Annex 1: Summary of interim results from the 2012 PCCSP/PACCSAP Science Program internal evaluation (PACCSAP Climate Science Symposium, Honiara, 13-15 March "13)

Preliminary Key Findings: Relevance & impact

> Regional

- □ world-class, peer-reviewed science knowledge, tools & capacity/capability → widely acknowledged, new benchmark
- new science networks (nb. relationships!!!)& awareness

> National/sub-national

- □ informing international negotiations and national CC policy & communications
- new science, incl. data, infrastructure & capacity
- □ increased (multi) sectoral & community awareness (but more work to do!!)





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Preliminary Key Findings: Effectiveness & Efficiency

- Scope/scale mostly appropriate, although not all work recognised
- > In-country activities favoured, although Australian activities valued
 - ☐ Tools, training & in-country support highly valued
- Ready access/support acknowledged & valued
 - ☐ Collaborative/consultative approach mostly acknowledged & valued
- Timeliness, flexibility and resources mostly adequate & well targeted
 - ☐ Web-based delivery great when works nb. limitations!!
- No complaints, only constructive feedback!!
 - □Room for improvement, gaps & needs

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Evaluation findings: key drivers, gaps & needs

Regional

- ❖ mainstreaming (integration) of CC science and adaptation into the Pacific development agenda → enhancing CC resilience
- ❖ science-based evidence to inform policy & planning → decision frameworks/pathways???
- integration of science and adaptation planning (end-end)
- ongoing science capacity building & communications support

National/sub-national

- ❖ ongoing fundamental science (processes, trends, projections)
 □ more As/more Qs!!
 - ☐ increasing emphasis on variability & extremes
- new & emerging (multi) sectoral needs (geo-politically explicit)
 - ☐ emphasis on near-term, spatially down-scaled
 - □ social/cultural, economic, environmental considerations

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Evaluation findings: challenges & lessons learnt

- > At the start of a long journey manage expectations & timelines!
- > Require clearer line of sight b/w outputs and outcomes
- > Outcome hierarchy (strategic & temporal) makes sense
- ➤ Managing stakeholder/personal relationships critical
- ➤ In-country contact is a critical (but resource intensive) feature of service delivery
- ➤ Multi-disciplinary approach is required ↑ next/end user demands (cross-cutting)
- > Every country's needs are similar but different!!??
- > Sustainability of capacity & capability major issue for all
- Communications need to be managed at both strategic & operational levels



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