

**Pacific Umbrella Initiative: “Pacific Island Adaptation Initiative (2003 – 2015)”****Proposed Partners (Further consultation required to confirm partners at all levels)****Governments**

Pacific island countries and territories (American Samoa, Cook Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, Fiji Islands, French Polynesia, Guam, Republic of Kiribati, Republic of the Marshall Is, Republic of Nauru, New Caledonia, Niue, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Pitcairn, Samoa, Saipan, Solomon Is, Tokelau Tonga, Tuvalu, Vanuatu and Wallis & Futuna), and Australia, New Zealand, France, UK, USA

**Intergovernmental Organisations**

Pacific Islands Development Program (PIDP), Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat (PIFS), Secretariat of the Pacific Community (SPC), South Pacific Applied Geoscience Commission (SOPAC), South Pacific Regional Environmental Program (SPREP), University of the South Pacific (USP)

**Potential Major Groups/NGOs**

NGOs including, Greenpeace, Pacific Concerns Resource Centre (PCRC), World Wildlife Fund (WWF)

**Possible donor/partners**

ADB, Australia, Denmark, ESCAP, EU, France, Japan, New Zealand, UK, USA, UNDP, UNEP and the World Bank

**Leading Partner (To be determined through consultation)**

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**Main objectives of the Partnership/Initiative**

The overall goal of this initiative is “**to catalyse action and strengthen partnerships at all levels to enable the Pacific Island’s region understand and respond to climate change, climate variability and sea level rise**”. The primary objectives for this initiative are:

- Effective coordination of adaptation initiatives in support of sustainable development
- Support for enabling activities in accordance with the UNFCCC
- Mainstreaming climate change and adaptation into national and regional planning
- Mobilisation of resources for national level adaptation measures

**Expected results to be determined by countries on the basis of National Communications for UNFCCC, national climate change planning documents, studies related to adaptation, and relevant national policies and planning guidelines and the national assessments and stakeholder consultations undertaken for WSSD.**

The Pacific Island Adaptation Initiative is intended to implement the Pacific Island Framework for Action on Climate Change, Climate Variability and Sea Level Rise (2000) in the area of response measures. This Multistakeholder Framework outlines urgent action required within the Pacific region to enable PICs to understand and respond to climate change, climate variability and sea level rise.

**Specific Targets of the Partnership/Initiative and Timeframe for their Achievement**

July 2002	Consideration by Forum Economic Ministers Meeting (Vanuatu)
July 2002	Consideration by SPREP Environment Ministers (Marshall Islands)
Aug 2002	Consideration/adoption by Heads of Government PIF (Fiji)
Dec2002	Extension of technology, capacity building and financing options

2003 - 2015	Commence the implementation of priority activities, monitoring, reporting (these activities to be ongoing) including the review of partnerships
<p><b>Coordination and Implementation Mechanism</b></p> <p>National level coordination and implementation to be determined through consultation. Regional level coordination through the Climate Change Roundtable with implementation, where appropriate, by the relevant organisations e.g. SPREP, SOPAC, SPC and USP.</p>	
<p><b>Arrangements for Funding</b></p> <p>Baseline of investment at national and regional levels includes: Asian Development Bank, Australia, Canada, Denmark, Japan, New Zealand, UNDP, UNEP, World Bank. This initiative seeks to extend and complement these existing arrangements and also attract other interested donors and parties. Option for a Regional Adaptation Facility to deliver resources at the national level is currently being considered.</p>	
<p><b>Arrangements for Capacity Building and Technology Transfer</b></p> <p>Specific capacity building and technology transfer requirements will be determined by national assessments and stakeholder consultations for WSSD. Capacity building arrangements will utilize and strengthen existing capacity developed through GEF funded enabling activities as appropriate. Within the boarder context of capacity building there is also the need to accelerate technology transfer. Depending on resource mobilization this can be either through full scale or demonstration projects to address adaptation needs or where appropriate through workshops, the technical exchange of personnel or production and circulation of technical publications.</p>	
<p><b>Links of Partnership/Initiative with on-going sustainable development activities at the international and/or regional level (if any)</b></p> <p>The activities under this initiative will be established and integrated into ongoing programs and projects both nationally and regionally where appropriate. Where the opportunity avails itself at the international level the program initiatives will be linked to form partnerships so as to enhance the overall impact of the program.</p>	
<p><b>Monitoring Arrangements</b></p> <p>Monitoring and reporting on the initiative at the national level is expected through the Climate Change Country Teams. It is anticipated that there will also be reports to the Climate Change Roundtable, CROP Head Meetings and the annual meetings of relevant organisations.</p>	
<p><b>Other information</b></p> <p>Pacific countries have agreed that any initiative of this kind must be programmatic in nature. Ministers meeting in Nadi, 2001, <b>urged</b> SPREP, <i>in collaboration with relevant organisations, to support the development of the Pacific islands region programmatic approach and to coordinate efforts to obtain assistance from the GEF and the international community for that purpose.</i> Ministers also <b>called on</b> countries ... <i>to ensure that the Summit becomes a platform for strengthening the political will to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and for mobilising ... resources ...</i></p>	
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