**PMC Pacific Island Climate Services Panel Meeting**

*Samoa Ministry of Natural Resources Ground floor- Tatte Conference room*

*5 August*

**Background**

The purpose of the PICS Panel is to provide technical advice to the PMC on matters related to the implementation of GFCS and the strengthening and coordinating of climate services at the community, national and regional levels. The Pre-PMC meeting is an opportunity for the panel members to discuss issues of importance to the panel and continue progress of outstanding activities.

**Objectives:**

* Update on the PICS Panel priority actions, including the Pacific Islands Regional Climate Centre (RA-V PI-RCC) Demonstration Phase
* Progress on the Implementation plan for Pacific roadmap for strengthening Climate Services
* Plan for PICOF-5
* Review PICS Panel Terms of Reference
* Provide guidelines for regional consensus forecasting and inviting PICS panel members to provide inputs/feedback (Priority Action 7);
* Work on consistent definitions of ENSO events (Priority Action 2)
* Prepare for PMC 5

**Desired outputs:**

* PICS Panel meeting report
* Draft outline of PICS Panel report on ‘Guidelines for consensus forecasting’
* Draft PICS Panel report on ‘Definitions of ENSO events’
* Draft scope and agenda for PICOF-5
* Updated PICS Panel ToR

**Agenda:**

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| **Time** | **Objectives** | **Speakers** | **Outputs** |
| 8.30am – 9.00am | Registration |  |  |
| 9.00am –  9.15am | Welcome Remarks  Objectives of workshop | PICS Panel chair, Mr. Andrew Tait |  |
| 9:15am – 9:30am | Update on PICS Panel priority actions | Andrew Tait |  |
| 9:30am – 10:00am | Progress of PRSCS Implementation Plan | Philip Malsale | Update where we left since 2018 PICOF and next steps |
| **10.00 - 10.30am** | **Group Photo & Morning Tea** | | |
| 10:30am –12:30pm | Guidelines for consensus forecasting | Simon McGree  All participants | Summary of COSPPac work; Discussion on desired outputs and collaborative approach;  Draft outline of PICS Panel guidelines report |
| **12.30 - 1.30pm** | **Lunch** | | |
| 1:30pm – 3:00pm | Definitions of ENSO events | Simon McGree  All participants | Draft PICS Panel ENSO events definitions report |
| **3.00 - 3.30pm** | **Afternoon Tea** | | |
| 3.30pm –  4.30pm | Plan for PICOF-5 | Andrew Tait to facilitate | Draft scope and agenda for PICOF-5 |
| 4:30pm – 5:30pm | SWOT analysis  Review PICS Panel Terms of Reference | Andrew Tait to facilitate | Consider the extent to which we're able to meet our aim, where the gaps might be  New Chair, and new members? Sector representatives? |
| **5.30pm** | **End of Day** |  |  |

**MEMBERS**: NIWA, NOAA, BoM, USP, SPC, SPREP, MeteoFrance, WMO Papua New Guinea, Vanuatu, Niue, New Caledonia, SPREP, Samoa Water Division, Tonga Ministry of Agriculture, Cook Islands NDMO and IFRC