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Climate Change Focal Points

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SUBJECT: IMPACT COP25 Pacific Preparatory Meeting, 5 – 8 November 2019, Pacific Climate Change Centre, SPREP, Apia, Samoa

Dear Focal Points,

The Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme (SPREP) in partnership with Climate Analytics and the One CROP Plus team will be convening the Pacific COP25 Preparatory Meeting under the IMPACT project from 5 - 8 of November 2019 at the Pacific Climate Change Centre at SPREP in Apia, Samoa.

The objectives of the meeting are to:

- Provide negotiators and Ministers with a forum to prepare for COP25 to be held in Santiago, Chile from 2-13 December 2019, in light of outcomes at COP24 last December and the UNFCCC Subsidiary Bodies 50th session held in June this year, the UN Climate Action Summit in September, and the findings in the Special Reports on "Climate Change and Land" and "The Ocean and Cryosphere in a Changing Climate";
- Provide the Ministers with a briefing on the state of the negotiations and the proposed Pacific SIDS positions on those agenda items that are important for the region for their discussion and consideration; and
- Prepare Ministers to engage effectively in the high-level events at the COP.

Strong engagement by Pacific SIDS will be critical at this year's COP25 in Santiago, Chile, given that COP24 in Katowice, Poland in 2018 did not see the full finalization of the Paris Agreement Work Programme or the full consideration of the IPCC Special Report on 1.5 degrees. A number of issues are still outstanding after the 50th Subsidiary Bodies (SBI and SBSTA) sessions in Bonn this year.

It will therefore be valuable to have 1 Minister and 2 negotiators planning to attend COP25 to participate in the IMPACT preparatory meeting. Please be advised 2 participants will be funded by the Climate Analytic through the IMPACT Project and 1 delegate through GIZ support to the Regional Pacific NDC Hub.

All participants are required to register online through this link: https://www.pacificmet.net/pre-cop25/registration before close of business on 27th of September 2019.

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