



## **Introductions**

1. Opening/Welcome - Mr. Toily Kurbanov; United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)

Participants at the Development Partners for Climate Change (DPCC) network meeting were welcomed and participants introduced. The next Conference of the Parties (COP) 16 to be held in Cancun, Mexico was reviewed along with the necessary negotiation tools such as upskilling/ Capacity Building (CB) and reaching out beyond the list of government officials to NGOs and Civil Society. On a Capacity building (CB) basis, the role of non-state actors, CROP Agencies and Civil Society were viewed as having an important role to play at the local, national, regional and international forums.

**Agenda item 1.: Lessons Learned by past negotiators on Climate Change capacity building by partners, governments and individuals; Improving 'Pacific Island Countries' (PICs) capacity for complex multi-stakeholder negotiations from current climate change negotiators with the following discussions:**

### **1. a. Perspective of Regional Organisations – Espen Ronneberg**

At the Conference of the Parties (COP) meetings on Climate Change (CC), Pacific Island Countries (PICs) have made valuable contributions, through its experienced negotiators, and at the same time struggled against capacity challenges. As PICs face the challenges of CC, they are also realizing that they do not have capacity to participate fully in CC negotiations. The outcomes can affect their negotiated language in the various COP treaties, economic and sustainable development measures. PICs also face challenges on information sharing/ networks, upskilling personnel in COP related negotiations techniques, and in presenting their CC case to the international community. PICs have in the past tried to utilize personnel funded by CROP agencies (programmes/ projects) as their de facto CC teams. The intensity of these COP negotiations/ meetings indicates that PICs need to use all available resources to be competitive at the negotiating table.

Lack of funding, policy frameworks, technical expertise, and infrastructure, have made CROP agencies and development partners critical for specialized assistance. PICs have developed a well-organized structure of regional intergovernmental organizations (IGOs), funded by member contributions, on project activities and programmes. Negotiating CC at the COP meetings is critical for the PICs. Knowledge of the CC negotiations process may also assist PIC negotiators to take on additional CC work in their countries, through the confidence they have gained. There is also a need to maintain a cadre of trained personnel – not necessarily employed by the PIC Governments – but who can be seconded or co-opted to carry out CC work at the COP 16 negotiations.

### **Agenda item 1. b : Perspective of current negotiators – Fiji Government, Alisi Pulini**

Preparatory interaction for the Fiji CC delegation highlighted a goal to identify Fiji's detailed options. The lack of preparation by the Fiji government showed at the COP 15 meetings, as counterpart AOSIS/ SIDS were well prepared on specific areas. Fiji's Department of Environment noted that more emphasis will be placed on the following for COP 16: DPCC network to assist with capacity building (CB) on negotiation skills in preparation for COP/ Climate Change meetings; Assistance with project proposal writing to enable access to Climate Adaptation Funds (CCA); SPREP to organize preparatory meetings for PICs on CCA; and PICs to go as one consolidated voice. In this way, CC concerns and issues are addressed as a group instead of going as individual PICs at COP 16 in Cancun, Mexico.

### **Agenda item 2: PIFS Outcomes of the Pacific Leaders meeting in Vanuatu – Coral Pasisi**

PIF Leaders endorsed the following principles to guide members and development partners in implementing climate change adaptation (CCA) and mitigation measures bearing in mind existing and ongoing efforts in the region. Sufficient and sustainable resources, based on existing and predicted impacts, should be mobilized and made available as a matter of priority. These resources should be easily

accessible and commensurate with administrative and absorptive capacities of PICs and their systems; CCA and mitigation should be integrated into broader national development efforts; Adaptation and mitigation measures should be country-led and supported, in a coordinated way by development partners; and support for these measures should be provided through PIF national and regional systems.

These principles are consistent with the Cairns Compact and the Pacific Islands Framework for Action on Climate Change (PIFACC), and takes into account negotiations with the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC). PIFS Leaders recognized the important role regional and international measures play in supporting national adaptation and mitigation by enhancing capacity and access to resources. The importance of these measures on improved CC science and understanding adaptive capacity was recognized in Vanuatu. In the communiqué, it was agreed that regional coordination of CC financing under the Cairns Compact will be critical to the effectiveness of aid delivery and utilization and agreed to boost the capacity of the Forum Secretariat to perform this function.

### **Agenda item 3 : AOB**

#### Australian AID -

AusAID funding to be reflected in the next meeting as the amounts listed in the 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2010 contained errors. After the Australian government's national elections, then a more articulate presentation will be made available.

#### ADB updates

Pilot Program for Climate Resilience (PPCR): Pacific pilot comprises

- Country-specific interventions: (a) Papua New Guinea (ADB Lead); (b) Samoa (WB Lead); (c) Tonga (ADB Lead);
- Region-wide activities, covering 14 countries (ADB/WB Lead).

At a country level these are based in the National Adaptation Programme of Action (NAPAs) and at a regional level will build on existing frameworks and collaboration at the regional level by countries, regional organizations and development partners. A meeting of Pacific Developing Member Countries (PDMCs) is being organized in Nadi on the 14-15 October 2010. It will comprise a 2 day consultation with 14 PDMCs (representatives from ministries of environment, finance, & planning). It is jointly hosted by ADB & WB, with participation of regional orgs (PIFS, SPREP, SPC, SOPAC) and development partners. Letters of invitation will be sent shortly. This builds on several missions since March 2010. ADB contact is Anne Witheford in PARD, Manila. WB contact is Sam Wedderburn, Washington.

#### Follow up items:

- Next DPPC meeting on the PIFACC review: October 2010 - TBD
- Environment Vulnerability Index (EVI) report: 2005
- Tarawa Climate Change Conference - Nov 2010
- COP 16 Cancun Climate Change meetings - Nov – Dec 2010.
- Attached DPCC network mailing list for the benefit of members: UNDP
- Link Carbon solutions consultancy to Development partners on Climate Change - SPREP
- Update National Climate Change Fund mechanism/ lessons learnt at the next DPCC meeting – Indonesia, Cambodia: TBD

### **Appendices 1 – Participants**

#### Participants:

1. Asian Development Bank (ADB) – Malie Lototele
2. Australian AID (Aust AID) - Ryan Medrana, Marina Illingworth, James Sweeting
3. Deutsche Gesellschaft für Technische Zusammenarbeit (GTZ) – Felix Ries
4. Embassy of the People's Republic of China – Wu Chulai
5. Embassy of the Republic of Indonesia – Pindari Priambodo
6. Embassy of the United States of America (USA) – Sandeep Singh
7. International Union for the Conservation of Nature (IUCN) – Tim Nolan
8. Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat (PIFS) – Coral Pasisi, Alfred Schuster
9. Pacific Islands Geoscience Commission (SOPAC) – Tagaloa Cooper
10. Secretariat for the Pacific Community (SPC) – Marita Manley, Caroline
11. South Pacific Regional Environment Programme (SPREP) – Espen Ronneberg
12. United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) – Toily Kurbanov, Asenaca Ravuvu, Laiakini Waqanisau
13. United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UNESCAP) – Iosefa Maiava
14. University of the South Pacific - PACE: Dr. Lal, Dr Tony Weir, Aliti Koroi, Lisa

#### Apologies:

1. Asian Development Bank (ADB) – Mahendra Kumar
2. South African High Commission – Col. H. Qomoyi
3. World Bank - Emilia (Milina) Battagliani

## Appendices 2 - Development Partners in Climate Change (DPCC) Meeting

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> August 2010 – UNDP Conference Room 10:00 – 13:00 hrs

Time	Agenda Item	Presenter
10:00 - 10:05	1. Opening/Welcome	UNDP/ Toily Kurbanov
	2. Lessons learned by past negotiators on Climate Change capacity building by partners, governments and individuals; Improving Pacific Island Countries' capacity for complex multi-stakeholder negotiations from current climate change negotiators with the following discussions:	
10:05 - 10:45	a) Perspective of regional organizations.	SPREP / Espen Ronneberg
10:45 - 11:05	b) Perspective of current negotiators – Fiji Government;	Alisi Pulini
11:05 - 11:25	c) Discussion	
11:25 - 11:45	3. Outcomes of the Forum Leaders Meeting on Climate Change and relevant issues	PIFS/ Coral Pasisi
12:05 - 12:35	4. AOB	
13:00	End of meeting	