime Minister of Samoa.

#### **Panel 1: Climate Change (9:00am to 10:40am)**

- 1. Formal introductions and Keynote Address: Honourable Deputy Prime Minister of Samoa**  
- Chair and Moderator of Panel 1: Climate Change.

*At conclusion of Keynote Address the Honourable Deputy Prime Minister of Samoa (Chair) will introduce the Guest speaker.*

**Guest speaker: Ambassador Thomson, UN Secretary-General's Special Envoy for the Ocean.** Setting the scene and discussing the 2020 UN Oceans Conference reporting on ocean action and commitments.

*Honourable Deputy Prime Minister of Samoa (Chair) to moderate session*

- 2. High-Level Representative of Nauru:** The case for the Special Representative of the UN Secretary-General on Climate and Security
- 3. High-Level Representative of Tuvalu:** Implications of the 1.5 degrees report.
- 4. Honourable Minister of Marshall Islands:** Increasing emissions ambition through NDCs
- 5. High-Level Representative of Fiji:** COP25 expectations and outcomes
- 6. Honourable Minister of New Zealand:** A Just Transition to low emissions climate resilient futures?

*Each panellist to speak for 10 minutes, followed by a brief period of discussion and responses.*

- 7. High-Level Representative of France:** To lead the response on the Panel 1 discussions
- 8. Honourable Minister of Niue:** To provide a response

**Session Break (10:40am to 10:55am)** Morning tea

**Panel 2: Oceans (10:55am to 12:15pm)**

1. **Honourable Minister of Australia** - Moderator of Panel 2: Oceans
2. **High-Level Representative of Vanuatu**: Need for a coherent regional and national action to address single use plastics
3. **Honourable Minister of Cook Islands**: Maraë Moana
4. **Honourable Minister of Palau**: Building resilience of marine ecosystems as part of effective climate action
5. **Honourable Minister of French Polynesia**: Management of marine resources

*Each panellist to speak for 10 minutes, followed by a brief period of discussion and responses.*

6. **High-Level Representative of the United Kingdom**: To lead the response to Panel 2 discussions
7. **Honourable Minister of New Caledonia**: To provide a response
8. **Honourable Minister of Tokelau**: To provide a response
9. **Honourable Minister of Kiribati**: To provide a response
10. **High-Level Representative of the United States**: To provide a response

**Session Break (12:15pm to 1:15pm)** Official photograph followed by Ministerial and High-Level Representative lunch

**Panel 3: Marine Pollution and Seabed Mining (1:15pm to 2:45pm)**

1. **Honourable Minister of Solomon Islands** - Moderator of Panel 3: Marine Pollution and Seabed Mining

**Guest speaker**: Mr. Paul Adams, Director of Major Projects Foundation. To provide an overview of the impact of World War II polluting wrecks in the Pacific.

2. **Honourable Minister of Tonga**: Marine Pollution
3. **Honourable Minister of Papua New Guinea**: Seabed Mining
4. **High-Level Representative of Federated States of Micronesia**: World War II wrecks and their impact on the environment

*Each panellist to speak for 10 minutes, followed by a brief period of discussion and responses.*

5. **High-Level Representative of Wallis and Futuna**: To lead on the response to Panel 3 discussions
6. **High-Level Representative of Guam**: To provide a response
7. **High-Level Representative of American Samoa**: To provide a response

**Environment Ministers' High Level Talanoa Summary**: Honourable Deputy Prime Minister of Samoa (Chair)

**Agenda Item 17: Adoption of the Environment Ministers' High Level Talanoa Communiqué**

**Agenda Item 18: Adoption of the 29<sup>th</sup> SPREP Meeting Outcomes**

**Agenda Item 19: Close**