

## CIRCULAR

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**SUBJECT:** **Feedback on Draft Environmental Auditing Guidelines for Tourism Operations in the Pacific**

Dear Members,

SPREP and the Pacific Tourism Organization (SPTO) are collaborating to develop a set of **Environmental Auditing Guidelines for Tourism Operations in the Pacific** supported through the "Capacity Building related to Multilateral Environmental Agreements (MEAs) in African, Caribbean, and Pacific (ACP) Countries (ACPMEAs phase 3)". These guidelines aim to facilitate best practices and effective compliance monitoring for tourism operations across the region.

We hereby invite comments and feedback and input from our members and partners to ensure these guidelines align with the specific needs and address the challenges faced by Pacific Countries and Territories. Attached to this circular are the draft guidelines and a feedback matrix for any comments.

Appreciate if you could provide your feedback to the Secretariat by **COB 15<sup>th</sup> November 2023**.

Thank you for your ongoing support in advancing sustainable environmental practices and tourism within the Pacific.

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