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FILE: AP_4/20 **TO:** SPREP National Focal Points
DATE: 22 July 2026
CIRCULAR: 26/73
SUBJECT: **The Nature for Health (N4H) Pacific Scoping Workshop & 2nd Quadripartite Pacific One Health Workshop, 28 September–2 October 2026, Nadi, Fiji**

Dear Members,

Further to SPREP Circular 26/44 on the commencement of the Nature for Health (N4H) Initiative scoping phase for the Pacific region, Members are advised that two consecutive workshops will be held from the 28 September – 2nd October 2026, at the Novotel Hotel in Nadi, Fiji. Both workshops will be fully funded by UNEP as part of the Phase II of the Nature for Health Initiative.

- 1. The N4H Pacific Scoping Workshop, 28–29 September 2026; and**
- 2. The 2nd Quadripartite Pacific One Health Workshop, 30 September–2 October 2026.**

The N4H Pacific Scoping Workshop is co-convened by SPREP, SPC and UNEP aims to reduce the risk of pandemics by addressing the environmental drivers of zoonotic disease emergence through a One Health approach. Across the Pacific region, zoonotic spillover represents a critical public health concern. In the Pacific, the scoping phase will identify priority entry points, assess national and regional needs, and support the co-design of future interventions. SPREP National Focal Points are serving as focal points for this initiative and are encouraged to coordinate with relevant national authorities and line ministries, including the environment, health and agriculture sectors, as appropriate.

The 2nd Quadripartite Pacific One Health Workshop is co-convened by SPC, SPREP and Aisa Pacific Quadripartite including FAO, UNEP, WHO and WOA. The main aim of this workshop is to enhance the multisectoral coordination and collaboration at the human-animal-environment interface, promote knowledge exchange, networking and building partnerships between key stakeholders and partners involved in One Health initiatives in the region.

National Focal Points are kindly requested to coordinate the nomination of one representative from the environment sector, preferably a representative from the biodiversity division, to participate in the N4H Pacific Scoping Workshop 28-29 September 2026. The same representative will also be funded to stay on and join participants from the animal and public health sectors for the 2nd Quadripartite Pacific One Health Workshop that will follow from 30th September – 2nd October 2026. Members are requested to submit completed nomination forms to SPREP (Justin Lima – justinl@sprep.org and Rafael Tavita – rafaelt@sprep.org) by 31 July 2026.

For questions related to Members' engagement in the above-mentioned workshops, please contact Mr Jope Davetanivalu, Director of Environmental Governance, at joped@sprep.org, or Mr Justin Lima at justinl@sprep.org.

The Secretariat acknowledges Members for their continued support and looks forward to working together to advance the One Health and Nature for Health agenda across our Blue Pacific region.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'ECS', is positioned above the printed name.

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Att: 1. SPC nomination form
 2. Concept note – 2nd QPT Pacific One Health Workshop 2026
 3. N4H_Pacific Scoping Workshop Concept Note