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# Pacific Climate Change Roundtable

## **Towards Economic Resilience: Building Loss and Damage Experiences and Knowledge from Climate Change in the Pacific and Southeast Asia Region**

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# Background

- Residual losses and damages from CC are inevitable.
- More information and knowledge is needed on future CC impacts and on where the limits of adaptation lie.
- New solutions(policies, finances,methods)!



# UNESCO M-FIT Project

## Aims/Approaches to Addressing L & D from Climate Extremes

- Better understanding of loss and damage realities, experiences and lessons learned in the Pacific & SE Asia
- Current Adaptation solutions for addressing L & D
- Gaps/ Limits of adaptation
- New innovative solutions
- Capacity needs and development

# Implementation, Key Partners & Stakeholders

- USP- lead implementing partner
- National University of Malaysia
- Sustainability a key issue considered
- SPREP-WG on L & D
- National Experts
- DLA Piper –Largest global firm on Law to associate/link with project (TBC)
  - Role of Law in Loss and Damage from CC



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# Economic Resilience in the Pacific and Southeast Asia

Building Loss and Damage Experience and  
Knowledge from Climate Extremes in the  
Agriculture and Tourism Sectors

## Climate Extremes

(Rapid and Slow Onset)

**Samoa**

Cook Islands

**Solomon Islands**

Fiji

**Malaysia**

Timor Leste

Unavoided  
?

Loss and  
Damage

Unavoidable  
?

Avoided?



# Earlier Activities

- **Project Entry Point-Phase 1:** Regional conversation/dialogue focused on L & D from Climate extremes in the Agri/Tourism Sectors in Malaysia as part of the International Workshop on Sustainability Science, March 2015.
- Evidence/stories/ examples of L & D realities and lessons learned from:
  - Cook Islands
  - Fiji
  - Samoa
  - Solomon Islands
  - Timor Leste
  - Malaysia



# Future Activities

- Literature review (May/June)
- In-country consultations with selected stakeholders, communities (June/July)
- Capacity building needs (July/Aug)
- Two regional Think Tank Workshops (June and Oct 2015 back to back with two other regional workshops)
  - Regional stakeholders, country rep, PACE-SD, Post graduates
  - In-Depth discussion and ground it with the national core development process at all levels
- Capacity building workshops/trainings
- Communication (Nov 2015-Mar 2016)



# End Thank You

