



Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme

TWENTY-FIRST SPREP MEETING

Madang, Papua New Guinea

6 – 10 September 2010

Agenda Item 15.5: SPREP Strategic Plan 2011-2015

Purposes

1. To outline the consultative process used to develop SPREP's new planning document, and to seek endorsement of the 2011-2015 SPREP Strategic Plan.

Background

2. The Secretariat prepared the Strategic Plan on the basis of two instructions from the 20th SPREP Meeting. The first was to combine the regional environmental priorities previously included in SPREP Action Plans with the detailed mechanisms and targets previously included in SPREP's Strategic Programmes. The second was to consult widely to ensure the new plan addresses Members' current priorities.

3. For information on the consultations, see WP 6.1. In summary, the steps were:

- i. detailed questionnaires on priorities for Member countries and territories;
- ii. sub-regional workshops for all Members to refine priorities and start setting 5-year targets (in Guam and Fiji);
- iii. circulation of a draft, allowing 4 weeks for Members to submit comments;
- iv. invitations to SPREP's partner organisations to submit comments (through questionnaires and on the draft plan during the comment period); and
- v. further discussion by delegates of Members' comments and views and refinement of the plan as necessary, immediately before (Friday 3 September) and during the 21st SPREP Meeting.

4. The draft plan reflects the consensus which emerged during the consultations around the regional environmental challenges and opportunities, which in turn define SPREP's strategic priorities: climate change; biodiversity and ecosystem management; waste management and pollution control; and environmental monitoring and governance.

Recommendations

5. The high-level segment of the Meeting is invited to:

- **endorse** the SPREP Strategic Plan 2011-2015.
