



# Strengthening partnerships and coordination

for better planning, delivery and monitoring of capacity building for environmental management in the Pacific Region



## Pacific Type II Partnership Initiative: Capacity building

### What is this Type II Initiative all about?

This Initiative will find ways to improve how we plan, implement and monitor capacity building initiatives and programmes in our countries and in the region. This initiative will focus on:

### Who can be partners?

- ❑ Pacific Island countries and territories
- ❑ Government agencies and national NGOs
- ❑ SPREP, USP, SPC, SOPAC and other CROP agencies
- ❑ UNDP, UNU, UNEP, UNDESA
- ❑ International NGOs
- ❑ Private sector
- ❑ Donor countries and organisations

### Capacity Building Frameworks

Objectives	Proposed Initiatives
Establishing national and regional frameworks for identifying and prioritising capacity building needs on an on-going basis	Support mechanism to help countries implement National Capacity Self Assessments and develop Capacity Building frameworks and strategies
Increasing training opportunities for Pacific Islanders	Identifying and developing training packages and training pathways to meet capacity needs Developing inventories of environmental training activities and resources in the region

### What are the intended outcomes?

- ❑ Stronger collaboration and coordination among governments, people and institutions for planning and managing capacity building programmes and initiatives
- ❑ Increased capacity to manage capacity building initiatives
- ❑ Increased capacity of institutions to support environmental education, training and research
- ❑ Increased capacity building opportunities for people and institutions in the region

### What are some examples?

- ❑ Regional Support Mechanism to assist countries implement and complete their National Capacity Self-Assessments and establish priorities and Action Plans
- ❑ Development of a work programme and coordination mechanism to support the Regional Environmental Education Strategy for Pacific Islands Countries and Territories
- ❑ AusAID HRD for Pacific Island Countries Environment Departments
- ❑ SIDS universities' initiative to offer joint postgraduate courses on SIDS affairs through flexible teaching and learning modes

### Environmental Education

Objective	Proposed initiatives
Improving coordination of environmental education strategies and initiatives at the national and regional levels	Development of a partnership mechanism and Action Plan for the implementation of the Environmental Education and Training Strategy for PICTs

### How can partners be involved and how is this Initiative coordinated?

- ❑ All interested partners and/or group of partners register their participation or their programmes/initiatives with the facilitators
- ❑ Facilitators arrange regular communication among partners
- ❑ Facilitators provide updates to the CROP Sustainable Development Working Group and UNDESA on progress

### Environmental Research

Objective	Proposed initiatives
Strengthening capacity of Pacific Islanders and institutions to undertake environmental research	Establish south-south and north-south partnerships for environment research and strengthening of research capacity in national and regional institutions Identify and make available resources

### Which organizations are facilitating this Initiative?

- ❑ Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme
- ❑ University of the South Pacific

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