





CONCEPT NOTE

Development Partner and Donor Engagement Meeting

17th August 2023

Rationale

The Pacific Region has made significant investments in enhancing weather, climate, hydrological, ocean and related development services resulting in strengthening the capability and capacity of the National Meteorological and Hydrological Services (NMHSs). Additionally, significant investments are needed for the region to achieve full potential in the provision of such services, which has been mobilizing several stakeholders including the Pacific Island Countries and Territories (PICTs), donors, development partners on scoping, resources mobilization and implementing programmes and projects in the region. Effective, inclusive and sustainable coordination among such a growing number of donors and partners engaged in climate change, disaster risk reduction and other related disciplines is crucial to ensure accurate, timely, action-oriented and people-centered forecasts and warnings for extreme and high impact hydro-meteorological events.

The Pacific Meteorological Council (PMC) Development Partner and Donor Engagement Meeting integrates the Pacific into the WMO Partner Coordination Mechanisms initiative, which will propose a platform for systematic information exchange, collaboration, and harmonization of interventions. By optimizing and building on existing partnership and engagement platforms, the meeting aims to strengthen collaboration and coordination among PICTs, development partners, donors, CROP agencies and United Nations agencies for further investments in weather, climate, hydrology, oceans and related development services – such as the Weather Ready Pacific Programme and Early Warning for All (EW4All) Initiative.

The meeting's objectives are aligned towards strengthening coordination and synergizing of efforts, prioritizing the needs of the Pacific region, and supporting sustainable development, resilience development and preparedness in the face of hydro-meteorological disasters. For that, the meeting also aims to have a common agreement on the basis of the PMC Development Partner Coordination Mechanism, which will sustain coordination efforts. Discussions will center on ongoing activities, leveraging a coordination dashboard for updates and promoting effective strategies and sharing best practices.

Objectives

- 1. **Ensure donors and partners have access to information** on weather, water, climate, and ocean and related initiatives and programs in the Pacific region.
- 2. Foster effective, sustainable and inclusive actions to support the Weather Ready Pacific Programme: Discuss the governance framework for the Weather Ready Pacific Programme and ensure the sustainability and inclusiveness of partner-related coordination efforts in the Pacific region.

- 3. Drive collaboration, coordination and networking: Facilitate collaboration, coordination, exchange, and networking among development and donor partners and NMHSs on the PMC priorities.
- 4. **Explore a framework for continuous and sustainable engagement and information sharing**: PMC Development Partner Coordination Mechanism.

Expected Outcomes

- 1. Enhanced engagement of development partners and donors with current PICTs challenges, needs and priorities, in weather, climate, hydrology, oceans and related development services.
- 2. Improved awareness and alignment among development partners and donors regarding the Weather Ready Pacific Programme and its governance framework as well as existing and future opportunities for support.
- 3. Defined targeted interventions for efficient resource mobilization, coordination, and investment for increased resilience to weather, climate, hydrology, and oceans related hazards in the Pacific region.
- 4. Strengthened collaboration, coordination and networking among development and donor partners, PICTs, PMC and NMHSs for the Weather Ready Pacific Programme and enhanced weather, water, climate, ocean and related development services in the Pacific.
- 5. Establishment of the PMC Development Partner Coordination Mechanism and its framework of engagement, tailored to address challenges and needs in the Pacific.

Agenda

Session 1: Welcoming Formalities			
9.00-9.30	 Prayer - Reverend Tevita Ramokosoi Kete Welcome Remarks – Mr. Sefanaia Nawadra, SPREP Director General Opening Remarks – Prof. Petteri Taalas, WMO Secretary General Meeting Objectives – Ms. Tagaloa Cooper-Halo 	Moderator – Ms. Tagaloa Cooper-Halo	
Session 2: Sustainable Regional Coordination			
9.30.10.00	 Overview of the Pacific Island Meteorological Strategy (PIMS) and other regional strategies and frameworks PMC governance and outcomes 	Moderator – Ben Churchill Presenter – Salesa Nihmei	
10.00-10.30	Photo and Morning Tea		
Session 3: Strengthened Collaboration and Coordination			
10.30-11.00	 Presentation of the PPCM Framework of engagement of the PMC Partners Coordination Mechanism Open dialogue and feedback from donors/partners 	Moderator: Chaponda Moyenda Presenter: Tagaloa Cooper	

11.00-11.30	Pacific Region Project and Programme Data Analysis	Presenter - Chaponda	
11.00-11.50	Report	Moyenda	
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	Launch of the Dashboard – President RA-V and PMC Chair		
	Microsoft Power BI		
Session 4: Inclusive Programmes			
11.30- 12.30	Weather Ready Pacific Programme	Presenters	
	 Overview, Progress and Governance Structure 	Tagaloa Cooper-Halo	
	Dialogue Session with Development Partners	Ofa Faanunu	
12.30-1.30	Lunch Break		
1.30- 2.00	Early Warning for All Initiative	Moderator – Tagaloa	
	 Overview and rollout Process 	Cooper-Halo	
	 Questions and Answer session 		
		Presenter – Cyrille	
		Honoré	
Session 5: Projects Programmes and Donor Priorities			
2.00-4.00	Breakout Session – Cafe Style in Thematic Areas	Moderator: Salome	
		Tukuafu	
	'Statements on current and future opportunities for		
	projects and programmes by donors to support the		
	Weather Ready Pacific Programme and PMC priorities'.		
	Group Reporting session		
Grab a Coffee			
4.00-4.30	Feedback session	Moderator: Salesa	
	Key Outcomes of the Meeting	Nihmei	
	Official Closing		