



AGENDA ITEM 6.3:

Framework for Resilient Development in the Pacific and the Pacific Resilience Partnership

Purpose of Paper

1. To update members on progress in implementing the Framework for Resilient Development in the Pacific (FRDP) and the Pacific Resilience Partnership (PRP).

Update

- 2. Since the endorsement of the PRP Governance Structure by Pacific Island Forum Leaders in 2017 and subsequent to the SPREP Executive Board Meeting in September 2018:
 - a. the PRP Taskforce and the Support Unit became operational with SPREP representing all CROP agencies on the Taskforce, and participating with PIFS and SPC colleagues in the Support Unit. The Taskforce established three working groups on (1) Affiliation and Standards, (2) Communications and (3) Pacific Resilience Meeting. SPREP led the work of the Communications working group including a partnership with PACMAS to support Pacific media representatives from 8 pacific countries prepare for participation in the PRM to help build media understanding of the integration of Climate Change and Disaster Risk Reduction and of FRDP implementation. Representatives developed and circulated stories from the Meeting to their national and regional audiences;
 - b. the inaugural Pacific Resilience Meeting (PRM) held in May 2019 at USP Laucala Campus, brought together over 300 practitioners showcasing transformational and innovative approaches to addressing issues that undermine our resilient development. Participation reflected the diversity of stakeholders and approaches that contribute towards resilience building. The theme emphasised and embraced youth innovation, energy, and their role in shaping a resilient future.
 - c. the Secretariat is finalising the recruitment of the FRDP/PRP Coordinator under the EU funded PACRES Project which will be based in the CCR Programme working with the support unit to the PRP Taskforce.

Background

- 3. The PRP Taskforce is working closely with partners through a number of initiatives including:
 - progressing an affiliation process that aims to strengthen coherence and coordination across stakeholders, processes and sectors,
 - development of resilience standards of excellence,
 - advancing monitoring and evaluation to guide the implementation, tracking and reporting of results against the FRDP, and
 - facilitating partnerships for action through the PRP Technical Working Groups (TWG) to address current and emerging challenges and opportunities relevant to the implementation of the FRDP

4. The Pacific Resilience Meeting was organised around the 3 main goals of the FRDP with SPREP leading the session on Low Carbon Development, bringing together government, civil society, private sector and youth to share their views, initiatives and platforms for engagement.

Recommendation

- 5. The Meeting is invited to:
 - 1. **note** the Outcome of the Inaugural Pacific Resilience Meeting 2019;
 - 2. **agree** to maintain the agreed governance arrangements;
 - 3. **request** the PRP Taskforce to provide an annual update to the SPREP Meeting on the progress of the partnership;
 - 4. **note** the report of the PRP Taskforce and **welcome** the work that is progressing on implementing the PRP governance arrangements; and
 - 5. **note** the progress made by the Secretariat in recruiting the FRDP/PRP Coordinator.

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