



Le Président

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Subject: Invitation: 10th Pacific Islands Conference on Nature Conservation and Protected Areas, High-Level Segment, 26 November 2020

Dear Honourable Ministers of Environment and colleagues,

The Government of New Caledonia in partnership with the Pacific Islands Roundtable for Nature Conservation (PIRT) and Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme (SPREP) will be virtually hosting the 10th Pacific Islands Conference on Nature Conservation and Protected Areas, 24 – 27 November 2020.

The High-level Segment, which is organised and chaired by the Government of New Caledonia as the conference host, will be held on 26 November 2020. This important meeting will only be attended by government Ministers, partnered countries and Heads of Organisations of the PIRT members.

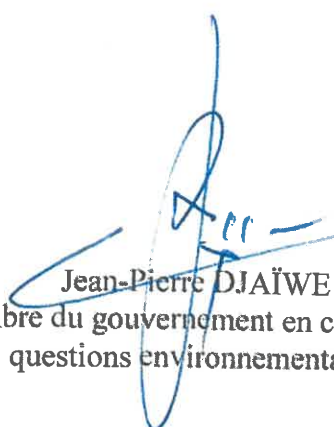
The main deliverables of the High-level Segment will include the adoption of the "**Vemööre Declaration**", which underlines the urgent need to continue our efforts to protect biodiversity in the Pacific, and to strengthen our public policies and civil society actions to this end.

The priorities set out in the "**Vemööre Declaration**" can be taken up and endorsed at the forthcoming Our Ocean Conference, the 15th meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD COP15), and the IUCN World Conservation Congress.

On behalf of all the partners and organisers, New Caledonia has the honour of inviting you to join us virtually by confirming your presence and send us your email address at pacificnatureconference2020@sprep.org, so we may provide you with the login details and password to participate to the High-level Segment.

We look forward to having you join us virtually.


Yours sincerely,


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