

Moana Blue Pacific

PAVILION @COP28

SCHEDULE OVERVIEW

Scheduled Day	Time (Dubai)	Title of Side Event	Link to Virtual Participation Registration
30/11/2023	10.00 - 10.50am	HL SIDE EVENT: Restoring Island Resilience, Scaling Up the Management of Invasive Species to Increase Climate Resilience at a Large Landscape Scale in Niue and Tonga (Niue and Tonga)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87540472102?pwd=WUJ3Wm9TN0xITjJPYXY5L1ZYbmlZUT09
30/11/2023	11.00 - 11.50am	SIDE EVENT: Traditional Knowledge and Climate Resilience (Tokelau)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82992147311?pwd=VDRYa09GYmlUbEFUM3RQYTdyNGFmUT09
30/11/2023	12.00-12.50pm	SIDE EVENT: Digital Earth Pacific - Building resilient Pacific through systematic satellite observation (Pacific Community)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83293240203?pwd=VTczY0lqU2VqTGxCOORFOFZqVnJhQT09
30/11/2023	1.00 - 2.50pm	INTERACTIVE SESSION: Loss and damage in reality: the existential threat of climate change on low lying islands of Tuvalu and the Republic of the Marshall Islands and the criticality of good data to inform adaptation options (Pacific Community)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87062551947?pwd=amZYM1lCb3ZjSW13ZWJlYk1RRkNWUT09
30/11/2023	3.00 - 3.50pm	SIDE EVENT: State of the Climate in the South-West Pacific 2022 (WMO)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82501869536?pwd=NCTxMkwzcnhnsL0JVK3dPWkNUQWp4dz09
30/11/2023	6.00 - 8.00pm	HL OPENING: Official opening of the Moana Blue Pacific Pavilion and Launch of Mana Moana Pasifika Voices (Australia, Aotearoa New Zealand, SPREP)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87499349402?pwd=MEdkazg0bVBCcXJ3Vm4rRExoSThNUT09
1/12/2023	11.00 - 11.50am	SIDE EVENT: Pacific Island's Climate Ambitions to Protect Our People and Our Homes (Greenpeace)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84121204397?pwd=aWRpYUIUOFF3Rk1JQ3IzWTRKS1hEUT09
1/12/2023	12.00 - 12.50pm	SIDE EVENT: Documenting and applying Traditional Knowledge to enhance community resilience. A traditional Knowledge Database (SPREP)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89290103492?pwd=MXJObzhLZE9IMUUrckVja0R3cXQrQT09
1/12/2023	1.00-1.50pm	HL SIDE EVENT: Strengthening National Coordination Mechanisms for Effective Climate Finance Delivery in the Pacific SIDS (Solomon Islands)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83295198654?pwd=NHBPbU13Y0JZbU50aytSZkhhN0taQT09
1/12/2023	2.00 - 2.50pm	SIDE EVENT: What Next For the Pacific Regional Framework on Climate Mobility (Fiji and Tuvalu)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89207494689?pwd=dkVQV1lQRWFyUlJpdTJnb0E4bVhKUT09
1/12/2023	3.00 - 3.50pm	SIDE EVENT: Pacific Climate Financing and the Green Climate Fund (Tonga)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85346988663?pwd=MC8vOWlZS3VWUFdtVWdweWRCV1FHQT09

1/12/2023	4.00pm - 4.50pm	SIDE EVENT: The Climate Crisis is a Child Rights Crisis: Climate Justice and Children's Rights (UNICEF)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83558934711?pwd=dFg4RXFqU2RaT0M3bytVL3pZM3RTZz09
2/12/2023	10.00 - 10.50am	SIDE EVENT: Amplifying Climate Actions: Capacity Building through Innovative Tools, Partnerships, and South-South Cooperation (SPREP)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81362256167?pwd=TzJ1NEtUempVWjBmbm1pUzVMQk9Vdz09
2/12/2023	11.00 - 11.50am	SIDE EVENT: Kiribati Youth Event (Kiribati)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84214891698?pwd=VnZJNkVU1BpVytaZ25ZdkdCYll4dz09
2/12/2023	12.00 - 12.50pm	SIDE EVENT: Hinemoana Halo Ocean Initiative: Indigenous Blue Carbon Partnerships and Climate Leadership (Hinemoana Halo Ocean Fund (H2O Fund) and Conservation International Aotearoa)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89975885670?pwd=c1I5SnhKL1VJKzd0OGRYVU9aOTYrZz09
2/12/2023	1.00 - 1.50pm	SIDE EVENT: The Role of Data and Traditional Knowledge in Building Climate Resilience in the Pacific (SPREP)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84759201296?pwd=ODRGT0pXb3JHQXEwRGh3THovNXBIZz09
2/12/2023	2.00 - 2.50pm	HL SIDE EVENT: Climate Finance and Debt Reduction (Cook Islands)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85831178873?pwd=NTNnd0FHTFh2QnVDQnJOQTJyVFprZz09
2/12/2023	4.00 - 4.50pm	HL SIDE EVENT: Building Resilience in the Pacific: How the Pacific Climate Change Centre is addressing Climate Change through its key services (SPREP)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82624570456?pwd=dWhLOENOTU9WcStxN29ScHBxUEhwZz09
3/12/2023	10.00 - 10.50am	SIDE EVENT: Pathways to Island Climate Resilience: Local Solutions in Global Frameworks #ShareYourStory #PeopleAndNaturePositivePacific (WWF)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89958815699?pwd=RIRqUVZqMHGxSmlKMkVBA3NSNUFIZz09
3/12/2023	11.00 - 11.50am	HL SIDE EVENT: Addressing Loss and Damage: Leadership and lessons from the Pacific (Aotearoa New Zealand & Vanuatu)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87243473748?pwd=QWZwa3h1RExKNWJ0Z0cyYm5oc0tsdz09
3/12/2023	12.00 - 12.50pm	SIDE EVENT: Financing ocean-based climate mitigation, adaptation, and resilience (PIDF)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88964326750?pwd=TDFId2V6V2NOVUxRmlhuNTZkelFPUT09
3/12/2023	1.00-1.50pm	SIDE EVENT: Catalysing investment in the Pacific blue economy (PIDF)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81068762588?pwd=R1p6a0hYcm5Nc2hZdXQ3S0JhRmxZZz09
3/12/2023	2.00-2.50pm	SIDE EVENT: Catalysing Private Sector Investment through Climate Resilient Partnerships (SPREP)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84850893713?pwd=WHVmdWNJT0Zrc3RZNEhQYm0rOWE4UT09
3/12/2023	3.00 - 3.50pm	SIDE EVENT: Responding to the Global Stocktake: Mobilizing Finance at Speed and Scale (CFAN)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88556927792?pwd=S3p2QW1xSFp5NkNWWHI3a2Jndm4wUT09
3/12/2023	4.00-4.50pm	SIDE EVENT: Lessons Learned from Implementing Climate Risk Insurance Solutions in the Pacific (UNCDF)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86862174761?pwd=c2ozOVhEa1MxcUUWys94cnhOWW1pdz09

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4/12/2023	9.00 - 9.50am	SIDE EVENT: Connecting climate mitigation to depolluting oceans through concrete solutions in the Pacific Islands (Secretariat of the Basel, Rotterdam Conventions)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85915514184?pwd=SmlHbGU5WlVaQkd0QjBhR2hmSzNBZz09
4/12/2023	10.00 - 10.50am	SIDE EVENT: Plastic Free Pacific (SPREP)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82669210448?pwd=THRjSHFZaU1walhnZkQvWnQzUUFpZz09
4/12/2023	11.00 - 11.50am	SIDE EVENT: International Court of Justice Advisory Opinion on Climate Change (Vanuatu)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87518640263?pwd=NHdPREFLeVRuVjBRNWh6Mmc5dXIKQT09
4/12/2023	12.00 - 12.50pm	SIDE EVENT: Developing Fiji's Comprehensive Risk and Vulnerability Assessment Methodology (Fiji)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81390786795?pwd=M0pCWU9leE1WYWRHMmllUXdRU2NCdz09
4/12/2023	1.00 - 1.50pm	SIDE EVENT: The work of the Adaptation Fund in Pacific SIDs (Adaptation Fund)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87092056243?pwd=SmxKYlhCNkk5NU1DekN2NFZGa2lEQT09
4/12/2023	3.00 - 3.50pm	SIDE EVENT: Leading on Ocean Acidification Monitoring, Policy and Finance in the Pacific to Implement SDG 14.3 (PI Ocean Acidification Centre)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81383585057?pwd=aTJUWXPka29wSXh5YnRUOEMzVWxGZz09
4/12/2023	4.00 - 4.50pm	SIDE EVENT: Paving the Way for the Risk Pools Against Climate Disaster Risks (PCRIC)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87986196532?pwd=NG8vTtQ3Mzh3YTVVNUxhVHVvK1ZXdz09
4/12/2023	5.00 - 5.50pm	SIDE EVENT: Geospatial Solutions for Climate Challenges: A Focus on Loss, Damage, and Adaptation (SPREP)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85066835823?pwd=MXBsV1pZd1ErNUo1VFhqZEphM1dudz09
4/12/2023	6.00 - 8.00pm	HL SIDE EVENT: Treaty Talanoa: Pacific Governments and Civil Society championing the global call for a Fossil Fuel Non-Proliferation Treaty (Vanuatu)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88495211583?pwd=RVp1cmldWTFwMGxFS1ArRk9JTjVjQT09
5/12/2023	9.00 - 9.50am	SIDE EVENT: Ensuring Ecosystem Integrity to Sustain Deep Ocean Benefits and Values (Deep Sea Conservation Coalition)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88093704759?pwd=ZklsSkFBQmN4WWcxTET3bW03d2RkQT09
5/12/2023	11.00 - 11.50am	HL SIDE EVENT: Fiji's advances, innovations and leadership on action on climate change (Fiji)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84605328376?pwd=N3RVaWJUeUkp2S1g2N2ErdTRkdnpDQT09
5/12/2023	12.00-12.50pm	SIDE EVENT: Vanuatu Roads Design Guide increasing climate resilience across Vanuatu (Vanuatu)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84423607469?pwd=azAxOWhWQzZXtMjCVjhOQVpRd21DUT09
5/12/2023	1.00 - 1.50pm	SIDE EVENT: Building Climate Resilience through Traditional Knowledge in Vanuatu (Vanuatu)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89807586332?pwd=Ujh5alQ4VWw1KN2dqN1NNbGFYUzRPUT09
5/12/2023	2.00 - 2.50pm	HL SIDE EVENT: Launching of the Marshall Islands National Adaptation Plan (Republic of Marshall Islands)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85174782709?pwd=R1VpTHZZUWxvd0RtUFVhZW95eEZyUT09

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5/12/2023	3.00 - 3.50pm	HL SIDE EVENT: Loss and Damage-Sharing the lived experience of Pacific Islanders (SPREP)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84262383888?pwd=RW13K1pW5nJvTEQ2bjdUVW5CeHc5QT09
5/12/2023	4.00 - 4.50pm	SIDE EVENT: Leveraging adaptation finance for Atoll Nations- Gaps, Needs, Solutions. An event of the Coalition of Atoll Nations on Climate Change (CANCC)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87197889666?pwd=TVQ1bVA4Y0p6VGd0TIM1eUh5UEV4Zz09
5/12/2023	5.00-5.50pm	HL SIDE EVENT: Empowering Kiribati visions and plans on climate resilient and sustainable water and sanitation infrastructure and services (Kiribati)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87536659996?pwd=QXkxSnk5K1IFNjY5TEc0TIJjWHZQZz09
6/12/2023	9.00-9.50am	SIDE EVENT: A Nexus Approach to Finance, Biodiversity and Climate (UNESCAP)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83669165765?pwd=eUpPU25NT3hYWkhSXPORnJKd292QT09
6/12/2023	10.00-10.50am	SIDE EVENT: – Samoa Youth Side event (Samoa)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84678298689?pwd=aTdDRncvb0dPdW9pMEwxS0dQUWJ4dz09
6/12/2023	11.00-11.50am	SIDE EVENT: Learnings from Adaptation Activities in the Pacific Islands (Adaptation Fund)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81166303350?pwd=OTBHOWxoTFkvd1J3UGxnVWJ0MG0yZz09
6/12/2023	12.00 - 12.50pm	SIDE EVENT: Port Vila Call to Action for a Just Transition to a Fossil Fuel Free Pacific (Vanuatu)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87581483316?pwd=TVJ3VEM2RmFrZFA1OSt3OUdnOGgyQT09
6/12/2023	1.00 - 1.50pm	SIDE EVENT: Loss and Damage Financing in the Pacific Region (PIF)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84261587914?pwd=T3h0MllLaWlueTNzZTR4Vm1PYUdudz09
6/12/2023	2.00 - 2.50pm	SIDE EVENT: Building a resilient Vanuatu “Supporting the Implementation of Vanuatu's Enhanced NDC” (Vanuatu)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81057131179?pwd=NHhrZ1pEZWdBV3VxZzV2QjREN2VIZz09
6/12/2023	3.00 - 3.50pm	SIDE EVENT: Harnessing Climate Services Information for Fisheries, Tourism and Water Sectors in Vanuatu (Vanuatu)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84809302264?pwd=d3BwbTVqTi9kMkc2MFJHN2I1M0lvUT09
6/12/2023	4.00 - 4.50pm	SIDE EVENT: The treaty to End Plastic Pollution and its links to the Global Climate Targets (SPREP)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83271522588?pwd=Y003VzNCL0wxOEEx3dHdRbW14amhVUT09
6/12/2023	5.00 - 5.50pm	SIDE EVENT: Empowering Youth for wetland conservation to address climate change in the Pacific (SPREP)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85082641400?pwd=K1NqU1J5U0Frelk2RDVPaWk2QmkzUT09
7/12/2023	ALL DAY	COP28 THEME: REST DAY - PAVILION IS CLOSED FOR OFFICIAL REST DAY	
8/12/2023	9.00-9.50am	SIDE EVENT: Harnessing Climate Information Services: The Success Story of OSCAR system and Agromet Bulletins (Vanuatu)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86706179159?pwd=MkY1VGg4YUdQK1cvc0JreVc5TXVLQT09
8/12/2023	10.00 - 10.50am	HL SIDE EVENT: National Feasibility Assessment of Samoa's Blue and Green Carbon Stocks (Samoa)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88589796724?pwd=Y2FFMzg0Ni9xRFJsMmxGSDJuaGtmZz09

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8/12/2023	11.00 - 11.50am	SIDE EVENT: Samoa's Third National Communication Report and Presentation of the first Biennial Update Report (Samoa)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82764026942?pwd=Q21lRVZEZEJvWUovMEJONXhybVVLQT09
8/12/2023	12.00 - 12.50pm	SIDE EVENT: The role of Public Development Banks (PDBs) in facilitating enhanced access to climate finance (Fiji)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82250423431?pwd=Wms3WWZRZlIEbkdlUXpxZ2daM1JkZz09
8/12/2023	1.00 - 1.50pm	SIDE EVENT: Innovative approaches for leveraging Climate Finance (SPREP)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81054309367?pwd=b2lzcm14WlFGanFuUE9udXlDb3hFQT09
8/12/2023	2.00 - 2.50pm	SIDE EVENT: Promoting self-determination for National Adaptation Plans: Leading the way in Marshall Islands (Republic of Marshall Islands and IOM)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82129827631?pwd=bENHNm1QczhEbHozREZ3SE4vak5uZz09
8/12/2023	3.00 - 3.50pm	SIDE EVENT: Enhancing Intactness : A New Approach to Adaptation (Solomon Islands)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81950140948?pwd=WUo5d254bHlaU2thYTI6WHN6R2V3QT09
8/12/2023	4.00 - 4.50pm	SIDE EVENT: Intra-ACP ClimSA Event (OACPS)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85462708459?pwd=K1RJMINYQ3VZdVVR5U2dobFdkbTFCUT09
8/12/2023	5.30 - 7.00pm	HL SIDE EVENT: Climate and Development Ministerial Coalition of Ambition on Adaptation Finance Launch Event (Vanuatu)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84919256213?pwd=OTVjTFFzM09zNmKzOWZCSE5NNkJCdz09
9/12/2023	10.00 - 10.50am	HL SIDE EVENT: Access to Climate Finance : Demand and Supply Side Challenges for PSIDS (SPREP)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81036860819?pwd=SVNPUkFURGI5NlFGcGQ4VDFMQnE1dz09
9/12/2023	12.00 - 12.50pm	SIDE EVENT: Niue and Ocean Wide (NOW) Trust and Ocean Conservation Commitments (Niue)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89664210054?pwd=MjNaaiM2aFdwZGwyaWpWUDh6cm9xQT09
9/12/2023	1.00 - 1.50pm	SIDE EVENT: Voyage of Resilience: WAM's Sustainable Maritime Solutions in the Pacific (Waan Aelon in Majel, NEO, GIZ)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84691710142?pwd=U2JCaFA2QTdsTkErb2xYtnQ1aWc3Zz09
9/12/2023	2.00-2.50pm	HL SIDE EVENT: Coordinated Approach to addressing People-Centred End-to-end Multi-Hazard Early Warning Systems in the Pacific: Weather Ready Pacific - A solution for the Pacific (Tonga and SPREP)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81651563973?pwd=TUVxK1pHLzcwNUxkYTJDZlKMFFKdz09
9/12/2023	3.00 - 3.50pm	SIDE EVENT: Financing adaptation to climate change for sustainable blue economies in Pacific island countries (Palau and Sasakawa Peace Foundation)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89331148096?pwd=TzVVKakxwWk1GS09hRzNzcFJMK3kzUT09
9/12/2023	4.00 - 4.50pm	SIDE EVENT: Capacity Building and Connections: Amplifying Youth Voices for Climate Ambition (Peace Boat)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81068293998?pwd=SmJ4QW1oS0VDamhpYtdGZnVvVmNaQT09

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9/12/2023	5.00 - 5.50pm	HL SIDE EVENT: Planning tools for a Just Energy Transition in the Pacific: A case study in Vanuatu (Vanuatu and Australia)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85704877718?pwd=MDFQnNNS0tiRG43ZCthT2sxeHpaUT09
10/12/2023	10.00 - 10.50am	SIDE EVENT: Interregional dialogues for SIDS youth voices on climate justice (Island Innovation)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81213614085?pwd=ZGtuRHJuQTU2SDJsTGR3TENobWVwUT09
10/12/2023	12.00 - 12.50pm	SIDE EVENT: Message to the International Court of Justice - Our Climate Story (Greenpeace)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89712523832?pwd=TUFQZ3hMVUszOHRrN2NLYW9XTW1aQT09
10/12/2023	1.00-1.50pm	SIDE EVENT: Taking stock: innovative finance solutions for adaptation and the community level (UNCDF)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87167044691?pwd=RUFpb05YdUtMNW54T0RaRkp3c1Q3Zz09
10/12/2023	2.00-2.50pm	SIDE EVENT: Partnerships for a Just Transition away from Fossil Fuels (Beyond Oil and Gas Alliance)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83665184755?pwd=OGhSb0YrbG45eTM0dkxBaFdzQnpaQT09
10/12/2023	3.00-3.50pm	SIDE EVENT: Pacific Coastal Food System: bridging the climate-food nexus (SPC)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85260178792?pwd=eVdKRmQ5cFZDL1RjK2RrY2hMRjJPUT09
11/12/2023	10.00-10.50am	SIDE EVENT: Gender, Age, and Climate: Inclusive Disaster Risk Financing Solutions for Women, Youth, and Elderly People in Pacific (UNU EHS)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87513420986?pwd=WExvMFpvbDRvR3lzYUQ5cnNWdDF3UT09
11/12/2023	11.00-11.50am	SIDE EVENT: Criminalization of Ecocide in the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court (Vanuatu)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87200748110?pwd=Sm9RTDFKVFV3a01Rd25yZWpxMTBGdz09
11/12/2023	12.00-12.50pm	SIDE EVENT: Pacific Owned and Pacific Led Financing Mechanism for building Community resilience (PIF)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86926484037?pwd=dUgweVNxQnFWYjdodzNFMFhaS2Q3Zz09
11/12/2023	1.00-1.50pm	SIDE EVENT: PCCC - SPREP Green and Resilient Pacific Games Initiative – Catalysing Actions on Climate Change (SPREP)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86455498096?pwd=SEdqZUNsRU1rTTJFTWxUa1Y3aktpQT09
11/12/2023	2.00-2.50pm	SIDE EVENT: Disaster Risk Finance as a tool for Development (Tonga)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83620787009?pwd=OFhUZUJUN1ltZndISWdQMkxvVjlvdz09
11/12/2023	3.00-3.50pm	SIDE EVENT: An Inclusive Climate Action with and for Children & Youth: the Role of Education and Participation (UNICEF)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86706765868?pwd=NjZlL3F2cHNjSmVkJWlZrTEZhfFp6QT09
11/12/2023	4.00-4.50pm	SIDE EVENT: The Story of Pacific Island Countries Offshore Fisheries: our identity, cultural heritage and economic sustain threatened by climate change (FFA)	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86990638350?pwd=T0IUUjhYZldlc1M1Tjg3cTlyQi85QT09
12/12/2023	ALL DAY	COP28 THEME: Final Negotiations (Last day of COP28 no side events scheduled)	

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THURSDAY 30 NOVEMBER 2023

COP28 THEME: OPENING		
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<p>10.00am – 10.50am</p> <p>(30 Nov)</p>	<p>Partnership: Governments of Niue and Tonga</p> <p>Contact: Haden Talagi Director Niue's Department of Environment E: Haden.Talagi@mail.gov.nu</p> <p>Atelaite Lupe Matoto Director of Environment, Tonga E: lupe.matoto@gmail.com</p>	<p>Restoring Island Resilience, Scaling Up the Management of Invasive Species to Increase Climate Resilience at a Large Landscape Scale in Niue and Tonga</p> <p>About: Tonga and Niue showcase their global leadership in scaling up the management of invasive species to increase the climate resilience of Pacific Island ecosystems and communities.</p> <p>Governments of Niue and Tonga will discuss their involvement in the development of a pilot for a Netflix documentary series by award-winning filmmaker, Mike Bhana titled: Saving Oceania.</p> <p>This special launch screening event will focus on the world leading efforts of both countries to scale up the management of invasive species to increase the climate resilience of their ecosystems and communities. Niue's Environment Minister has recently made a Pledge backing efforts for Niue to control 4 priority invasive species by supporting a large landscape/seascape scale approach to control Taro Vine, rats, feral pigs and the coral eating Drupella snail by 2030.</p> <p>This work is designed to create green jobs and enhance economic opportunities from Niue's premium tourism brand. Tonga has also Pledged to take a large landscape/seascape scale approach to the management of invasive predators following the successful eradication of rats from Late Island, the largest eradication ever undertaken in the Pacific.</p> <p>Research has shown that, in islands without rats, the coral reefs have 50% more fish and are more resilient to the impacts of climate change. Tonga plans to extend this work to expand its national park system and to protect a growing number of its coastal communities.</p> <p>Panel: Hon. Siaosi ʻOfakivahafolau Sovaleni, Prime Minister of Tonga; Hon. Mona Ainuu, Niue's Minister of Natural Resources; Dr German (Jerry) Velasquez, Director of GCF's Mitigation and Adaptation Division; Mike Bhana, Director, WildFilms; Penny Becker, Vice President, Island Conservation; and Sefanaia Nawadra, Director General,</p>

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<p>11.00am – 11.50am</p> <p>(30 Nov)</p>	<p>Partnership: Tokelau and MFAT, Aotearoa, New Zealand</p> <p>Contact: Romero Viane Legal and Policy Analyst E: romero.viane@tokelau.org.nz</p>	<p>Traditional Knowledge and Climate Resilience</p> <p>About: To provide insight on Tokelauan traditional knowledge in terms of Climate Change Resilience. It will present on knowledge and methods passed down from generations, used to not only adapt to the changes but to also mitigate the impacts of Climate Change to assist with standing resilient in times of disasters and hazards. This will also touch on early warning systems compared to the systematic and scientific based approaches which are well established in most countries today. Not to mention, a discussion on the reality and reliability of both systems on a remote and isolated community like Tokelau. As well as the importance of traditional knowledge and science working harmoniously as they both complement each other in terms of coverage, mode of distribution and consistency in these much-needed times.</p> <p>Panel: Representatives from Tokelau, New Zealand and SPREP.</p>
<p>12.00pm – 12.50pm</p> <p>(30 Nov)</p>	<p>Pacific Community (SPC)</p> <p>Contact: Andiswa Mlisa Principal Advisor Business Development Pacific, SPC E: andiswam@spc.int</p>	<p>Digital Earth Pacific - Building resilient Pacific through systematic satellite observation</p> <p>About: Showcase the current capabilities of Digital Earth Pacific as a digital public infrastructure to build a resilient Pacific region. Given the vulnerability of Pacific Island countries and territories (PICTs) to climate change, the Pacific region faces unique challenges in managing natural resources and biodiversity, securing economies and livelihoods, and ensuring sustainable food systems. Digital Earth Pacific aims to build the capacity of the Pacific region through adoption and leveraging of the cloud-native geospatial technologies that foster research and systematic observation. Digital Earth Pacific, through demand driven and user-centric approaches, will deliver an operational earth and marine observation system that takes decades of satellite data and makes it easier to access and use, empowering knowledge creators and decision-makers across the Pacific. This fundamental public digital infrastructure will ensure all PICTs have access to routinely acquired space data, tools, technologies, and capacity to systematically monitor challenges from climate change to support national, regional, and global commitments such as the 2050</p>

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		<p>Strategy for the Blue Pacific Continent, the Paris Agreement, and the Sustainable Development Goals.</p> <p>The Pacific Community works with stakeholders across the region to establish Digital Earth Pacific. This requires an emphasis on communications, outreach, and engagement, and creating strong, multi-stakeholder partnerships where finance, data, technology, and expertise can be leveraged and scaled to deliver the outcomes of the program.</p> <p>Moderator: Karena Lyons</p>
<p>1.00pm – 2.50pm</p> <p>(30 Nov)</p>	<p>The Pacific Community (SPC)</p> <p>Contact: Ms. Lisa Kingsberry E: lisak@spc.int WhatsApp: +6799252849</p>	<p>Loss and damage in reality: the existential threat of climate change on low lying islands of Tuvalu and the Republic of the Marshall Islands and the criticality of good data to inform adaptation options</p> <p>About: This interactive session is a scientific showcase using visual data that shows how small increments of sea level rise could amplify extreme events and how this impacts upon communities and critical resources in real ways. The modelling allows Leaders to visually see and engage in the importance of data and knowledge for effective policy making and supports the Pacific’s negotiation positions for COP28, especially the discussions on loss and damage under different scenarios projected by the latest IPCC report. The models also demonstrate the importance of unlocking climate finance to climate proof public infrastructure and investments for all Pacific island countries. It will be co-presented by Pacific Island Countries and the Pacific Community (SPC).</p>
<p>3.00pm – 3.50pm</p> <p>(30 Nov)</p>	<p>World Meteorological Organisation (WMO)</p> <p>Contact: Ben Churchill Director, WMO Regional Office for Asia and the South-West Pacific E: bchurchill@wmo.int</p>	<p>State of the Climate in the South-West Pacific 2022</p> <p>About: Regional and country perspectives on the findings of the State of the Climate in the South-West Pacific 2022 and actions for climate mitigation and adaptation for the Pacific region.</p> <p>Following the launch of the State of the Climate in the South-West Pacific 2022 by the Secretary-General of WMO at the Third Pacific Ministerial Meeting on Meteorology in Nadi, Fiji, 18 August 2023, this side event will provide a platform for WMO, Pacific SIDS, development partners and stakeholders to revisit the report findings and discuss their implications in more detail; articulate the impacts of climate change in the Pacific at regional and national level; and agree to use the report findings at COP28 to strengthen the case for more ambitious mitigation and adaptation measures, and scaled up investment in the Weather Ready Pacific Programme.</p> <p>Panel: Deputy Secretary-General or delegated representative of WMO (facilitator); Director General or delegated representative of SPREP, President of WMO</p>

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6.00pm – 8.00pm (30 Nov)	Australia, Aotearoa New Zealand, SPREP Contact: Audrey Brown-Pereira Side Events Curator E: audreyp@sprep.org	Official opening of the Moana Blue Pacific Pavilion and Launch of Mana Moana Pasifika Voices About: Official launch of the Moana Blue Pacific Pavilion and launch of the Mana Moana Pasifika Voices III.

FRIDAY 1 DECEMBER 2023


COP28 THEME: WORLD CLIMATE ACTION SUMMIT		
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11.00am – 11.50am (1 Dec)	Greenpeace Contact: Shiva Gounden Pacific Community Engagement Manager and Pacific Advisor Greenpeace, Australia, Pacific E: shiva.gounden@greenpeace.org	Pacific Island's Climate Ambitions to Protect Our People and Our Homes About: Pacific Island peoples and organisations' leadership in addressing fossil fuels which is the root cause of climate change and having a clear pathway for a just transition. This event will be in the format of panel of speakers speaking about the initiatives taken by Pacific Island peoples and organisations in addressing the root cause of climate change. It will highlight the Pacific Islands ambition when addressing the phasing out of fossil fuel and a just transition. It will include the Port Vila Call, The Fossil Fuel Non-Proliferation Treaty, ICJAO etc. Panel: PVC, FFNPF, PISFCC, 350.org, Greenpeace, PEV (tbc)
12.00pm - 12.50pm (1 Dec)	Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme (SPREP) Contact: Siosinamele Lui COSPPac Climate Traditional Knowledge Officer, SPREP E: siosinamelel@sprep.org	Documenting and applying Traditional Knowledge to enhance community resilience. A traditional Knowledge Database About: As the first database of its kind, the TK Database fills a critical gap in the appropriate storage and application of TK, member countries will highlight the TK Database and the traditional knowledge that has been collected and stored in the database and ways they have applied this knowledge or integrated this as a foundation for development and community resilience.

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		<p>Growing interest in traditional knowledge, particularly in relation to the prediction of weather or climate extremes, raises issues of the appropriate storage and management of the information collected. The Traditional Knowledge (TK) Database for the storage and use of TK associated with weather and climate prediction in the Pacific was designed with the following principals in mind: 1) preservation of the knowledge, maintaining cultural context wherever possible; 2) respect for intellectual property and cultural sensitivities around data sharing and use; 3) appropriate system design, accounting for on-going costs of system maintenance and often intermittent Internet access; and 4) moving beyond data preservation to ensure continued use and growth of the TK. As the first database of its kind, the TK Database fills a critical gap in the appropriate storage and application of TK and provides an important foundation for future developments.</p> <p>Panel: Rossy Mitiepo, Ofa Fa’anunu, VMGD rep, Siosinamele Lui, David Hiba.</p>
<p>1.00pm – 1.50pm</p> <p>(1 Dec)</p>	<p>Partnership: Government of Solomon Islands and SPREP</p> <p>Contact: Fred Patison Climate Finance Adviser, SPREP E: fredp@sprep.org</p>	<p>Strengthening National Coordination Mechanisms for Effective Climate Finance Delivery in the Pacific SIDS.</p> <p>About: Share experience and lessons learned from the Solomon Islands readiness project, UNDP GovRes and the World Bank funded PGSP Project.</p> <p>SPREP as a Green Climate Fund (GCF) accredited entity is providing assistance to the Solomon Islands the GCF National Designated Authority (NDA) to strengthen institutional, fiduciary and policy capacity to improve climate finance access. The readiness support is to build the capacity of the GCF NDA to fulfil its role as the National Designated Authority to engage the GCF.</p> <p>Establishing national coordination was identified as critical to effectively delivery given the multiple partner and stakeholder involved. The SPREP Solomon Island Readiness Project was a catalyst in strengthening coordination and the national through the establishment of the climate finance steering committee. At sub-national and innovative approach to coordinate and priorities community level climate vulnerabilities and priorities was established through the World Bank/UNDP supported Provincial Government Strengthening Programme (PGSP). This approach was recognized in the no objection procedure development by the Solomon GCF NDA to ensure that community vulnerabilities are fully realized in project development and design.</p> <p>Panel: Honourable Minister for Environment and Climate Change - Solomon Island; Dr Melchior Mataka - Permanent Secretary MECDM Solomon Islands; Mr. Fred Patison - SPREP Climate Finance Readiness Advisor; and Dr Momodu - World Bank PGSP Rep (tbc)</p>

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<p>2.00pm – 2.50pm</p> <p>(1 Dec)</p>	<p>Partnership: Governments of Fiji and Tuvalu with support from IOM and the Pacific Islands Forum</p> <p>Contact(s): PS Taupo E: ttaupo@gov.tv Sabira Coelho E: scoelho@iom.int Teea Tira E: teeat@forumsec.org Karlos Lee Moresi E: karlosm@forumsec.org</p>	<p>What Next For the Pacific Regional Framework on Climate Mobility</p> <p>About: The Framework recognises the urgent need to strengthen understanding, coordination and cooperation on climate change-related human mobility. In this session Pacific Leaders and partners will share what the regional framework aims to address in the context of climate change related human mobility including the process taken to arrive at this pioneering framework and why it is important for the Pacific.</p>
<p>3.00pm - 3.50pm</p> <p>(1 Dec)</p>	<p>Government of Tonga</p> <p>Contact(s): Ms. Saane Lolo Deputy CEO Aid Management and Resilient Development Division Ministry of Finance Government of Tonga E: slolo@finance.gov.to</p> <p>Alternate: Lisa Buggy RID Specialist UNDP Pacific Office E: lisa.buggy@undp.org</p>	<p>Pacific Climate Financing and the Green Climate Fund</p> <p>About: Pacific Island Countries have been pushing for greater climate finance access and reform of funding institutions, to ensure climate action is supported for the most local and vulnerable communities. This panel discussion, hosted by the Government of Tonga, in partnership with the Pacific Island Forum and United Nations Development Programme, brings together Pacific representatives and experts within the climate finance space to discuss recent developments, required reform and ways forward for the Pacific.</p> <p>Panel: Ms. Saane Lolo, Deputy CEO of the Aid Management and Resilient Development Division, Ministry of Finance, Government of Tonga; Dr. Melanie Pill, Research Fellow Climate Change, Indo-Pacific Development Centre, Lowy Institute; Mr. Wayne King, Director of Climate Change, Office of the Prime Minister, Government of the Cook Islands (tbc); Mr. Jean-Paul Penrose, Senior Development and Climate Adviser, Indo-Pacific Directorate, UK FCDO (tbc).</p> <p>Moderator: UNDP Pacific Office Representative (tbc)</p>
<p>4.00pm - 4.50pm</p> <p>(1 Dec)</p>	<p>UNICEF</p> <p>Contact(s): Zoraya El Raiss Cordero UNICEF E: zelraiss@unicef.org</p> <p>Ben Wildfire UNICEF E: bwildfire@unicef.org (remote)</p> <p>Saji Thomas UNICEF</p>	<p>The Climate Crisis is a Child Rights Crisis: Climate Justice and Children's Rights (UNICEF)</p> <p>About: The International Court of Justice Advisory Opinion on climate change: discussing State obligations on children's rights and climate change under international law.</p> <p>The International Court of Justice Advisory Opinion on state obligations concerning climate change provides an important opportunity to highlight how children's rights under international law are being violated as a result of climate change. This side event will explore and raise awareness of the links between climate change and children's rights and advocate for inclusive climate action for and with children and youth. It will also disseminate information that can be used to bolster ICJ submissions,</p>

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SATURDAY 2 DECEMBER 2023

COP28 THEME: WORLD CLIMATE ACTION SUMMIT		
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<p>10.00am – 10.50am</p> <p>(2 Dec)</p>	<p>Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme (SPREP)</p> <p>Contact(s): Semi Qamese E: semiq@sprep.org</p> <p>Sione Fulivai E: sionef@sprep.org</p>	<p>Amplifying Climate Actions: Capacity Building through Innovative Tools, Partnerships, and South-South Cooperation</p> <p>About: Pacific Island Countries (PICs) are considered to be at the forefront of climate change and natural disasters. They consistently rank among the top ten most vulnerable countries in the world. These countries face challenges in terms of geographical isolation, limited access to financing, and a small pool of local expertise to tackle climate change impacts and disasters. However, over the past decade, there have been efforts to address these constraints by delivering capacity building actions through innovative tools, the brokerage of knowledge from developers to end users, and lessons learned from other Pacific SIDS and SIDS regions.</p> <p>This event will not only highlight the immense value of accessible online tools for enhancing planning capacities and capabilities of governments and climate change practitioners but also underscores the imperative for resilient development at all levels. The event will also highlight the critical value of cooperation, coordination, partnerships, and lessons learned for enhancing SIDS capacities and capabilities at national, regional, and inter-regional levels.</p> <p>Panel: Mr. Semi Qamese: SPREP PACRES: EbA Learning Tool/MMEL Learning Tool; HE. Mr. Amena Yavoli: KIWA</p>

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		<p>Initiative – Capacity Building initiatives; Ms. Frances Reupena: Pacific Resilience Partnership; Mr. Mark Bynoe: Caribbean Community Climate Change Centre – SPREP; Kiribati: Kiribati National Expert Group and the Joint Implementation Plan (tbc); and Ms. Esline Garaebiti Bule: Director-General, and Chair of Vanuatu National Advisory Board (tbc).</p> <p>Moderator: Ms. Tagaloa Cooper, Director, Climate Change Resilience, SPREP</p>
<p>11.00am – 11.50am</p> <p>(2 Dec)</p>	<p>Government of Kiribati</p> <p>Contact person(s): Takena Redfern E: takena@ob.gov.ki</p> <p>Baniti Ekeieta Semilota E: banitisemilota123@gmail.com</p>	<p>Kiribati Youth Rising with Resilience and Pioneering Climate Solutions</p> <p>About: This side event seeks to showcase the proactive spirit and resilience of Kiribati's young generation. The theme "Kiribati Youth Rising with Resilience and Pioneering Climate Solutions" embodies this spirit of proactivity. It reflects the determination of Kiribati's young generation to rise above adversity, to adapt, and to pioneer innovative solutions that can serve as a beacon of hope not just for Kiribati but for vulnerable regions worldwide.</p> <p>Panel: (tbc)</p>
<p>12.00pm – 12.50pm</p> <p>(2 Dec)</p>	<p>Hinemoana Halo Ocean Fund (H2O Fund) and Conservation International Aotearoa</p> <p>Contact person: Mere Takoko Director H2O Fund & Vice President CI-Aotearoa E: mtakoko@conservation.org</p>	<p>Hinemoana Halo Ocean Initiative: Indigenous Blue Carbon Partnerships and Climate Leadership</p> <p>About: Achieving climate finance for IPLCs and establishing the Pacific's first IPLC-led blue nature market.</p> <p>In this session, Indigenous leaders and conservationists will draw on their experiences as part of the Hinemoana Halo Ocean Initiative to explore how we can respectfully and appropriately leverage Indigenous knowledge to establish VCM's backed up by science to help build climate resilience across the Aotearoa and the Pacific.</p> <p>Panel: Mere Takoko, Lisa Tumahai, Aperahama Edwards</p>
<p>1.00pm – 1.50pm</p> <p>(2 Dec)</p>	<p>Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme (SPREP)</p> <p>Contact person: Tavita Su'a Pacific Environment Portal Systems Developer and Analyst, SPREP E: tavitas@sprep.org</p>	<p>The Role of Data and Traditional Knowledge in Building Climate Resilience in the Pacific</p> <p>About: This side event will explore the key roles that structured data and traditional knowledge play in building resilience to climate change within our Pacific Communities.</p> <p>The UNEP CIS-Pac5 program, funded by the GCF, aims to enhance climate information services and last-mile communication systems in five Pacific nations. This side event will host a talanoa panel to emphasize the importance of both data and traditional knowledge in providing effective climate information to all. The discussion will delve into the contributions of stakeholders at regional, national, and community levels in strengthening climate resilience in Cook</p>

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		Islands, Niue, Palau, The Republic of the Marshall Islands and Tuvalu. Panel: Representatives from Niue, Tuvalu, SPREP and UNEP.
2.00pm – 2.50pm (2 Dec)	Cook Islands Contact person: Wayne King Director Climate Change Cook Islands Office of the Prime Minister E: wayne.king@cookislands.gov.ck	Climate Finance and Debt Reduction (Cook Islands) About: Accessing climate finance has its challenges for SIDS, which is not fully supported by IFI's in terms of their alignment with the Paris Goals, but their policies and procedures need reform. Panel: (tbc)
4.00pm – 4.50pm (2 Dec)	Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme (SPREP) Contact person: 'Ofa Kaisamy Manager Pacific Climate Change Centre, SPREP E: ofak@sprep.org	Building Resilience in the Pacific: How the Pacific Climate Change Centre is addressing Climate Change through its key services About: Building Resilience in the Pacific through the key services of the Pacific Climate Change Centre. This high-level event is set for Pacific Ministers and officials to provide perspectives on how the Pacific Climate Change Centre is addressing Climate Change through its key services over the three years of its operation. The PCCC is globally respected centre of excellence. It is highly valued by Pacific Island countries and territories as it provides practical support and training to address their adaptation and mitigation priorities. It is underpinned by strong partnerships with Pacific Governments, applied research institutions, donors and the private sector. These collaborations have led to innovative products which are increasing resilience in the Pacific. The PCCC is a trusted source of user-friendly, scientifically robust information on climate and meteorological science, climate change impacts and responses. This information directly supports more effective decision-making in Pacific communities. Panel: Prime Minister of Tonga, Minister of MNRE Samoa, Minister of OEPPC Republic of Marshall Islands.

SUNDAY 3 DECEMBER 2023

COP28 THEME: HEALTH/ RELIEF, RECOVERY AND PEACE

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10.00am – 10.50am (3 Dec)	WWF Contacts: Alfred Ralifo Senior Policy and Government Affairs Manager WWF-Pacific E: aralifo@wwfpacific.org	Pathways to Island Climate Resilience: Local Solutions in Global Frameworks #ShareYourStory #PeopleAndNaturePositivePacific About: A High-Level panel discussion, amplifying the voices from our island communities and first nations people to harness their experiences and insights in coping with climate challenges, emphasizing the significance of giving priority to local nature-based solutions within global climate commitments. During COP28, an assembly of voices representing island communities, governments, intergovernmental organizations, and civil society will come together to share their narratives of resilience in the face of complex global challenges. This gathering aims to spotlight the vital role played by local island communities in addressing these crises. Organized by the Global Island Partnership, Climate Action Network Australia, cChange, GEF SGP (Fiji), and WWF, this event seeks to amplify the voices of island communities and indigenous peoples. It will draw upon their wealth of experiences and insights in navigating the impacts of climate change, underscoring the utmost importance of prioritizing locally-driven, nature-based solutions within the broader context of global climate commitments. This focus revolves around identifying and eliminating obstacles that hinder vulnerable island communities' ability to respond to climate and biodiversity related loss and damage, equitable access to essential climate and biodiversity finances, resources, and the capacity required to scaleup and sustain community-led, ecosystem-based adaptation initiatives at the scale and pace needed to match the accelerating climate and biodiversity crises. These efforts are deemed fundamental to achieving the critical objective of limiting global warming to 1.5 degrees Celsius and achieving tangible, on-the-ground impacts where they are most needed. Panel: High-level community voices from Fiji, Solomon Islands, Zenadth Kes/Torres Strait, and Papua New Guinea; High-level government representative from Fiji or Vanuatu; and High-level representative from the Melanesia Spearhead Group.
11.00am – 11.50am (3 Dec)	Partnership: Vanuatu in partnership with Aotearoa New Zealand Contact(s): Ben Abraham Senior Advisor	Addressing Loss and Damage: Leadership and lessons from the Pacific About Recent breakthroughs in international support for loss and damage finance have come on the back of decades of advocacy from the Pacific. The Pacific are also leading by

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	<p>Climate Finance Policy New Zealand Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade E: Ben.Abraham@mfat.govt.nz</p> <p>Dr. Christopher Bartlett Government of Vanuatu E: pacificislandclimatechange@gmail.com</p>	<p>example in implementing national approaches to addressing loss and damage. Through UNFCCC negotiations, have clearly articulated how the Loss and Damage Fund must operate programmatically with simplified access to effectively deliver for SIDS.</p> <p>This event highlights Pacific leadership through examples of national action to address both economic non-economic loss and damage facing SIDS. The event will be opened by Hon. Ralph Regenvanu the Pacific Champion for Loss and Damage and a panel of other High-level Pacific representatives will share effective responses to loss and damage that can be funded now and that represent what the Loss and Damage Fund must be able to support.</p> <p>High-level representatives from donor countries will respond as discussants highlighting how the approaches fit their priorities for climate finance and the Loss and Damage Fund.</p> <p>Panel: (tbc)</p>
<p>12.00pm – 12.50pm</p> <p>(3 Dec)</p>	<p>Pacific Islands Development Forum (PIDF)</p> <p>Contacts: Arpana Pratap Director Blue Economy PIDF E: arpana.pratap@pidf.int</p>	<p>Financing ocean-based climate mitigation, adaptation, and resilience</p> <p>About: This session will discuss how different actors in climate finance can support new finance ideas to solve the ocean's complex problems.</p> <p>Ocean-based climate actions face unique challenges, which make traditional forms of climate and development finance difficult to apply and create unacceptable levels of risk for private sector investment. Novel financing solutions have enormous potential to generate funds for the implementation of ocean-based initiatives such as marine spatial planning, blue carbon projects, sustainable fisheries and aquaculture, and addressing marine plastics. This session discusses how different actors in climate finance can support new finance ideas to solve the ocean's complex problems.</p> <p>Panel: (tbc)</p>
<p>1.00pm – 1.50pm</p> <p>(3 Dec)</p>	<p>Pacific Islands Development Forum (PIDF)</p> <p>Contacts: Arpana Pratap Director Blue Economy PIDF E: arpana.pratap@pidf.int</p>	<p>Catalysing investment in the Pacific blue economy</p> <p>About: This session brings together governments, investors, and the private sector to discuss how policy and market initiatives can facilitate private sector investments in the Pacific blue economy.</p> <p>For small island, large ocean states, sustainable futures lie in the opportunities provided by the blue economy. Attracting private sector investment is key to developing the blue economy and meeting Sustainable Development Goals throughout the Pacific. This session brings together governments, investors, and the private sector to discuss</p>

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		<p>how policy and market initiatives can facilitate private sector investments in the Pacific blue economy.</p> <p>Panel: (tbc)</p>
<p>2.00pm – 2.50pm</p> <p>(3 Dec)</p>	<p>Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme (SPREP)</p> <p>Contact(s): Semi Qamese E: semiq@sprep.org</p> <p>Sione Fulivai E: sionef@sprep.org</p>	<p>Catalysing Private Sector Investment through Climate Resilient Partnerships</p> <p>About: Pacific Island Countries (PICs) are considered to be at the forefront of climate change and natural disasters. They consistently rank among the top ten most vulnerable countries in the world. These countries face challenges in terms of geographical isolation, limited access to financing, and a small pool of local expertise to tackle climate change impacts and disasters. However, over the past decade, there have been efforts to address these constraints through the development of online capacity development tools, guidelines, and e-learning platforms. Various agencies have undertaken initiatives to promote regional collaboration, share knowledge, and create partnerships to enhance Pacific regionalism and resilience building.</p> <p>This event will highlight the respective initiatives and approaches developed by Pacific resilience practitioners in the Private Sector and their endeavours to achieve enhanced levels of efficiency and effectivity in their planning processes and development of innovative products and tools.</p> <p>Panel: Mr. Semi Qamese: GCCA+ PACRES Project, SPREP; Ms. Emeline Tuita: CEO Tonga Development Bank (tbc); Mr. Glen Craig: Vanuatu Business Resilience Council; PSIDS (tbc)</p> <p>Moderator: Ms. Tagaloa Cooper, Director Climate Change Resilience, SPREP</p>
<p>3.00pm – 3.50pm</p> <p>(3 Dec)</p>	<p>Climate Finance Access Network (CFAN)</p> <p>Contact(s): Jale Samuwai Pacific Manager CFAN E: jale.samuwai@rmi.org</p> <p>Denali Hussin Strategic Communication Manager Rocky Mountain Institute E: dhussin@rmi.org</p>	<p>Responding to the Global Stocktake: Mobilizing Finance at Speed and Scale</p> <p>About: This event brings together leaders, experts and practitioners to discuss bold innovative finance approaches that meet the urgency of the climate crisis.</p> <p>At COP28, climate finance will again be at the top of agenda. With the release of the Global Stocktake, it is unequivocal that urgent climate action at an unprecedented scale and pace is required to course correct and ensure Island nations survival. Finance is critical to enable this step.</p> <p>In the Pacific, our leaders have made it clear that access to climate finance remains a top priority. While discussion of climate finance flows in the region has largely centered on scaling up investments and accelerating access to climate finance, this event aims to push discussion to explore innovative financial mechanisms and approaches that are relevant, specific and timely for the Pacific. It will create a</p>

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		<p>space where bold ideas and solutions can be brought to light. Panelists will address financial mechanisms, such as blue bonds, debt-for-nature swaps, regional and national fund structures, and the importance of long-term, lasting capacity building that focuses on country needs and maintaining country talent. Conversation will encompass practical approaches to accessing finance that challenge the status quo and present opportunities to scale.</p> <p>Programme: Opening remarks from the Prime Minister of Tonga and Pacific Political Champion on Climate Finance, Honourable Siaosi ʻOfakivahafolau Sovaleni (tbc).</p> <p>Panellists: Ms Coral Pasisi (SPC), Mr Phonesavanh Latmany (Papua New Guinea CFAN Advisor), Ms Anne Rasmussen (AOSIS), Dr Shivendra Michael (Fiji Negotiator), Mr Karlos Lee Moresi (PIFS) (tbc).</p> <p>Moderator: Laetitia De Marez, Program Director, CFAN</p>
<p>4.00pm – 4.50pm</p> <p>(3 Dec)</p>	<p>United Nations Capital Development Fund (UNCDF)</p> <p>Contact: Mr. Krishnan Narasimhan Programme Manager and Lead Insurance and Climate Adaptation Specialist, UNCDF E: krishnan.narasimhan@uncdf.org</p>	<p>Lessons Learned from Implementing Climate Risk Insurance Solutions in the Pacific</p> <p>About: In this panel discussion, UNCDF’s Pacific Insurance and Climate Adaptation Programme (PICAP) and its partners will share exciting results and lessons learned from implementing climate risk insurance solutions in the Pacific. Preceded by the beneficiary impact stories, an experienced panel of experts will highlight practical approaches to working with country stakeholders in addressing the protection gap.</p> <p>To cope with the consequences of frequent and severe disasters in the south Pacific, the Pacific Insurance and Climate Adaptation Programme (PICAP) was launched in 2021 aiming to improve the financial preparedness and resilience of the Pacific people. In the first two years, the programme has seen immense success with almost 5000 beneficiaries covered in Fiji, Vanuatu and Tonga, of which, 47% are women and 12% are persons with disabilities. Additionally, during the first months of 2023, a total of 1097 beneficiaries have received microinsurance payouts after heavy rainfall in Fiji and two tropical cyclones in Vanuatu.</p> <p>Attaining all of these achievements in a short period of time has not been without challenges. To strengthen continuous learning and knowledge-sharing, the programme team continuously made efforts to systematically capture the lessons learned and some of the main lessons related to: partnerships, innovative insurance product development, distribution, outreach and capacity-building, managing for impact and sustainability and evidence-based programming.</p> <p>Panel: Mr. Krishnan Narasimhan, Programme Manager and Lead Insurance and Climate Adaptation Specialist, United Nations Capital Development Fund (UNCDF); Ms. Ana Ika, Chief Economist, Tonga Ministry of Finance; Senior</p>

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representative from the Ministry of Climate Change, Vanuatu; Ms. Sinja Buri, Team Lead Solutions and Practice Partnerships at the Munich Climate Insurance Initiative, hosted at the United Nations University - Institute for Environment and Human Security (UNU-EHS); and Mr. Veilawa Rereiwassaliwa, Director, Tower Group Services, Fiji

MONDAY 4 DECEMBER 2023

COP28 THEME: FINANCE/ TRADE/ GENDER EQUALITY/ ACCOUNTABILITY		
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9.00am – 9.50am (4 Dec)	<p>Secretariat of the Basel, Rotterdam Conventions</p> <p>Contact: Tatiana Terekhova Programme Management Officer Secretariat of the Basel, Rotterdam, and Stockholm Conventions E: tatiana.terekhova@un.org</p>	<p>Connecting climate mitigation to depolluting oceans through concrete solutions in the Pacific Islands</p> <p>About: The high-level event will discuss how the Pacific Islands strive towards achieving sustainable waste management, between control of flows of plastic wastes and reduction of greenhouse gases emissions.</p> <p>Marine plastic pollution is a global environmental threat. In the Pacific region, which is hard-hit by climate related disasters, marine plastic pollution magnifies climate impacts.</p> <p>The exponential growth of trade in plastic wastes, which are in some cases hazardous and in others unsuitable for recycling has become a major concern. Plastic Waste Amendments to the Basel Convention are a welcome global policy development for better controlling flows of plastic wastes and preventing countries from receiving unwanted waste which they do not have capacity to safely manage.</p> <p>At the regional level, the Waigani Convention, a regional treaty aimed at tackling hazardous waste and other pollutants in the Pacific region, has long been a crucial instrument for environmental protection and sustainability. In October 2023 Parties to the Waigani Convention made history by adopting its first-ever amendment marking a significant step toward aligning the Convention with international efforts to combat plastic waste.</p> <p>Plastic pollution causes environmental disruption: pollution of soil and water systems, emission of methane gas from landfills, thinning of ozone layer, negative impact on marine and forest ecosystems by ultraviolet radiation. Plastics are carbon intensive, consuming 6% of global oil production and can be carbon intensive to dispose of, particularly if they are burned in the open.</p> <p>Pacific Islands are in a particularly vulnerable position. Why?</p>

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		<p>Plastic waste likely will end up in illegal landfills, burned in the open or dumped in the ocean. Failure to safely manage it contributes to GHG emissions (black carbon aerosols have 5,000 times global warming potential of CO₂). Waste sector contributes to the GHG emissions globally. Open dumping accounts for 31%, with some lower-income countries relying on it at 93%.</p> <p>Prevention and recovery of wastes have positive consequences for reducing GHG emissions in all economic sectors. BRS and Minamata Conventions Secretariats outlined holistic approach in the report on interlinkages between chemicals, wastes & climate change.</p> <p>There are exciting initiatives in Pacific Islands to reduce marine pollution, such as the SPREP Moana Taka Partnership providing a regional opportunity to export hazardous wastes for environmentally sound management and disposal elsewhere.</p> <p>SIDS-to-SIDS experience will be shared through the Global Environment Facility ISLANDS Programme by the Caribbean partners.</p> <p>Panel: Mr Rolph Payet, the Executive Secretary of the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions; Mr Sefanaia Nawadra, Director-General, Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme (SPREP), high-level representative of Cook Islands (tbc), Ms Jewel Batchasingh, Director, the Basel Convention Regional Centre for Training and Technology Transfer for the Caribbean.</p>
<p>10.00am - 10.50am</p> <p>(4 Dec)</p>	<p>Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme (SPREP)</p> <p>Contact: Dr. Mohammed Asid Zullah Pollution Adviser SPREP E: mohammedz@sprep.org</p>	<p>Plastic Free Pacific</p> <p>About: Plastic waste has become a key driver of pollution across the world, overwhelming marine, terrestrial and aerial ecosystems.</p> <p>In September 2021, Pacific leaders expressed grave concern about the environmental, social, cultural, economic, human rights, human health, and food security impacts of plastic pollution. They adopted a regional declaration on the prevention of marine litter and plastic pollution and its impacts, which calls for action to reduce and eliminate plastic pollution.</p> <p>In July 2022, Pacific Islands Forum leaders adopted the ambitious 2050 strategy for the blue Pacific continent. One of the strategy's seven key themes is "ocean and environment," which commits to protecting the ocean and its resources from pollution. But many measures are working well, such as the comprehensive regional framework for sustainable waste management and pollution prevention, Cleaner Pacific 2025. Nineteen of the twenty-one Pacific countries and territories (90%) have policies banning single-use plastics and polystyrene, and more countries are declaring commitments to do so. The total pledge will soon reach 100% of Pacific island countries and territories. The Pacific islands are setting an example for the rest of the world in the fight against plastic</p>

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		<p>pollution. They are showing that it is possible to take action, even in the face of significant challenges.</p> <p>Panel: (tbc)</p>
<p>11.00am – 11.50am</p> <p>(4 Dec)</p>	<p>Government of Vanuatu</p> <p>Contact: Kemson Tavdey Regional Cooperation Coordinator & Global Climate Diplomacy Coordinator E: ktavdey07@gmail.com</p>	<p>International Court of Justice Advisory Opinion on Climate Change</p> <p>About: An advocacy approach to inform and request countries, organizations, civil society and youths to support the ICJ legal proceedings on Climate Change and to enrich public outreach campaigns.</p> <p>After the successful UNGA adoption of the resolution seeking an Advisory Opinion on Climate Change from the International Court of Justice in March this year following by the ICJ order fixing the date for the legal proceedings, Vanuatu has been since then mobilizing resources and working in partnership with Stakeholders (countries, organizations, Civil Societies and youths) to coordinate written submissions to the Court. Vanuatu believes that the participation of all the Stakeholders in the ICJ legal proceedings would be a significant opportunity not to be missed in support of the global fight against climate change and justice ensuring that our voices are heard.</p> <p>This event will be enriched by our expert panelists who will be sharing the latest updates on ICJ legal proceedings, their experiences in developing inclusive and enhanced collaborative approaches to ensure legal and technical resources are made available for all Stakeholders. It will serve as a platform for learning, awareness, capacity building, motivation and professional development opportunities for the youths and participants.</p> <p>ICJ Advisory opinion can urgently drive renewed ambition and create synergies within the UNFCCC processes and provide legal clarity on climate-related issues, state responsibility, international obligations, and the legal implications of climate-related actions or inactions.</p> <p>Panel: (tbc)</p>
<p>12.00pm - 12.50pm</p> <p>(4 Dec)</p>	<p>Fiji Government</p> <p>Contact: Filimone Ralogaivau Adaptation Specialist Climate Change Division Office of the Prime Minister, Fiji Government E: filimone.ralogaivau@pmoffice.gov.fj</p>	<p>Developing Fiji's Comprehensive Risk and Vulnerability Assessment Methodology</p> <p>About: The event aims to highlight the key components of Fiji's Comprehensive Risk and Vulnerability Assessment Methodology (CRVAM), that is currently undergoing finalisation. The CRVAM is a supplementary document to the Standard Operating Procedures for Planned Relocation in Fiji.</p> <p>The CRVAM lays out processes for the assessment of current and future climate risks faced at community level by utilising participatory, human-centred, and science-based approaches. The CRVAM serves to support an informed and holistic decision-</p>

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		<p>making process when addressing the crucial question – to relocate or to not relocate?</p> <p>Climate change is impacting on our Pacific cultural identities, social structures and psychosocial wellbeing and when developing the CRVAM the processes to capture and measure these impacts on social and cultural assets were considered.</p> <p>Panel: Fiji Government, SPC, partners (tbc)</p>
<p>1.00pm - 1.50pm</p> <p>(4 Dec)</p>	<p>Adaptation Fund</p> <p>Contact: Vladislav Arnaoudov Coordinator, Secretariat of the Technical Evaluation Reference Group of the Adaptation Fund (AF-TERG) / Senior Evaluation Officer E: varnaoudov@adaptation-fund.org</p>	<p>The work of the Adaptation Fund in Pacific SIDs</p> <p>About: Introduction of the work of the AF in the Pacific island states and learnings from project implementation and completed evaluations.</p> <p>This is a joint event between the Adaptation Fund Board Secretariat and the Technical Evaluation Reference Group of the Adaptation Fund (AF-TERG), as well as representatives of NIEs from the Pacific Region. The event will be a space for sharing learnings and experiences from projects on the ground and completed evaluations as well as for the Adaptation Fund to share some of its perspectives under the new Mid-Term Strategy.</p> <p>Moderator: Mr. Vladislav Arnaoudov, AF-TERG Secretariat Coordinator and Senior Evaluation Officer</p> <p>Panel: Mr. Mikko Ollikainen (AF Board Secretariat Manager), Ms. Debbie Menezes (AF-TERG Chair), Ms. Saliha Dobardzic (Senior Climate Change Specialist), Ministry of Finance and Economic Management Cook Islands (Ms. Mii Kino, Development programme Assistant), SPREP (Ms. Salome Takufu, SPREP PCU Team)</p>
<p>3.00pm - 3.50pm</p> <p>(4 Dec)</p>	<p>Partnership: NOAA Ocean Acidification Program, U.S. State Department, OA Alliance, Ocean Foundation; and the Global Ocean Acidification Observing Network (GOA-ON)</p> <p>Contact: Kalina Grabb NOAA Ocean Acidification Program E: kalina.grabb@noaa.gov</p> <p>Jessie Turner, OA Alliance E: Jturner@unfoundation.org</p>	<p>Leading on Ocean Acidification Monitoring, Policy, and Finance in the Pacific to Implement SDG 14.3</p> <p>About: The Pacific Islands region is leading on ocean acidification (OA) knowledge generation by developing regional monitoring and research programs that can be leveraged in the future to inform climate-ocean mitigation, adaptation, and resilience priorities.</p> <p>This event will share out goals, partnerships, and successes of Pacific Islands Ocean Acidification Centre (PIOAC).</p> <p>Increasing collaborations and investments in regional OA knowledge generation is essential for achieving the goals of the Paris Agreement, implementing UN SDG 14.3 and supporting Parties in taking domestic climate-ocean action.</p> <p>Panel: Permanent Secretary of the Office of the Prime Minister Mr. Pita Wise, Ambassador Peter Thomson, UN Special Envoy to the Ocean and Ambassador Luteru, Permanent Representative of Samoa to the UN, Chair of AOSIS (invited).</p> <p>With representatives from Pacific Community; The Ocean Foundation; and U.S. NOAA's Ocean Acidification Program.</p>

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		Moderator: Jessie Turner, OA Alliance
4.00pm – 4.50pm (4 Dec)	Pacific Catastrophe Risk Insurance Company (PCRIC) Contact: Pankaj Singh Finance and Planning Manager, PCRIC E: fpmanger@pcric.org	Paving the Way for the Risk Pools Against Climate Disaster Risks About: A panel discussion that aims to showcase how Risk Pools can be an effective instrument to rapidly mobilise resources to minimise Loss and Damage. Previous COPs have deliberated extensively on accessibility of climate and disaster risk finance. Mobilising these resources is also critical after these funds have been accessed. This session will discuss how Risk Pools can be used as an architecture to mobilise climate and disaster risk finance & insurance to reach those who are most in need. Panel: (tbc)
5.00pm – 5.50pm (4 Dec)	Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme (SPREP) Contact: Vani Koroisamanunu Environmental GIS Specialist, SPREP E: vanik@sprep.org	Geospatial Solutions for Climate Challenges: A Focus on Loss, Damage, and Adaptation About: This side event will explore the use of geospatial technologies and methods to address climate-related issues with a specific emphasis on understanding, mitigating, and adapting to the impacts of loss and damage to secure a resilient Pacific Community. This side event will host a talanoa panel emphasizing the role of Geospatial Information Systems (GIS) in assessing and mitigating these impacts, combining data, mapping, and analytical tools. The integration of GIS in the Pacific has not only bolstered the region's capacity to monitor and respond to climate changes but has also fostered cross-sector collaboration and community engagement, ultimately contributing to a more sustainable and resilient future for the region. The discussion focuses on the significant role played by stakeholders at various levels in enhancing climate resilience in Pacific island nations using GIS technology as a crucial tool that empowers governments, organizations, and communities to make informed decisions and collaborate in building resilience to address the challenges posed by climate change. The Pacific islands urgently call for international action, emphasizing mitigation and support for adaptation using innovative GIS technology towards a resilience-building effort for our Pacific leaders. Panel: - Honourable John Silk (RMI), Ms. Filomena Nelson - SPREP, CSIRO Australia, Ms. Leba Gaunavinaka, Fiji, Ms. Andiswa Mlisa - Digital Earth Pacific, Moderator: Vani Koroisamanunu, SPREP
6.00pm – 8.00pm	Government of Vanuatu Contact:	Treaty Talanoa: Pacific Governments and Civil Society championing the global call for a Fossil Fuel Non-

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<p>(4 Dec)</p>	<p>Auimatagi Joe Moeono-Kolio Chief Advisor, Pacific Secretariat - The Fossil Fuel Non-Proliferation Treaty Initiative E: joe@fossilfuel treaty.org</p>	<p>Proliferation Treaty.</p> <p>About: Pacific SIDS fought hard to enshrine in the Paris Agreement the global goal to limit average temperature rise to below 1.5 degrees C. There is now overwhelming scientific evidence that existing fossil fuel reserves would lead to a significant overshoot of 1.5 degrees if consumed. Rather than phasing out extraction, many fossil fuel producers continue to expand their operations and continue to explore for new reserves. The logic is simple: unless we limit production (expansion), we will never be able to limit consumption (emissions).</p> <p>To date, there has been very little discussion about how to manage a rapid, global phase out of fossil fuels while continuing to sustainably develop. This event brings together our leaders and Pacific Treaty Champions from across the moana for an important discussion on the need for global governance of fossil fuel phaseout and to make a collective call for the development of a Fossil Fuel Non-Proliferation Treaty.</p> <p>We urgently need to establish the rules to govern fossil fuel phaseout which at present, remains unmanaged. To that end, 8 Governments have made the call for a new international mechanism to explicitly manage the phaseout of fossil fuels in line with the goals of the Paris Agreement and initiate a global, Just and Equitable transition to renewable energy.</p> <p>Panel: The Hon Ralph Regenvanu, Minister for Climate Change Adaptation, Energy, Environment, Meteorology, Geo-Hazards and Disaster Management (Vanuatu); The Hon Seve Paeniu, Minister of Finance and Economic Development (Tuvalu); Dr Tzeporah Berman, Chair & Founder of the Fossil Fuel Non-Proliferation Treaty Initiative; Rev James Bhagwan, General Secretary, Pacific Conferences of Churches; Selina Leem, Poet & Climate Activist, Marshall Islands; Other panellists (tbc)</p> <p>Moderator: Taholo Kami</p>
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TUESDAY 5 DECEMBER 2023

<p>COP28 THEME: ENERGY AND INDUSTRY/ JUST TRANSITION/ INDIGENOUS PEOPLES</p>		
<p>TIME (DUBAI)</p>	<p>ORGANISERS AND PARTNERS</p>	<p>EVENT</p>

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<p>9.00am – 9.50am</p> <p>(5 Dec)</p>	<p>Deep Sea Conservation Coalition</p> <p>Contacts: Phil McCabe Pacific Regional Lead Deep Sea Conservation Coalition E: philmccabe101@gmail.com</p>	<p>Ensuring Ecosystem Integrity to Sustain Deep Ocean Benefits and Values</p> <p>About: This event fits within a series of discussions around advancing increased focus and funding toward a sustained, comprehensive deep-sea scientific research program aimed at increasing knowledge and capabilities among Pacific States for marine management and evidence-based decision making on ocean matters. Sustaining ocean health and resilience is a regional and global priority.</p> <p>Given the lack of scientific understanding of deep-sea ecosystems and the cumulative existing stressors upon their health and functioning, as well as pressing considerations about future activities in the deep, more knowledge and capabilities are required to enable evidence-based decision making and optimised sustainable management of our ocean.</p> <p>Increased focus and funding for a sustained, comprehensive deep-sea scientific research program, including research into marine genetic resources, is a need recognised by Pacific island peoples and governments, the marine scientific community, environmental groups and global partners. Such a program could, among other things, include an increased focus on the benefits (both monetary and non monetary) of marine genetic resources, the natural capital values provided by healthy ecosystem services such as carbon sequestration and food security, and other potential sustainable ocean uses, with regional capacity building and the transfer of technology as top cross-cutting priorities.</p> <p>Panel: Vanuatu & Palau High-Level representatives; Developed State High-Level representative; Pacific indigenous Leader; Deep Sea Scientist; and University of South Pacific representative.</p>
<p>11.00am – 11.50pm</p> <p>(5 Dec)</p>	<p>Fiji Government</p> <p>Contact: Prashant Chandra Manager Climate Change Division, Office of the Prime Minister Fiji Government E: rashant.chandra01@pmoffice.gov.fj</p>	<p>Fiji’s advances, innovations and leadership on action on climate change</p> <p>About: Highlighting Fiji’s advances, innovations and leadership on action on climate change with respect to regional and global climate change development priorities, and future plans for addressing climate change.</p> <p>Since Fiji’s tenure as Presidency of COP23, the country has taken a number of steps to advance both climate change adaptation and mitigation and has emerged as a regional and global leader in developing innovative responses to climate change. This side event will provide an opportunity to share experiences and lessons learned from Fiji’s climate change adaptation and mitigation programs. It will also provide a platform for Fiji to share the country’s vision for climate change action into the future, including its long-term net zero strategy as well as priorities for regional coordination across the Pacific, and guidance to the international community and development</p>

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		<p>partners on how they can best support a Pacific-led approach to climate change adaptation and mitigation. Panelists from regional organizations, civil society, and development partner organizations will be invited to share insights on Fiji's initiatives and how they can be innovated, scaled up and replicated throughout the Pacific region.</p> <p>Panel: Fiji Prime Minister Hon Sitiveni Ligamamada Rabuka OR Department of Climate Change: Prashant Chandra, Officer-in-charge: Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat or GGGI; WRI (NDC & CFS) or IFC, WB (green bonds) Prashant Chandra (formerly WRI); Daniel Lund, Special Adviser and Drua Incubator Principal Analyst; Pacific civil society organization or private sector FCOSS PICAN or FCEF (tbc).</p> <p>Moderator: Noa Seru, DT Global Climate Finance Specialist</p>
<p>12.00pm – 12.50pm</p> <p>(5 Dec)</p>	<p>Government of Vanuatu</p> <p>Contact: Moirah Matou Project Manager VanKIRAP VMGD E: mmatou@vanuatu.gov.vu</p>	<p>Vanuatu Roads Design Guide increasing Climate Resilience across Vanuatu</p> <p>About: This side event is to showcase the new revised Vanuatu Roads Design Guide to build climate resilient roads in Vanuatu.</p> <p>Vanuatu government in partnership with Infrastructure Sector - Vanuatu Public Works Department (PWD) under Van-KIRAP project through Vanuatu Meteorology & Geo-Hazards Department (VMGD) is now using Climate change projections for Vanuatu. This new climate services tool is developed by CSIRO- Australia which includes extreme rainfalls, sea level rise, and extreme temperatures as well as intensive tropical cyclones projections. CSIRO and PWD engineers used future climate change projects of extreme climate events to be factored into the Vanuatu Roads Design Guide.</p> <p>GCF funded project, Van-KIRAP acquired a new drone with LIDAR capability, which provides this sector with higher resolution data on the terrain, advancing the capability for PWD engineers to better design roads that are resilient to climate change. PWD now has a revised road design guide. Capacity building and training on the new Road Design guide has up- skilled the engineers to improve designs of culverts and other roads infrastructure. In the past the road design guide has been based on historical climate data. However, through the Climate Information Services for Resilient development (CISRD)/Van-KIRAP, the road designs in Vanuatu is now based on future climate extremes and therefore building more climate resilient infrastructures in Vanuatu.</p> <p>Panel: High level representatives from, MoCC, PWD, SPREP, CSIRO and VMGD</p>
<p>1.00pm – 1.50pm</p>	<p>Government of Vanuatu</p> <p>Contact:</p>	<p>Building Climate Resilience through Traditional Knowledge in Vanuatu</p>

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<p>(5 Dec)</p>	<p>Moirah Matou Project Manager VanKIRAP VMGD E: mmatou@vanuatu.gov.vu</p>	<p>About: This side event will showcase the traditional knowledge used by the local community to monitor Traditional Knowledge Indicators (i.e., animals, plants behavior) for Weather and Seasonal changes or variations and taking resilient actions.</p> <p>The Climate Information Services for Resilient Development (CISRD) or Van- KIRAP project is funded by the Green Climate Fund (GCF) and implemented in partnership with accredited entity SPREP, delivery partner Bureau of Meteorology (BoM), Earthwatch Australia and Vanuatu Meteorology & Geo-Hazards Department. This side event will showcase seasonal calendars, for each of the provinces of Vanuatu, and the Vanuatu national Traditional Knowledge indicators booklet.</p> <p>These Traditional Knowledge tools are decision-making platforms suitable for remote areas and serve as early warning systems. Supplementing these Traditional Knowledge tools is the innovative technology known as the Climatewatch App. A phone app that is introduced to all communities to monitor plants and animals' behavior in the Vanuatu. This encourages all communities to monitor and be observant to their natural environment and prepare for any natural disaster.</p> <p>Panel: High level representatives from, MoCC, SPREP, and VMGD, BoM</p>
<p>2.00pm – 2.50pm</p> <p>(5 Dec)</p>	<p>Partnership: Republic of Marshall Islands, World Bank PREPII and Melbourne University</p> <p>Contact: Mr. Clarence Samuel Director Republic of Marshall Islands Climate Change Directorate E: clarencesam@gmail.com</p>	<p>Launching of the Marshall Islands National Adaptation Plan</p> <p>About: Republic of Marshall Islands to showcase its National Adaptation Plan (NAP) and present adaptation pathways and highlighting key messages for the global community.</p> <p>Panel: His Excellency David Kabua, President of Republic of Marshall Islands (tbc); Hon. Minister John M. Silk, Ministry of Natural Resources & Commerce; Mr. Clarence Samuel, Republic of Marshall Islands Climate Change Directorate, Director; Ms. Kathy Jetnil-Kijiner, Republic of Marshall Islands Climate Change Envoy; Mr. Broderick Menke, Republic of Marshall Islands National Adaptation Plan Coordinator</p>
<p>3.00pm – 3.50pm</p> <p>(5 Dec)</p>	<p>Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme (SPREP)</p> <p>Contact: Filomena Nelson Climate Change Adaptation Adviser SPREP E: filomenan@sprep.org</p>	<p>Loss and Damage- Sharing the lived experience of Pacific Islanders</p> <p>About: An exploration of the Loss and Damage impact felt by Pacific communities and the political significance of the L&D for PSIDS.</p> <p>The primary goal of this side event is to raise awareness on Loss and Damage (L&D), including Non-Economic Loss and Damage (NELD) through the centring of Pacific lived experiences. All PSIDS communities have stories of Loss and Damage. This side event will provide a stage for Pacific presenters to represent their countries and voice these stories</p>

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		<p>to engage COP attendees in grounded conversations about the importance of L&D. This side event aims to highlight the injustice of climate loss and damage emphasising the need for action. This side event also aims to highlight the Pacific's continued determination to fight for limiting global warming to no more than 1.5 by linking the importance of recognising L&D with the accomplishment of the 1.5 goal.</p> <p>Panel: Kiribati Minister; Niue representative; Fiji representative; and Tuvalu Youth representative.</p>
<p>4.00pm – 4.50pm</p> <p>(5 Dec)</p>	<p>Coalition of Low-Lying Atoll Nations on Climate Change (CANCC)</p> <p>Contact: Andrea Muller Advisor Republic of the Marshall Islands as Chair of the CANCC E: kuuj.muller@gmail.com</p>	<p>Leveraging adaptation finance for Atoll Nations- Gaps, Needs, Solutions. An event of the Coalition of Atoll Nations on Climate Change</p> <p>About: The side event will be an opportunity for the CANCC to showcase the efforts of atoll nations, highlight their particular vulnerabilities, and to announce the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding between its members which will strengthen the foundation of the coalition.</p> <p>The general objective is to bring together high-level delegates from the CANCC member states to highlight the unique vulnerabilities of Atoll nations and the shared efforts to address these, present new developments and priorities of the CANCC, and discuss opportunities for collaboration.</p> <p>Panel: High Level Representatives of RMI, Kiribati, Tuvalu, Tokelau and Maldives, possibly an ADB Representative.</p>
<p>5.00pm – 5.50pm</p> <p>(5 Dec)</p>	<p>Government of Kiribati</p> <p>Contact: Takena Redfern Ag. Director Climate Change & Disaster Risk Management Division/National Disaster Risk Management Officer Office of Te Beretitenti (President) Kiribati. E: takena@ob.gov.ki</p>	<p>Empowering Kiribati visions and plans on climate resilient and sustainable water and sanitation infrastructure and services.</p> <p>About: This side event is initiated to increased awareness about Kiribati Government strides for enhancing water and sanitation system towards adaptation, sustainability and resiliency in the face of climate changes. It will demonstrate issues and challenges to achieving a safe and quality water and sanitation services for all. The panel discussion will share the current progress of the on-going water supply and sanitation projects with the focus on sharing successes, challenges and gaps, lessons learned and opportunities for the scale up of climate resilient water and sanitation infrastructure and services in the coming near term.</p> <p>Panel: HE Taneti Maamau, Presenters from MISE & OB, ADB, and WB</p>

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9.00am – 9.50am (6 Dec)	United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UNESCAP) Contact: Patrick MARTIN (PhD) Regional Advisor on Green Finance Macroeconomic Policy and Financing for Development Division Financing for Development Section UNESCAP E: patrick.martin@un.org	A Nexus Approach to Finance, Biodiversity and Climate About: The session will examine the interplay of the various financial instruments and mechanisms to address climate change and biodiversity. In recent years, various financial tools and mechanisms have emerged to tackle the challenges of climate change and biodiversity loss. These include carbon markets, green bonds, and debt-for-nature swaps. However, there needs to be more discussion of how these instruments intersect. A nexus approach could uncover synergies and identify trade-offs by analysing the interactions among multiple sectors. A nexus approach has the potential to effectively address these complex environmental challenges by considering their interrelated nature and promoting integrated management and governance and reducing unintended consequences for countries. Panel: Karlos Lee Moresi, Team Leader Climate Change and Resilience, Pacific Islands Forum; Jane Hutchinson, Co-CEO, Pollination Foundation; Avinash Persaud, Special Envoy to the Prime Minister of Barbados on Investment and Financial Services; Government Representatives (tbc) Moderator: Patrick Martin, Regional Advisor on Green Finance Macroeconomic Policy and Financing for Development Division Financing for Development Section, UNESCAP
10.00am – 10.50am (6 Dec)	Government of Samoa Contact: Elisapeta Areta Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment, Samoa E: elisapeta.aretam@mnre.gov.ws	Samoa Youth Side event About: This will highlight the impacts of climate change on youth in Samoa. Panel: (tbc)
11.00am – 11.50am (6 Dec)	Adaptation Fund Contact: Vladislav Arnaoudov Coordinator, Secretariat of the Technical Evaluation Reference Group of the Adaptation Fund (AF-TERG) / Senior Evaluation Officer E: varnaoudov@adaptation-fund.org	Learnings from Adaptation Activities in the Pacific Islands About: A joint event where the evaluation units of the Green Climate Fund (GCF), Global Environmental Facility (GEF), Climate Investment Funds (CIFs) and Adaptation Fund (AF) will talk about challenges and learnings from adaptation work in Pacific Island states that emerged from recent evaluations by the four funds and how these learnings can be used as inputs for future programming activities. Accredited entities and implementing entities from the Pacific region will also be invited to share their experiences. Panel: Andreas Reumann (GCF), Neeraj Kumar Negi (GEF), Neha Sharma (CIFs), Debbie Menezes (AF), representatives of

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		Cook Island Ministry of Finance and Economic Management (tbc), SPREP (tbc)
12.00pm – 12.50pm (6 Dec)	Government of Vanuatu Contact: Kemson Tavdey Regional Cooperation Coordinator & Global Climate Diplomacy Coordinator E: ktavdey07@gmail.com	Port Vila Call to Action for a Just Transition to a Fossil Fuel Free Pacific About: The Port Vila Call to Action provides a clear framework for steps needed to enable a just transition in the Pacific, and the role of the international community both in phasing out fossil fuels first and fastest to prevent further devastating climate impacts, and providing the finance and support needed for the transition. This side event proposes to share progress on our most ambitious climate commitments to date – a fossil fuel free Pacific by 2050. Our panelists will first detail the Pacific’s plans to implement 21 concrete actions to facilitate a just and equitable transition away from fossil fuels and highlight where the international community can get involved to build support towards getting the right resources to see these actions become a reality, as well as transition the adoption of these ambitions beyond the Pacific region. One of the key actions under Port Vila Call for a Just Transition to a Fossil Fuel Free Pacific is the support for the development of a new international instrument which will ensure a) Non Proliferation and an end the expansion of coal, oil and gas production b) a fair phase-out of fossil fuel production, with historical emitters moving fastest and providing support to others and c) a Just Transition which fast tracks the adoption of clean energy and economic diversification away from fossil fuels so that no one is left behind. Panel: (tbc)
1.00pm – 1.50pm (6 Dec)	Pacific Islands Forum Contact: Atishma Lal Programme Officer – Climate Resilience Engagement & Coordination Pacific Islands Forum E: atishmal@forumsec.org	Loss and Damage Financing in the Pacific Region About: A panel discussion on Loss and Damage financing in the Pacific including a high-level launch of a joint PIF/UNDP L&D Policy Brief with the Pacific High-Level Champion for Loss and Damage. The Pacific Island Forum in partnership with the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) Pacific Office have recently released the briefing paper Policy Primer on Loss and Damage Considerations for Pacific Island Countries. Loss and Damage (L&D) is a critical issue for the region, and through the UNFCCC negotiations, Pacific SIDS want to ensure that the L&D Fund meets the needs of the PSIDS including the compounding economic and non-economic impacts of climate change related L&D. However, many key stakeholders and decision-makers within Pacific Governments and related agencies are not fully across the complexities of the operationalization of the Fund as meetings of the Transitional Committee throughout 2023 and negotiations advance to firm up its governing body. The policy

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		<p>brief provides guidance to the Pacific region on the current status of L&D financing and the contextual nuances of this issue for Pacific Island Countries and Territories. It is therefore vital to promote engagement with and usage of the findings and recommendations of this policy brief amongst stakeholders and practitioners to create awareness, build capacity and disseminate knowledge on the critical issue of L&D for the Pacific region.</p> <p>The event will conclude with the launch of the Policy Primer on Loss and Damage Considerations for Pacific Island Countries, with high-level representatives from UNDP, PIF and the Pacific High-Level Champion for Loss and Damage (Vanuatu)</p> <p>Panel: Mr. Karlos Lee Moresi, Team Leader Climate Change and Resilience, Pacific Islands Forum; The Government of Germany, Transitional Committee member/ Global Shield Initiative, Loss and damage fund (tbc); Ms. Kathy Jetnil-Kijiner, Climate Activist and L&D advocate, the Republic of the Marshall Islands(tbc); and Ms. Eslie Garaebiti, Director General, Ministry of Climate, Vanuatu (tbc).</p> <p>Moderator: Dr. Melanie Pill, Research Fellow Climate Change, Indo-Pacific Development Centre, Lowy Institute</p>
<p>2.00pm – 2.50pm</p> <p>(6 Dec)</p>	<p>Government of Vanuatu</p> <p>Contact: Leana William Multilateral Environmental Agreement Officer NAB Secretariat, Ministry of Climate Change E: lwilliam@vanuatu.gov.vu</p>	<p>Building a resilient Vanuatu “Supporting the Implementation of Vanuatu’s Enhanced NDC”</p> <p>About: The main objectives of the side event are to: showcase and highlight the unique components of the new and enhanced NDC document; provide a platform for cross-sectoral interventions on the implementation of the NDC in Vanuatu; and discuss challenges for the implementation of the Enhanced NDC and possible options to address these challenges.</p> <p>Panel: Mrs Eslie Garaebiti, Director General, Ministry of Climate Change Adaptation, Vanuatu; Mr Mike Sam Waiwai, Director, Department of Climate Change, Vanuatu; Mr Anthony Garae, Director, Department of Energy, Vanuatu; Mr Erickson Sammy, Director, Department of Water Resources, Vanuatu; and Director, Department of Finance, Vanuatu.</p>
<p>3.00pm – 3.50pm</p> <p>(6 Dec)</p>	<p>Government of Vanuatu</p> <p>Contact: Moirah Matou Project Manager, VanKIRAP VMGD E: mmatou@vanuatu.gov.vu</p>	<p>Building technical capacity in Vanuatu to harness and manage climate data and deliver tailored climate information and tools to all sectors Water, Tourism, Fisheries for decision making</p> <p>About: The side event is to show case all tailored climate information services and tools provided to Water, Tourism and Fisheries through VanKIRAP project.</p> <p>This side event is to showcase how climate data is managed and tailoring of Climate services to the sectors in Vanuatu. VMGD houses more than a million record of historical climate data records on the CliDE database. The latest 30 years of data record provided to delivery partners APCC, CSIRO and BoM to</p>

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		<p>research and develop climate service tools for the sectors. For Tourism and Fisheries sector, monthly tailored climate bulletins are provided the Tourism investors to better plan tourism activities and save their assets during climate disasters, and similarly for fishing activities. Through CSIRO the climate futures portal provides guidance to Tourism investors to reduce the risk to climate disasters, when planning to make long term investment in the tourism industry in Vanuatu. Similarly for Fisheries future predictions of coral bleaching and sea level rise is also available.</p> <p>For Water Sector, ground water monitoring devises such as the Automatic River gauges (AriG) are installed for closer monitoring of river catchment area at the Sarakata river catchment area in Santo. All data received are provided in Realtime and directly linked to VMGD. The information is communicated to the NDMO cluster groups to inform communities of any flooding and precaution for the community. Information received by VMGD from the AriG is communicated to communities within the catchment area should there be a risk of flooding in the area.</p> <p>Panel: Representatives from MoCC, VFD, DoWR, VMGD, DoT</p>
<p>4.00pm – 4.50pm</p> <p>(6 Dec)</p>	<p>Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme (SPREP)</p> <p>Contact: Bradley Nolan PacWastePlus Programme Manager SPREP E: bradley@sprep.org</p>	<p>The treaty to End Plastic Pollution and its links to the Global Climate Targets</p> <p>About: In March 2022, at the resumed fifth session of the UN Environment Assembly (UNEA-5.2), a historic resolution was adopted to develop an international legally binding instrument on plastic pollution, including in the marine environment. 99% of global plastic production is made with fossil fuels plastic waste is just another form of pollution from the fossil fuel industry along with significant greenhouse gas emissions. The plastic pollution crisis is a climate crisis for our ocean and coastal communities. Already, plastics are responsible for 3-4% of global greenhouse gas emissions; if they continue to grow, this will triple by 2050. Further, microplastics tiny plastic particles and fibres can harm bacteria and plankton in the ocean. These organisms are essential for absorbing CO2 from the atmosphere and are a big reason why the ocean has effectively moderated Earth's climate throughout history. Unless we reduce plastics, we not only produce more emissions, but we also damage the natural systems that are helping to slow climate change combination that will spell disaster for global efforts to limit climate change to liveable levels that will keep our ocean and communities healthy. This side event will explore the opportunity to use the Plastics treaty to deliver climate outcomes.</p> <p>Panel: Presenters from Director WMPC SPREP, CIEL (tbc), EIA (tbc), and Scientists Coalition (tbc).</p>
<p>4.00pm – 4.50pm</p>	<p>Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme (SPREP)</p>	<p>Empowering Youth for wetland conservation to address climate change in the Pacific</p>

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(6 Dec)	<p>Contact: Juney Ward Biodiversity Officer SPREP E: juneyw@sprep.org</p>	<p>About: The Pacific island region has diverse wetlands, such as mangroves, salt marshes, coral reefs and seagrass beds that are important for local fisheries, cultural uses and carbon cycling. However, threats such as land-use change and climate change have led to wetlands being destroyed or deteriorating in the Pacific.</p> <p>This event aims to feature and showcase the importance of wetlands and efforts to conserve and restore wetlands to address the needs and values of Pacific communities in addressing climate change. It will also provide an opportunity to strengthen the partnership and joint collaboration between the Ramsar Secretariat and SPREP through the various initiatives and programmes.</p> <p>Panel: Ramsar Secretary-General, SPREP Director General and Ramsar Parties from the Pacific.</p>
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COP28 THEME: YOUTH, CHILDREN, EDUCATION AND SKILLS		
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9.00am – 9.50am	Government of Vanuatu Contacts:	Harnessing Climate Information Services: The Success Story of OSCAR system and Agromet Bulletins

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<p>(8 Dec)</p>	<p>Leana William Multilateral Environmental Agreement Officer NAB Secretariat Ministry of Climate Change E: lwilliam@vanuatu.gov.vu</p>	<p>About: Building Resilient Agricultural Communities through Effective Climate Information Services; Empowering Farmers throughout the decentralized Climate Information Services for Sustainable Delivery; exploring transformative power of cutting-edge technologies in enhancing decision support systems.</p> <p>Vanuatu Klaemet Infomesen blong Redy, Adapt mo Protekt (Van-KIRAP) in Bislama) project has two implementing entities: Secretariat of the Pacific Environment Program (SPREP) and Geo-Hazard Department (VMGD) and three delivery partners: APEC Climate Center (APCC), Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization (CSIRO) and Australia Bureau of Meteorology are collaboratively conducted the Van-KIRAP project.</p> <p>In the Van-KIRAP project, the major activities of APCC consist of (1) Develop Agro met information portal including new on line IT infrastructure and software (OSCAR prototype), (2) Collecting, modelling, analysis and reporting of agro-met data to determine optimal agriculture crop planning options, (3) Undertaking field trials and validation prior to incorporation into DSS delivery platforms, ground truthing and outreach with target Next/End Users, and (4) Develop the crop-climate diary (CCD) customised for agro-met data collection.</p> <p>In this side event, we will introduce the APCC portion of the Van-KIRAP project. We will highlight the tailored agro-meteorological predictions for the target cropping system known as OSCAR, as well as the Agromet Bulletins that are produced by OSCAR. These resources are crucial for decision-making processes for farmers, providing them with valuable climate information applied specifically to the agriculture sector. Additionally, we will discuss the establishment of a sustainable CIS delivery chain, which will serve as a platform for the interaction between climate information and agriculture. OSCAR will act as a central hub, facilitating the exchange of information and promoting collaboration between the two domains.</p> <p>Panel: Female farmer, Agricultural coordinator (DARD), Sunny Seuseu (SPREP), Moirah Matou (VMGD), JongAhn Chun (APCC).</p>
<p>10.00am - 10.50am</p> <p>(8 Dec)</p>	<p>Government of Samoa</p> <p>Contact: Elisapeta Areta Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment E: elisapeta.aretam@mnre.gov.ws</p>	<p>National Feasibility Assessment of Samoa’s Blue and Green Carbon Stocks</p> <p>About: The side event will provide an avenue to present the findings of the national assessment and inviting for similar experiences across the region to be shared as well as leveraging for potential partnerships to implement recommendations from the assessment.</p> <p>The national assessment is the first of its kind to be implemented in Samoa using state of the art technology and expertise from a world-renowned team of scientists and</p>

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		<p>developers specializing in artificial intelligence, cloud-based systems and green technology. The aim of the assessment is to unlock Samoa's potential green and blue carbon stock as well as brown (soil) if funding permits. The assessment will include a Geospatial analysis to map out carbon stocks, quantification of vegetation health and creation of a topographical map of Samoa's ecosystems; a look at relevant carbon methodologies in line with the voluntary market and Article 6; Social methodology considerations for creating jobs, upskilling environmental services, facilitating social impact and community engagement; financial market analysis; and legal consideration on appropriate methods and implications of selling carbon credits. The side event will provide a platform to present the findings of the assessment.</p> <p>Panel: Hon. Minister Toeolesulusulu Cedric Pose Salesa Schuster; Saurav J Bansal, CEO GAIT; CEO MNRE; Assistant CEO Forestry; and Assistant CEO Environment and Conservation.</p>
<p>11.00am – 11.50am</p> <p>(8 Dec)</p>	<p>Government of Samoa</p> <p>Contact: Elisapeta Areta Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment E: elisapeta.aretam@mnre.gov.ws</p>	<p>Samoa's Third National Communication Report and Presentation of the first Biennial Update Report</p> <p>About: This side event will highlight: Samoa's journey to transition to low-carbon island; Official launching of Samoa's First Biennial Update Report; and National 3 Million Tree Planting Campaign.</p> <p>Panel: (tbc)</p>
<p>12.00pm - 12.50pm</p> <p>(8 Dec)</p>	<p>Fiji Government</p> <p>Contact: Prashant Chandra Manager Climate Change Division Office of the Prime Minister E: rashant.chandra01@pmoffice.gov.fj</p>	<p>The role of Public Development Banks (PDBs) in facilitating enhanced access to climate finance</p> <p>About: Highlighting the role of Public Development Banks (PDBs) in facilitating enhanced access to climate finance to support and implement national climate change development priorities, that will be anchored by the experiences of the Fiji Development Bank (FDB), and from other Pacific PDBs and multilateral finance institutions (MFIs) such as the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and Asian Development Bank (ADB).</p> <p>There are approximately 450 PDBs globally working at subnational, national, regional, international, and multilateral levels. Collectively they disburse around USD2 trillion annually, which is 10% of the total amount invested in the world every year by all public and private sources combined. Globally, PDBs have the potential to extend more than USD400 billion in climate finance per year. Virtually every country in the Pacific has at least one PDB, yet few of these have been active in facilitating access to climate finance in the region. One notable exception is FDB, which has gained accreditation to the Green Climate Fund (GCF), and which has so far secured approval for one GCF-funded project. It is</p>

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		<p>anticipated that in the future FDB, will expand its efforts to access GCF and other climate financing mechanisms and will build its own capacity to leverage public resources to crowd in private sector investment through blended finance projects. FDB experience with climate finance demonstrates important lessons learned, and there is significant potential for the FDB example to guide other PDBs in the Pacific as they aspire to GCF accreditation, and to expand the availability of public and private sector financing for climate adaptation.</p> <p>Panel: FDB representative (Setaita Tamanikaiyaroi); panelists from Pacific PDBs; panelists from Pacific-facing MFIs; and panelist from the Green Climate Fund.</p> <p>Moderator: Dr. Keith Bettinger, DT Global Climate Specialist</p>
<p>1.00pm – 1.50pm</p> <p>(8 Dec)</p>	<p>Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme (SPREP)</p> <p>Contact(s): Semi Qamese E: semiq@sprep.org</p> <p>Sione Fulivai E: sionef@sprep.org</p>	<p>Innovative approaches for leveraging Climate Finance</p> <p>About: Pacific Island Countries (PICs) are considered to be at the forefront of climate change and natural disasters. They consistently rank among the top ten most vulnerable countries in the world. These countries face challenges in terms of geographical isolation, limited access to financing, and a small pool of local expertise to tackle climate change impacts and disasters. However, over the past decade, there have been efforts to address these constraints with access to climate finance considered a high priority.</p> <p>This event will highlight the respective initiatives and approaches developed or adopted by Pacific governments and resilience practitioners their endeavours to achieve enhanced levels of efficiency and effectivity in accessing, managing, and disbursing climate finance through the development of innovative mechanisms, methodologies, products, and tools.</p> <p>Panel: Ms. Salome Tukuafu: SPREP Project Coordination Unit (tbc); Ms. Krystina Tatuava: Cook Islands: National DAE to GCF; Ms. Lu'isa Tu'i'afitu Malolo: Tonga National Climate Change Fund; and Ms. Laetitia De Marez: Rocky Mountain Institute: CFAN-Climate Finance Access Network (tbc)</p> <p>Moderator: Mr. Semi Qamese: SPREP GCCA+ PACRES Project</p>
<p>2.00pm - 2.50pm</p> <p>(8 Dec)</p>	<p>Partnership: Government of the Republic of the Marshall Islands/International Organization for Migration (IOM)</p> <p>Contacts: Angela Saunders</p>	<p>Promoting self-determination for National Adaptation Plans: Leading the way in Marshall Islands</p> <p>About: The event will share good practices from the Republic of the Marshall Islands to ensure that drafting of National Adaptation Plans are developed with self-determination as a guiding principle; this is accomplished through effective and wide-reaching community consultations ensuring social inclusion of women, youth, persons with disabilities and other vulnerable populations.</p>

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	<p>Head of Sub Office Marshall Islands International Organization for Migration E: aksaunders@iom.int</p>	<p>The RMI NAP is developed under the principles of self-determination and is our survival plan, our future which put community consultations at the forefront of the NAP development. Extensive community consultations lead by all Marshallese researchers took place across 15 atoll/islands (more the 50% of the local government jurisdictions), reaching urban, semi-urban and rural communities spanning over 120 days in the field. The RMI NAP community consultations utilized a variety of qualitative and quantitative methods, including locally designed methods, to ensure maximum community engagement and holistic community input. According to experts, these community consultations that were conducted for the RMI NAP have set a new standard in consultation for adaptation plans in Small Island Developing States, and arguably globally.</p> <p>Aligned with the RMI principles of self-determination, the side event aims to highlight effective practices from the RMI in community consultations for NAPs. The side event will focus on the progress achieved till date on how effective community consultation can inform NAPs, showcasing the need to put community voices at the forefront; developing action points in NAPs to enhance community voices to future policy decisions and community-based solutions; and sharing lessons learned from these processes.</p> <p>Panel (tbc): Climate Envoy, Kathy Jetnil-Kijiner; Director Clarence Samuel, Climate Change Directorate; Jobod Silk, JoJikum NGO (Youth); Yoshiko Yamaguchi, researcher</p>
<p>3.00pm - 3.50pm (8 Dec)</p>	<p>Government of Solomon Islands</p> <p>National Partners: Ministry of Environment, Climate Change, Disaster Management and Meteorology; Ministry of Finance; Ministry of Mines, Energy and Rural Electrification; and Ministry of Fisheries and Marine Resources; and Tina River Hydropower Development Project.</p> <p>Contact: Sarina Laurence Communication Advisor Tina River Hydropower Development Project E: sarina@tina-hydro.com</p>	<p>Enhancing Intactness: A New Approach to Adaptation</p> <p>About: This side event will showcase the success and impact of the different Solomon Islands projects as examples of innovative climate adaptation instances at nested scales from the local to the national. These will include the catchment level protection approach for the upper catchment of the Tina River, which hosts the Tina Hydropower Development Project, as well as the national scale Sky Islands Pledge which has seen the protection of more than 21% of Solomon forests from round logging. These approaches are united by the common theme of intactness, whereby climate adaptation success is founded on continued intactness of customary land and indigenous lifeways practiced within customary land spaces. These projects are highlighted as a model for sustainable and climate-friendly energy generation for a developing nation with the support of our Pacific neighbours, lenders and partners.</p> <p>It will also highlight the national adaptation potential of the Bina Harbour development as a multifaceted response to the climate crisis, through its enhanced value addition to the shifting tuna resource, and through its contribution of</p>

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		<p>comprehensive climate resilience to the national transport network of the country.</p> <p>The side event plans to introduce a new funding platform called Financing Adaptation Through Enhanced Intactness (FATEI) which Solomon Islands government will be using to mobilise adaptation finance around the common themes of biophysical, cultural and socioeconomic intactness. with a focus on scalability and replicability.</p> <p>The aim is to creating partnerships and collaborations with organisations, governments, and investors interested in promoting Tina, Sky Islands and Bina as examples of climate adaptation and sustainable development projects worldwide.</p> <p>It also seeks to demonstrate the success of a Public Private Partnership Financing arrangement and showcasing how a well-established structure can mobilise international financing for a developing country.</p> <p>Panel: Dr Melchior Mataki, Permanent Sectary Ministry of Environment, Climate Change, Disaster and Meteorology (MECDM); Tina River Hydropower Development: (Fred Conning); Sky Islands (Lysa Wini); Bina Harbour Development Project (Lisa Sugumanu, Assistant Secretary Project Management, MFMR); and Climate Finance, Ministry of Finance (Tobais Bule).</p>
<p>4.00pm – 4.50pm (8 Dec)</p>	<p>Partnership: Organisation of African, Caribbean and Pacific States (OACPS), Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission of UNESCO (IOC), Caribbean Institute for Meteorology and Hydrology (CIMH), Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme (SPREP)</p> <p>Contact: Dr Nsadisa Faka, Team Leader ClimSA Programme E: nsadisa.faka@acp.int</p>	<p>Intra-ACP ClimSA Event</p> <p>About: South – South cooperation within and between OACPS’ SIDS - Building capacity to provide climate services and related applications for climate adaptation action.</p> <p>OACPS’ Regional Climate Centres (RCCs) for African Caribbean and Pacific SIDS will share and exchange experiences in the application of climate services in specific socio-economic sectors, intended to unlock the adaptive potential of ACP regions for fostering climate action that achieves sustainability and builds resilience.</p> <p>Panel: David Farrell /Adrian Trotman (Caribbean), Terry Atalifo (Pacific), Gina Bonne (IOC), Nsadisa Faka (OACPS)</p>
<p>5.30pm - 7.00pm (8 Dec)</p>	<p>Government of Vanuatu</p> <p>Contact: Dr Christopher Bartlett Climate Diplomacy Manager Government of Vanuatu E: pacificislandclimatechange@gmail.com</p>	<p>Climate and Development Ministerial Coalition of Ambition on Adaptation Finance Launch Event</p> <p>About: This high-level 2023 Climate and Development Ministerial event will bring together ministers and heads of financial institutions championing new solutions for enhanced access and delivery of adaptation finance to outline their commitment to a shared Vision and a series of Priority Actions.</p> <p>Vanuatu, along with the UAE, UK and Malawi, are co-hosting the 2023 Climate and Development Ministerial (C&DM)</p>

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		<p>process. It involves approximately 30 countries and international institutions committing to a Vision as well as specific actions to improve the delivery of, and access to, adaptation finance for the countries most affected by climate change. As well as Vanuatu as a co-host of this process, led by Minister Regenvanu, Samoa (as AOSIS Chair) and Australia, Tuvalu, and New Zealand are among the countries involved in the process. The ministerial event at COP28 will showcase the outcome of the C&DM (bringing together ministers and heads of financial institutions to outline their commitment to a shared Vision and a series of Priority Actions) as well as create an opportunity for additional champion countries and institutions to sign on. Keeping the spotlight on adaptation finance at COP28 will be essential for an effective outcome that delivers on the needs of climate vulnerable countries such as SIDS and LDCs.</p> <p>Panel: Co-hosts of the C&DM: the UAE, Vanuatu, Malawi, and the UK.</p>
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SATURDAY 9 DECEMBER 2023

COP28 THEME: NATURE, LAND USE, AND OCEANS		
TIME (DUBAI)	ORGANISERS AND PARTNERS	EVENT
10.00am – 10.50am (9 Dec)	Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme (SPREP) Contacts: Salome Tukuafu Project Development and Implementation Officer PCU, SPREP E: salomet@sprep.org	Access to Climate Finance : Demand and Supply Side Challenges for PSIDS About: This event responds to increased calls for more accessible and efficient Climate Finance for PSIDS, by highlighting barriers from both the supply and demand side; as well as some of the developments in climate finance responding to the unique contexts of small islands developing states. Through open discussion, the distinguished panel of experts will highlight proposed solutions to some of the most critical challenges faced by PSIDS in accessing Climate Finance. Panel: Hon. Seve Paeniu, Minister of Finance and Economic Development - Tuvalu; Hon. Ralph Regenvanu, Minister of Climate Change Adaptation, Meteorology and Geo-Hazards, Energy, Environment and Disaster Management. – Vanuatu; Ms. Carolina Fuentes, Director of Country Programming – Green Climate Fund; Dr. Cate Rogers, Assistant Secretary Climate Resilience and Finance Branch – Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade Australia; and Ms. Filomena Nelson, Climate Change Adaptation Adviser – SPREP.
12.00pm – 12.50pm	Government of Niue	Niue and Ocean Wide (NOW) Trust and Ocean Conservation Commitments

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<p>(9 Dec)</p>	<p>Partnership: Government of Niue and Niue and Ocean Wide (NOW) Trust</p> <p>Contact:</p> <p>Avi Rubin Vice President Tofia Niue E: avirubin2001@yahoo.com namhopotoa@gmail.com coralp@spc.int josie.tamate@gmail.com</p>	<p>About: The Side Event will present the NOW Trust and Ocean Conservation Commitments (OCCs) as an innovative Sustainable Funding Mechanism for ocean protection that includes climate action.</p> <p>Niue recently launched its NOW Trust and Ocean Conservation Commitments (OCCs), as the sustainable financing mechanism that will support a climate resilient sustainable blue economy that is reinforcing of ocean protection in perpetuity. This builds on Niue's commitment of 40% of its EEZ as a Large Scale MPA - Niue Moana Mahu and 100% of its EEZ and Territorial waters under Marine Spatial Management Plan.. The Trust is now formally established under NZ law and capitalisation of the Trust through donations and the sponsorship of OCCs is available through www.niueoceanwide.com and has secured much interest globally. COP28 offers Niue an opportunity to amplify this work, secure partnerships and contributions and share lessons with other SIDS and interested stakeholders. Niue contributes to UNFCCC and its objective through NOW and OCC's and sees potential for this model to be considered under Article 6.8 of the Paris Agreement to solicit climate finance in a much more SIDS compatible way. The side-event will provide update and lessons learnt for UPSCALING and REPLICATING the model/strategy. Lessons learnt is a critical part of the side event including awareness of alternative non-market mechanisms especially climate financing.</p> <p>Panel: Premier of Niue - Hon Dalton Tagelagi; Pacific Champion for Climate Change on Gender and Inclusion Hon Esa-Sharon Mona AINU'U; NOW representative; and partner representative.</p>
<p>1.00pm – 1.50pm</p> <p>(9 Dec)</p>	<p>Partnership: Waan Aelon in Majel, NEO, GIZ</p> <p>Contact:</p> <p>Alson Kelen Executive Director Waan Aelon in Majel, INC E: associate@canoesmarshallislands.com</p>	<p>Voyage of Resilience: WAM's Sustainable Maritime Solutions in the Pacific</p> <p>About: The side event at COP 28 by WAM, GIZ, and NEO highlights its contributions to reducing CO2 emissions or maritime transport, empowering communities through canoe-building training, and showcasing indigenous knowledge in climate adaptation while fostering sustainability and resilience in the Pacific region.</p> <p>The side event will spotlight WAM's vital role in reducing CO2 emissions in the RMI's maritime sector. It will emphasize how WAM, along with partners such as NEO and GIZ, empowers communities through traditional and contemporary canoe-building training, showcasing its effectiveness in fostering sustainability and self-reliance. This aligns with COP 28's climate action ambitions by demonstrating low-carbon propulsion technologies (wind-propulsion, electric engines).</p>

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		<p>The event will give voice to Pacific communities, celebrating their unique cultures and traditions, especially canoe building. This highlights the integration of indigenous knowledge in climate adaptation while showcasing community resilience.</p> <p>The side event contributes to community resilience by showcasing initiatives for constructing and building capacity in sailing canoes for passenger and cargo transport (e.g., copra). This reduces GHG emissions and provides an eco-friendly alternative to motorized boats, aiding climate change adaptation amid rising sea levels and extreme weather.</p> <p>Addressing loss and damage, the event sheds light on climate change's real-world consequences, with a focus on the Marshall Islands and the wider Pacific region. WAM's role in mitigating these impacts through sustainable transport solutions will be a central theme.</p> <p>Overall, this event serves as a catalyst for knowledge exchange, collaboration, and global awareness, aligning with COP 28's goals of advancing a low-carbon and climate-resilient world.</p> <p>Panel: Alson Kelen - Executive Director of Waan Aelon in Majel, INC, Chairman for Marshall Islands Council of NGOs and Chairman for Marshall Islands Nuclear Commission of the Republic of the Marshall Islands; and Angeline Heine-Reimers - Executive Director for National Energy Office of the Republic of the Marshall Islands.</p>
<p>2.00pm – 2.50pm (9 Dec)</p>	<p>Partnership: Government of Tonga and the Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme (SPREP)</p> <p>Contacts: Ofa Fa'anunu Director of Meteorology and Coast Watch Services Tonga Meteorological Services E: ofaf@met.gov.to</p> <p>Salesa Nihmei Meteorology & Climate Adviser Climate Change Resilience SPREP E: salesan@sprep.org</p>	<p>Coordinated Approach to addressing People-Centred End-to-end Multi-Hazard Early Warning Systems in the Pacific: Weather Ready Pacific - A solution for the Pacific</p> <p>About: Extreme events due to Weather and Climate accounts for 80% of the natural disasters in the Pacific. The IPCC projects that they will increase under climate change. While the Pacific is one of the most vulnerable areas in the world, approaches to addressing EWS are based on short term projects, implemented in silos using technologies that are not often compatible. Projects also do not often address the information flow through the value-chain from production right down to communities. The Weather Ready Pacific is established by the Pacific Meteorological Council as such a program to bring this long-term coordinate support to the region to address a People-Centered End-to-end Multi-Hazard Early Warning Systems.</p> <p>This is a high-level side event to discuss Weather Ready Pacific (WRP) Programme. This is a Pacific-led initiative by the Pacific Meteorological Council (PMC) that was endorsed by Pacific Leaders in 2021. In 2023, Australia</p>

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		<p>provided the initial investment of AUD30million to support, and kick start the initiative. At the sixth meeting of the PMC in August 2023, members agreed in principle on the governance and finance arrangements as well as unanimously endorse for the WRP to be established as the long-term Programme rather than just a 10-year programme to coordinate the wider implementation of people-centred end-to-end multi-hazard early warning systems for all Pacific island countries and territories.</p> <p>The Talanoa Session will focus on Pacific Partnership for Prosperity in a climate changed world, donor coordination to support Pacific-led initiatives for a resilient blue Pacific, and the importance of the initiative for Pacific Island countries and territories in a climate changed world.</p> <p>To address critical gaps, the Weather Ready Pacific Programme was developed to enable Pacific island countries and territories to better anticipate and respond to high impact and extreme weather, hydrological, climate, oceanic and other related environmental events and their associated risks. In particular, empowering Pacific NMHSs to engage credibly with the communities, customers, partners and stakeholders contributes to more informed local and regional decision making, potentially saving lives and livelihoods. Further, enhancing capability builds a stronger platform for the region to manage the impacts of climate change and equipping countries with valuable information to inform adaptation and resilience strategies.</p> <p>Panel: High Level delegates from the Cook Islands (PIFS Chair), representative from Tonga, DG SPREP, DFAT Australia and MFAT New Zealand, and CCR Director, SPREP.</p>
<p>3.00pm – 3.50pm</p> <p>(9 Dec)</p>	<p>Partnership: Government of Palau and Sasakawa Peace Foundation</p> <p>Contact: Masanori Kobayashi Senior Research Fellow Ocean Policy Research Institute The Sasakawa Peace Foundation Tokyo, Japan E: m-kobayashi@spf.or.jp Whatsapp: 81-80-5508-4685</p>	<p>Financing adaptation to climate change for sustainable blue economies in Pacific island countries</p> <p>About: Climate change has been causing seawater temperature warming, intensified rainstorms, frequented drought, increased wind and wave velocity, coastal erosion and coral reef bleaching and entails related phenomena such as ocean acidification. These climatic, marine and biophysical changes adversely affect fisheries, aquaculture, tourism and maritime transport that are important components of economies and livelihood in Pacific island countries. Financing adaptation is one of the key enabling policies. However, due to the limited economy of scale and financial sector in the Pacific island countries, the current financing schemes do not necessarily provide conditions conducive to facilitating the financing of adaptation projects in sustainable blue economy sector in the Pacific island countries. Regional</p>

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		<p>cooperation and international partnership are important to bolster efforts to promote interdisciplinary baseline assessment, project development, blended financing, human resource and capacity development.</p> <p>This side event is intended to support candid policy dialogues as to how best the government leaders, stakeholders and regional and international organization representatives to collaborate in creating the modalities that will support effective adaptation activities for sustainable blue economies in Pacific island countries.</p> <p>Panel (tbc): H.E. Steven Victor, Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries, and the Environment, Republic of Palau; H.E. Lord Fohe, Minister of Fisheries, Agriculture, Forestry and Food, Kingdom of Tonga; H.E. Andrew R. Yatilman, Secretary, Department of Environment, Climate Change & Emergency Management; Mr. Esrom Immanuel, Assistant Minister for Finance, Republic of Fiji; Mr Sefanaia Nawadra, Director-General, Pacific Regional Environment Programme (SPREP); Dr. Filimon Manoni, Pacific Oceans Commissioner; Mafalda Duarte, Executive Director, Green Climate Fund; and Dr. Hide Sakaguchi, President, Ocean Policy Research Institute of the Sasakawa Peace Foundation.</p> <p>Moderator: Mr. Masanori Kobayashi, Senior Research Fellow, Ocean Policy Research Institute of the Sasakawa Peace Foundation</p>
<p>4.00pm – 4.50pm</p> <p>(9 Dec)</p>	<p>Peace Boat</p> <p>Contact: Karen Hallows International Coordinator Peace Boat E: karen@ecoship-pb.com</p>	<p>Capacity Building and Connections: Amplifying Youth Voices for Climate Ambition</p> <p>About: Discussion amongst youth working for climate ambition and climate adaptation with a focus on the value of capacity building, networks and peer to peer exchange across the Pacific, as well as from other large ocean states.</p> <p>The event will demonstrate ways in which youth are leading the drive for greater climate ambition and climate adaptation. It will explore particularly the value of capacity building, networks and peer to peer exchange for youth across the Pacific, as well as from other large ocean states. Participants in Peace Boats Youth for SDGs for the UN Ocean Decade which was launched this year as well as Peace Boats Ocean and Climate Youth Ambassador program which provide capacity building for youth from SIDS have said that the opportunity to build networks not only from the Pacific but also from SIDS in the Indian Ocean and Caribbean has strengthened their work in their own communities. Alliance for Future Generations-Fiji, is one of Fiji's largest collective of young leaders and youth networks working towards a fairer, equitable, and more sustainable future for all. Youth</p>

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		<p>Negotiators Academy provides training for youth to effectively participate in climate negotiations. The event will explore collaborations and partnerships with governments, civil society and academia, looking at how youth can contribute to public engagement, education and awareness and drive political change.</p> <p>Programme: Opening Remarks: H.E. Ms Ilana Seid, Permanent Representative of the Republic of Palau to the United Nations. Panel: Youth representative from the Alliance of Future Generations – Fiji; Youth representative from Pacific Islands Climate Action Network (PICAN); Ms Khadija Stewart, SOA Caribbean (Ocean and Climate Youth Ambassador and participant in Youth for SDGs UN Ocean Decade from Trinidad & Tobago); Youth Negotiator from a Pacific Island who is part of the Youth Negotiators Academy COP28 cohort. Closing Remarks: Yoshioka Tatsuya, Peace Boat Founder and Director.</p> <p>Moderator: Karen Hallows, Peace Boat</p>
<p>5.00pm - 5.50pm (9 Dec)</p>	<p>Partnership: Governments of Australia and Vanuatu, Department of Climate, Energy, the Environment and Water (DCCEEW), the University of New South Wales (UNSW), The Pacific Community (SPC), University of the South Pacific (USP).</p> <p>Contact: Kelly Jones Assistant Director Department of Climate, Energy, the Environment and Water E: Kelly.Strzepek@dcceew.gov.au</p>	<p>Planning tools for a Just Energy Transition in the Pacific: A case study in Vanuatu</p> <p>About: Despite hundreds of millions in renewable energy investment, achieving NDC commitments is challenging and attaining Sustainable Development Goals remain far from reach for many countries. Ill-considered sequencing of investment disrupted and fragmented supply chains, and a lack of human capacity all prohibit the Pacific's ability to undertake a self-determined, just energy transition. Understanding and planning across all economic sectors while coordinated multiple development partners with different agendas presents challenges and requires new approaches.</p> <p>The partnership between the Australian Government (DCCEEW), the Government of Vanuatu and the University of New South Wales (UNSW) is delivering a test case for how to co-design and develop energy transition frameworks and open-source planning tools to suit unique Pacific Island contexts and needs. Vanuatu's decision makers will be able to assess least cost pathways that take advantage of the country's natural endowments and pragmatically plan and sequence renewable energy investments and infrastructure upgrades, to deliver on ambitious 2030 renewable energy targets and NDC commitments.</p> <p>This case study is being progressed in collaboration with SPC and will inform a potential just transition roll out of services, designed by the region and lead through the regional organisations.</p> <p>Panel: The Hon Chris Bowen MP, Minister for Climate Change and Energy (Australia); The Hon Ralph Regenvanu, Minister for Climate Change Adaptation,</p>

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Energy, Environment, Meteorology, Geo-Hazards and Disaster Management (Vanuatu); High-level delegate from SPC; High-level delegate from SPREP; UNSW representative; and Moderator – SPREP/SPC.

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COP28 THEME: FOOD, AGRICULTURE AND WATER		
TIME (DUBAI)	ORGANISERS AND PARTNERS	EVENT
10.00am – 10.50am (10 Dec)	<p>Island Innovation</p> <p>Contact: James Ellsmoor Founder & CEO Island Innovation E: james@islandinnovation.co</p>	<p>Interregional dialogues for SIDS youth voices on climate justice</p> <p>About: This event will bring together youth from the Pacific, AIMS and Caribbean regions to share their experiences of climate justice and advocacy to build inter-regional collaboration.</p> <p>This dynamic conversation will bring together SIDS youth from across the Pacific Islands with the Caribbean and AIMS regions. The event aims to spotlight the unique challenges that SIDS youth face due to climate change and explore the active roles that youth can play in advocating for climate justice. The panelists will share personal experiences and community stories that shed light on the urgency of addressing climate change in SIDS.</p> <p>During the session, passionate and informed young activists, researchers, and advocates will engage in a thoughtful dialogue, addressing the challenges and opportunities of climate adaptation in their respective regions. They will share innovative ideas, personal experiences, and projects aimed at building resilience and mitigating the effects of climate change. As climate change continues to impact communities globally, it is imperative to include the perspectives of youth who will bear the brunt of its consequences.</p> <p>Youth from the Caribbean will represent the Caribbean Climate Justice Leadership Academy (read about the programme: https://islandinnovation.co/programs/climate-justice-academy/) and the session will explore how a similar programme can be built in the Pacific and the opportunities for dialogues between the regions.</p> <p>Panel: (tbc)</p>
12.00pm - 12.50pm	Greenpeace	Message to the International Court of Justice - Our Climate Story

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<p>(10 Dec)</p>	<p>Contact: Shiva Gounden Pacific Community Engagement Manager and Pacific Advisor (Greenpeace Australia Pacific) E: shiva.gounden@greenpeace.org</p>	<p>About: An open mic session where First Nations and Indigenous People, youth and climate activists share their climate story and message to the International Court of Justice (ICJ). Panel: Pacific and Global South Youth, First Nations and Indigenous People, (Turtle Island, African nations, Pacific, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islands), PISFCC, Greenpeace, Pacific Climate Warriors etc.</p>
<p>1.00pm - 1.50pm (10 Dec)</p>	<p>United Nations Capital Development Fund (UNCDF) Contact: Sarah Harris Outreach and Communication Specialist E: sarah.harris.simpson@uncdf.org</p>	<p>Taking stock: innovative finance solutions for adaptation and the community level About: When climate finance is channelled to the local level communities take the leading role in realising results, as illustrated through experiences from Solomon Islands and Tuvalu. The event will discuss the type of partnerships governments and communities can utilise to support the implementation of innovative and collaborative on-ground actions, as well as will explore how to make the link with blue finance and investments in ocean ecosystem conservation, which are central to effective adaptation to the impacts of climate change in SIDS and warrant a greater share of climate finance investment. The event will draw on first-hand experience of LoCAL implementation in Tuvalu, complemented with plans and ambitions in Solomon Islands where a new multi-million dollar adaptation action recently launched in October 2023. Panel: Hon. Minister Seve Paeniu, Finance Minister, Tuvalu; Hon. Minister Stanley Festus Sofu, Minister of Environment Climate Change Disaster Management and Meteorology; and Sophie De Coninck, Global Facility Manager, LoCAL Facility UNCDF.</p>
<p>2.00pm – 2.50pm (10 Dec)</p>	<p>Beyond Oil and Gas Alliance Partner organisations: Fiji, Denmark, Tuvalu, Vanuatu, and the Pacific Islands Forum Contact: Sian Bradley BOGA Secretariat E: sbradley@beyondoilgas.org</p>	<p>Partnerships for a Just Transition away from Fossil Fuels About: Highlighting Pacific leadership on a just transition away from fossil fuels, within the region and globally, and the partnerships in support of this. Panel: (tbc)</p>
<p>3.00pm – 3.50pm (10 Dec)</p>	<p>The Pacific Community (SPC) Contact:</p>	<p>Pacific Coastal Food System: bridging the climate-food nexus</p>

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	<p>Alisi Tuqa Food Systems Programme Lead E: alisit@spc.int</p>	<p>About: Curated Interactive Panel of the climate-food nexus founded on the coastal food systems to transform Pacific food systems, be held on World Soils Day.</p> <p>Two biggest threats facing the Pacific are Climate Change and premature death caused by Non-Communicable Diseases (NCDs). Climate Change is an existential crisis that threatens is recognised as a leading threat to Pacific communities, ecosystems, and species. Premature deaths from NCDs result in loss of productivity and have an impact on the economy, and this is especially important as the region looks to its people for Pacific led solutions to the impact of climate change one and food systems. Part of the solutions lies in sharing about indigenous and coastal food systems. An adverse effect on Pacific food production staple crops and fisheries</p> <p>Threats from climate adversely affect Pacific food sources land and sea - staple crops, putting further stress on Pacific food systems. Climate change will see increased sea temperatures and current flows, bring shifts in the distribution of marine fish stocks for example.</p> <p>Panel: Ambassador Stefan Hafstein; Pacific member country representatives; and Pacific Non-State Actor representative.</p>
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MONDAY 11 DECEMBER 2023

COP28 THEME: FINAL NEGOTIATIONS		
TIME (DUBAI)	ORGANISERS AND PARTNERS	EVENT
<p>10.00am – 10.50am (11 Dec)</p>	<p>United Nations University Institute for Environment and Human Security (UNU EHS)</p> <p>Contact: Ms. Mariam Parekhelashvili Project Associate,</p>	<p>Gender, Age, and Climate: Inclusive Disaster Risk Financing Solutions for Women, Youth, and Elderly People in Pacific</p> <p>About: This session delves into the intersection of gender, age, disaster risk financing, and insurance, addressing the heightened vulnerability of women, youth, and elderly</p>

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	<p>United Nations University Institute for Environment and Human Security (UNU EHS) E: parekhelashvili@ehs.unu.edu</p>	<p>populations in the face of climate change and sharing the best practice examples from the Pacific.</p> <p>Why do certain groups bear the negative impacts of climate change more than others? What roles do the socially constructed roles, gender and age norms, and traditions, among other factors play in further exacerbating this issue?</p> <p>For instance, the gender assessment conducted by the Pacific Insurance and Climate Adaptation Programme (PICAP) found, that some women were excluded from awareness sessions when both genders were invited, as their husbands would typically participate instead. Additionally, insurance payouts may also lead to gender-based violence, as men may want access to the money given to women. Youth and elderly people may also face specific challenges, such as limited mobility and lack of access to information.</p> <p>Against this background, the proposed session will delve into the intersection of gender, age, disaster risk financing, and insurance and while providing examples of how PICAP addresses these challenges, the event will highlight the significance of developing gender-responsive and inclusive climate risk solutions as a climate adaptation strategy. Additionally, the session will showcase how providing premium support to women and other marginalized groups, including persons with disabilities and individuals enrolled in formal social protection schemes can improve the financial resilience of marginalized groups in the Pacific, helping them withstand the impacts of climate change.</p> <p>Panel: Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Women, Children and Social Protection, Fiji (tbc); Senior Representative from the Ministry of Climate Change, Vanuatu or Ministry of Finance, Tonga (tbc); Mr. Fred Patison, Gender Expert & Climate Change Finance Readiness Adviser, SPREP - Pacific Climate Change Centre; Representative from the Pacific Disability Forum (tbc); Mr. Krishnan Narasimhan, Programme Manager and Lead Insurance and Climate Adaptation Specialist, United Nations Capital Development Fund (UNCDF);</p> <p>Moderator: Ms. Mariam Parekhelashvili, Project Associate, UNU-EHS</p>
<p>11.00am – 11.50am (11 Dec)</p>	<p>Government of Vanuatu</p> <p>Contacts: Kemson Tavdey Regional Cooperation Coordinator & Global Climate Diplomacy Coordinator E: ktavdey07@gmail.com</p>	<p>Criminalization of Ecocide in the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court</p> <p>About: Vanuatu is spearheading international efforts to amend the Rome Statute to include Ecocide as a fifth international crime, which would help end impunity for the perpetrators of the most serious environmental and climate crimes affecting the international community and the Pacific Islands.</p> <p>This event will showcase the Pacific Island's leadership in global efforts to amend the Rome Statute by introducing "Ecocide" as a fifth international crime. The Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court (ICC) currently addresses four</p>

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<p>12.00pm - 12.50pm</p> <p>(11 Dec)</p>	<p>Pacific Islands Forum</p> <p>Contact: Karlos Lee Moresi on behalf of the Pacific Resilience Facility Programme Adviser – Resilient Development Finance Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat E: karlosm@forumsec.org</p>	<p>Pacific Owned and Pacific Led Financing Mechanism for building Community resilience</p> <p>About: Showcasing the Pacific Leaders Vision for making Climate and Disaster Risk Finance more easily accessible for communities.</p> <p>The event will mostly be an information session to provide updates on progress made to date in establishing the PRF as mandated by the PIF Leaders. It will also feature recent discussions by the Forum Finance and Economic Ministers (FEMM), and provide some details on the governance structure, plans for the pledging event and the types of projects likely to be funded through the Facility.</p> <p>Panel: Climate Finance Champion, Chair of the PRF Task Force, PS Garth Henderson from the Cook Islands and the Lead Consultants for establishing the PRF</p>
<p>1.00pm - 1.50pm</p> <p>(11 Dec)</p>	<p>Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme</p> <p>Contact: Fred Patison Climate Finance Readiness Advisor SPREP E: fredp@sprep.org</p>	<p>PCCC - SPREP Green and Resilient Pacific Games Initiative - Catalysing Actions on Climate Change</p> <p>About: Sharing of lessons learned for the Greening of the Pacific Games in Solomon Islands.</p> <p>The Pacific Climate Change Centre through SPREP is collaborating with the Solomon Islands Government to contribute to a green and resilient Honiara city. Whilst the targeted support is focused on the South Pacific Games, the longer-term vision to contribute towards a greener and more resilient Honiara city.</p> <p>The Pacific games is basically a catalyst to drive the interventions that will result in transformative impacts over the long term and contribute to the resilience of the city. The PCCC</p>

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		<p>involvement is part of its key function in driving innovative solutions to climate change. In this particular instance, the broader targeted greening activities will be tied to carbon offsetting for the games and also multiple benefits from reducing heat levels and resilience in general.</p> <p>This is aligned to the PCCC capacity building and innovation functions specifically on the MERL outcome 4.2 and output 4.2.2 to support and implement innovative climate change solutions in PICTs. The intervention for the greening of the Pacific games was first realised for the Pacific games hosted in Apia, Samoa in 2019 and this activity is to replicate some of the carbon offsetting activities whilst contributing to the broader resilience of Honiara city.</p> <p>The side event is to showcase the initiative as an intervention catalysing action and awareness on climate change in the country.</p> <p>Panel: Mr. Sefanaia Nawadra, SPREP Director General; Dr Melchior Mataki - Solomon Islands Government; Mrs Ofa Kaisamy - PCCC Manager; and Dr Jimmy Rogers - SI Games Hosting Authority Chairman.</p>
<p>2.00pm - 2.50pm</p> <p>(11 Dec)</p>	<p>Government of Tonga</p> <p>Contact: Ilaisaane Lolo Deputy Chief Executive Officer Ministry of Finance E: slolo@finance.gov.to</p>	<p>Disaster Risk Finance as a tool for Development</p> <p>About: Disaster risk finance as a tool for development.</p> <p>Pacific Island countries continue to suffer extreme economic setbacks whenever disasters hit. While the physical vulnerabilities are well documented and for the most part unavoidable, the impacts of climate change have further exacerbated these vulnerabilities. The impacts combine physical damage and the related economic and social losses. Statistics like 30 percent to 60 percent of GDP impacts are now commonly reflected in the post-disaster assessments of Pacific countries hit by disasters but what is not commonly reflected is the even more devastating development setbacks and the number of years it takes to get back to pre-disaster levels of wellbeing.</p> <p>The 2021 World Risk report reflects these harsh realities with the top three most at risk countries being from the Region with six Pacific countries listed in the top twenty most at risk countries. While exposure to natural hazards cannot be avoided, countries can help reduce the impacts and post disaster costs through targeted Risk Reduction and Resilient Development policies. With competing priorities, the issue then becomes adequacy of financing. Pacific Island countries are already starting from a position of disadvantage given our small economic bases, so putting in place ex-ante financing arrangements is vital. Research has shown that anticipatory action and early response greatly help reduce recovery costs following a disaster. A comprehensive DRF Strategy can help address this gap and help countries build up disaster resilience including the ability to respond more effectively to disasters.</p>

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3.00pm - 3.50pm (11 Dec)	<p>UNICEF</p> <p>Contact: Zoraya El Raiss Cordero, UNICEF Pacific, zelraiss@unicef.org</p> <p>Anna Smeby, UNICEF Pacific, (remote)</p>	<p>An Inclusive Climate Action with and for Children & Youth: the Role of Education and Participation</p> <p>About: Ensuring children take their rightful place at the heart of climate change decisions and ambition. Despite being least responsible for this planetary crisis, children, particularly the most vulnerable, are the most impacted by climate change. Children and youth have transformed the global climate movement, demanding comprehensive and bold climate action from decision-makers to tackle this injustice. Yet much remains to be done to ensure that their right to be heard is upheld, notably in climate decision-making processes. Participation is much more than having a voice, it is about being informed, engaged, and having an influence on decisions and matters that affect their lives. The education sector has a fundamental role to play as it has the potential to build and articulate skills and capacities in children and youth, including those with disabilities and other vulnerable populations, that drive transformative action on climate change today and more sustainable societies tomorrow.</p> <p>This side event, hosted by UNICEF, PIFS, Pacific Regional Education Framework (PacREF), Pacific Disability Forum, Pacific Governments and youth, will assess progress made in the Pacific Islands while pushing for further commitments for inclusive climate action with and for children, including their right to be educated and to be heard. The session will build on national, regional and international frameworks and initiatives, including the recently adopted General Comment No.26 on children's rights and the environment with a special focus on climate change, the Pacific Regional Education Framework (PacREF), the Pacific Regional Inclusive Education Framework (PRIEF), and 2050 Strategy for a Blue Pacific Continent.</p> <p>Panel: Hon. Mona Ainu'u, Minister of Natural Resources from Niue; Ms. Miimetua Kino, youth negotiator for Cook Islands; Representatives from education and UNICEF (tbc).</p>
4.00pm - 4.50pm (11 Dec)	<p>Pacific Islands Forum Fisheries Agency (FFA)</p> <p>Contact: Marina Abas Fisheries Management Advisor on Climate Change FFA E: marina.abas@ffa.int</p>	<p>The Story of Pacific Island Countries Offshore Fisheries: our identity, cultural heritage and economic sustain threatened by climate change</p> <p>About: The Pacific Island Forum Fisheries Agency will feature the tale of offshore fisheries, a story of conservation and sustainability, cultural heritage and economic dependence, threatened by climate change.</p> <p>The FFA will feature the tale of offshore fisheries: a story of conservation and sustainability, cultural heritage and economic dependence. This side event will advocate for and raise awareness on the vulnerability of the Pacific Island fisheries and</p>

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		<p>dependant social and economic benefits in the face of climate change. Topics such as adaptation, loss and damage, gender and social inclusion and cooperation for resilience will be featured. The Pacific Island offshore fisheries sustain around 70% of world tuna consumption, being highly important for food security. This is the largest tuna fishery in the world, and the only one having all their stocks sustainably managed. These fisheries represent not only the economic and social dependence of many of these Island countries, but it is also a matter of sovereignty rights and regional cooperation. However, recent modelling shows that continued GHG emissions are expected to cause substantial changes in the abundance and distributions of the main target species of the fisheries within the Pacific Ocean Basin, with predicted shifts from the Western and Central Pacific Ocean toward the Eastern Pacific Ocean , and from areas under national jurisdiction to the high seas. Given the all-encompassing and complex nature of climate change, our collective effort is required to prepare and respond to those threats by taking a proactive approach to managing the potential risks and increasing the resilience of offshore fisheries and associated benefits for the people who depend on them. Nonetheless, advocating for a global reduction in GHG emissions is the main and most important task we have ahead.</p> <p>Panel: Honourable Mona AINU'U, Minister of Natural Resources, Niue; Honourable John Silk, Minister of Natural Resources and Commerce, Republic of the Marshall Islands; Dr. Manumatavai Tupou Roosen, Director General FFA; and Honourable Steve Victor Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Environment of Palau (tbc)</p>
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