



One Pacific: First meeting of the Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee (INC-1) to develop a legally binding instrument on plastic pollution

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Our One Pacific Strategy for enhanced,
effective engagement

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Background

The UN Environment Assembly 5.2 held in Nairobi, Kenya from 28 February to 2 March in 2022 saw the adoption of a resolution titled, 'End Plastic Pollution: Towards an internationally legally binding instrument'. By this resolution the Assembly agrees to establish an Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee (INC) to draft the legally binding agreement by 2024. The agreement is expected to address the full lifecycle of plastics, including production, design, and disposal, as well as the design of reusable and recyclable products and materials.

Our Pacific region contributes only 1.3% of global plastic pollution, it does not produce plastic polymers the large molecule chemical compounds that make plastic. Despite this, the Pacific Islands region is grossly and disproportionately affected by its impacts with the highest recorded quantity of floating plastics located in the South Pacific subtropical gyre.

As Large Ocean Island States made up of 98% ocean and 2% land it is imperative that any International Legally Binding Agreement on Plastics introduced for signing, must factor and feature protections for the Pacific Islands region, as much as possible.

The first INC (INC1) will take place in Punta del Este, Uruguay from 28 November to 2 December, this will be preceded by a range of meetings and workshops to be scheduled from 23 November. To help the Pacific Islands region prepare for the INC1, a Pacific Regional Preparatory Workshop for the Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee (INC) was held from 16 to 18 August 2022 in Suva, Fiji which provided the basis for the following strategy. For the purposes of this strategy, this event will be referred to as the "Pacific Prep Meeting".

Five INC meetings will be held across 2023 and 2024. The first will be held in November 2022 with the second and third in April and November 2023 and the fourth and fifth in May and December 2024.

Negotiations will be conducted across six different clusters, those being:

- Cluster 1: Objectives, definitions and structure of work
- Cluster 2: Institutional Framework
- Cluster 3: Sustainable production and consumption
- Cluster 4: Sustainable Product Design and Manufacture
- Cluster 5: Environmentally Sound Waste Management
- Cluster 6: National Action Plans

Before each INC process there will be a Pacific preparatory meeting held for which one will be held in the Pacific Islands region, and the other in New York, to enable participation and strengthened partnerships between the Pacific Small Islands Developing States Missions who also actively engage in the negotiations.

For further information on the journey towards an Internationally Legally Binding Agreement on Plastics, please visit: <https://www.unep.org/events/conference/inter-governmental-negotiating-committee-meeting-inc-1>

For further information with Pacific islands lens on this journey please visit: <https://inc.sprep.org/>

Introduction

This is phase one of two phases of a One Pacific Strategy for enhanced, effective engagement developed by the Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme (SPREP) that will guide coordinated support for our Pacific Islands Members.

Through coordinated efforts, it is aimed that an amplified One Pacific Voice will be heard throughout the INC process, resulting in Pacific concerns incorporated into the new Internationally Legally Binding Agreement on Plastic.

Phase one is the implementation of this document which is the chart to direct SPREP towards the best support possible to help our Pacific Island Members navigate through the first INC (INC1) in Uruguay from 28 November – 2 December 2022. As an initial guide built upon the feedback from our Pacific Island Members attending the Pacific Regional Preparatory Workshop for the Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee, this will be enhanced through the second phase of this activity.

Phase two will begin in 2023 with the adaptation of this plan to incorporate lessons learnt from the INC1 experience, so that it grows to span one INC to the full five INC's across the two-year period. The fuller strategy will be endorsed by Pacific Island Members, noting it will be adaptable at all times, to suit changing circumstances.

The updated strategy will be a working document to help guide the Pacific Islands through the full INC process across two years, to ensure a Pacific voice is reflected in the International Agreement on plastic, that will be put before all UN Members for signing. Ultimately we work together to help achieve the SPREP Vision of a resilient Pacific environment sustaining our livelihoods and natural heritage in harmony with our cultures.

Outcomes

It is hoped that through implementation of this document focusing on INC1, the following outcomes will be achieved on our journey to achieving the SPREP vision :

- An empowered, confident, amplified, one Pacific voice is heard and seen at the First Meeting of the Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee to develop a legally binding instrument on plastic pollution.
- Effective engagement by all Pacific Island delegations buoyed by support delivered through the One Pacific Strategy.
- Pacific “asks” agreed upon and finalised to help guide SPREP coordinated support for Pacific engagement.
- Pacific capacity build through enhanced Pacific negotiations experience in the UNEP INC process.
- SPREP's role as an effective, supportive organisation that works in partnership with our Members is further enhanced.

Our Values on this One Pacific journey at the INC1

Unity

We will work together, in partnership, as One Pacific to help achieve the outcomes of this strategy. SPREP, as an Intergovernmental Pacific regional organisation will strive to provide the best possible support for our Pacific islands Members in partnership with them. In partnership, our Pacific Islands Members will engage at the INC1 to work towards ensuring the One Pacific voice is amplified and reflected in the final legally binding agreement as much as possible.

Respect

While working as One Pacific to implement this strategy, the value of respect for each Pacific Islands Member and their sovereign right in their approach and perspectives throughout the INC process will be acknowledged and adhered to. Where there are converging approaches, the Pacific will work together as One in support of each other to achieve the outcomes of this strategy.

Blue Wave Principals

When undertaking engagement throughout INC1, the Blue Wave Principals of SPREP will be the guide. All communications activities and engagement will be underpinned by the best environmental decisions possible – this is inclusive of all resources developed.

Empowering Pacific Small Islands Developing States

Where possible all opportunities to uplift and build the capacity of Pacific Islanders through this process will be a priority. Where we are able to engage and work with Pacific islands people to build their capacity, we will. We will seek products from Pacific islands businesses and engage with Pacific islands creativity to amplify our voices.

This will help enhance ownership of our work across the INC process and guarantee an authentic Pacific islands voice, while helping to grow Pacific knowledge base and capacity.

All other opportunities to help uplift our Pacific Islanders will also be explored.

Our Pacific Safety

While advancements have been made when it comes to COVID-19, there is still much to be cautious of for these events. Mindful of both the health, and human resource implications of COVID-19, promoting safe practices wherever possible at the INC1 will be of priority. Valuing our Pacific Islands people, and those that we connect with at INC1, all safety measures will be in place throughout available spaces, providing an enabling atmosphere for being as safe as possible. There will be a strengthened message that while our spaces enable safety, the responsibility for maintaining this is the responsibility of each individual.

The application of safe measures against COVID-19 will also be mainstreamed through our communications activities that are undertaken. There is strong consideration given to how COVID-19 will impact the activities undertaken to amplify our Pacific voice, and along every step of the way, the best actions possible will be taken to mitigate this.

Our journey: what we think should be done

Inclusivity

The priority audience of this strategy are our Pacific Islands Members. It is through them that we can enable to Legally Binding Agreement on Plastics that will help achieve the SPREP Vision of **A Pacific environment - sustaining our livelihoods and natural heritage in harmony with our cultures.**

As Members of SPREP, our lens will focus on them through this plan, as our primary audience.

We acknowledge the sovereign right of our Pacific Islands Members when it comes to seeking their accreditation and formalising their national priorities. We respect the role of SPREP as partner of our Members when undertaking this work, and are mindful of the sovereign right of our Pacific Islands Members.

It is with their guidance that an inclusive approach will be taken, guiding us towards different audiences to help implement this plan. We note that our Members understand the role and support potential partners from the private sector, development partners, media, academia, NGO's and otherwise can bring in the development of this Legally Binding Agreement.

Ensuring the Pacific has access to the correct partners that will provide support **in the best interest of the Pacific Islands with diplomacy**, is essential as we voyage together on this journey.

To this end, the role of the Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme (SPREP) will be a valuable one. Each member of the SPREP delegation that attends and supports the INC process will play key roles that support and bring best value to our Pacific Members as well as the Secretariat. The Secretariat will be accountable to our Members.

At every point charted on this journey, it is to our Members that we will seek guidance on how best to approach the inclusivity of others that are like-minded noting the INC process is a negotiations one. Discretion is crucial on this voyage, as well as the understanding as to when this should best be applied. It is also our Members that we will ensure have safe spaces to express their concerns, and share their lessons learnt, as we work towards the best possible Legally Binding Agreement on plastics for our resilient Pacific.

Empowering our Pacific

Starting this journey in a new field can be both daunting and exciting. We are provided with a clear tapa cloth upon which we can chart and present our journey, making our Pacific islands mark upon an agreement that will help protect our Pacific islands people.

Building the confidence of our Pacific islands people to embark on this journey with the skills to face any adversity along the way is a key role of the Secretariat. There are many ways in which we can help do this however we are mindful that we are also learning lessons on this voyage into new territory. Based on this, the types of support we will apply to empower our Pacific Islands will be targeted and focused for the INC1 with the intention to grow this based upon lessons we learn, across INC 2 – 5.

Technical briefs and counterpart expertise working in partnership

Equipping our Members with the right knowledge to help them develop and design their interventions at the INC1 is imperative. To do so, we will draw upon a pool of credible expertise that have the best interests of our Pacific at the forefront of any content or advice they provide. Working in partnership with our Pacific Islands Members is key to assisting with building capacity and understanding the clusters to help develop and guide national preferences also.

On this journey with our One Pacific every endeavour will be made to help build the knowledge, capacity and ownership of our Pacific islands people in this process- approaches will be explored to help drive this. As opposed to developing and creating content for our Members to apply as they wish, in many instances the content creation will be done in partnership together. Ownership of this process is key to helping build confidence of our Pacific Islands.

Understanding, and applying, that expertise is not just one way

Building the right mindset is crucial for an empowered and confident One Pacific on our voyage to the INC1. Work must be undertaken to help build the morale of our One Pacific, so they are able to be seen, and heard, with confidence. Actions must be undertaken to recognise that each of our Pacific Island delegates come from a place of experience and knowledge. While they may need further assistance fully understanding the technical components of the clusters under negotiation, this is something that can be achieved with support from the Secretariat.

Further to this, it must be recognised and acknowledged that our Pacific Islands delegates carry mana as the voice pieces of their nations in this process that will result in a global agreement to lower negative impacts upon their islands homes and people. We must fully understand and make our appreciation known, that our Pacific Island delegates are experts in their own rights. They are the knowledge holders that know our Pacific Islands well, as recipients of the final agreement – based upon this we must uplift our Pacific Islands, so their confidence grows and empowers their engagement at INC1.

Building engagement

Key words to engage within these events is to make interventions from the floor, input into the negotiations, present speeches and statements, build networks and speak from the floor at side events.

Knowing what to say to ensure messaging is heard loud and clear can help empower the person that is speaking to be heard. Having confidence to speak can grow through developing well written, articulate content that has clear messaging.

Further knowing how negotiations work, what the words mean and fully understanding the nuances also builds confidence to strengthen engagement.

Support will be provided to help the One Pacific develop content for delivery be it statements, speeches, interventions or otherwise. This will be continued through for INC2 with the growth in MEA negotiations knowledge.

Coordination

Two main types of coordination will be facilitated to help enhance effective engagement at INC1

- a. An organised approach for our Pacific Islands delegations.
- b. Coordinating support from our partners through SPREP.

The following are the list of actions to be undertaken to ensure the best coordination possible to help achieve our Pacific goals.

Coordination	
Pacific Small Islands Developing States	Pacific Islands Partners
Pacific Island Parties will volunteer to lead each of the six different party clusters noting more than one Pacific Island party can do so to provide support to each other.	Collation of available support from CROP for Pacific delegations within each cluster led by SPREP and/or confirmation of names from CROP available to provide support to Pacific Islands Parties at the INC1.

Pacific SIDS meeting prior to the start of the INC1 negotiations.	Support for a Pacific SIDS meeting prior to the start of the INC1 negotiations.
Daily meetings of the PSIDS negotiations every morning, or evening, if preferred.	Coordination of prep meeting to facilitate brief development
Pacific brief development prior to the event for distribution. A transparent mailing list consisting of names presented on Pacific Island delegations only.	Development and facilitation of a communications and engagement strategy to complement Pacific asks.
A transparent mailing list consisting of names presented on Pacific Island delegations only, unless approved otherwise from Pacific Islands delegations.	Fundraising to support Pacific Islands engagement
Final reports on INC1 outcomes per each cluster.	Coordination of the different types of support for PSIDS and the approaches for these.
Monitoring and evaluation to help improve Pacific engagement at INC's 2 – 5.	

- ***Pacific Island Parties will volunteer to lead each of the six different clusters noting more than one Pacific Island party can do so to provide support to each other.***
- ***Collation of available support from CROP for Pacific delegations within each cluster led by SPREP and/or confirmation of names from CROP available to provide support to Pacific Islands Parties at the INC1.***

As lead coordinators, the Pacific Islands Parties will be responsible for tracking the negotiations and updating the One Pacific on a regular basis and facilitate consultation when required. As a One Pacific team, the leads may call upon fellow Pacific islands Members for support and assistance when needed. The Pacific leads will also be responsible for calling, facilitating and leading meetings when needed. The leads will also apply the best possible platform for the coordination group to ensure instant communications amongst each other noting this may include, but not be limited to, Facebook messenger, WhatsApp or Viber. The mode will be agreed upon by the cluster group to best suit them.

The Pacific Leads will be empowered by technical support coordinated by SPREP to help build capacity and input when required. As the lead regional intergovernmental organisation coordinating this support, SPREP will work to provide technical assistance options for Pacific Leads to approach and decide upon the best way forward for their effective engagement. The technical support available includes sharing links and information for Pacific leads to facilitate cluster-specific coordination/strategy meetings when needed, inclusive of coordinating necessary meeting rooms, times, agenda and leading these meetings.

- ***Pacific SIDS meeting prior to the start of the INC1 negotiations.***
- ***Support for a Pacific SIDS meeting prior to the start of the INC1 negotiations.***

Should Pacific Islands Parties feel there is a need to have a meeting (noting this can be a one hour gathering, or longer) to unit and unite with the Pacific island's delegates attending INC1 while in Uruguay, this can be developed to help ensure efficient coordination of the One Pacific.

As a Pacific partner, SPREP can work in partnership with partners and our Pacific Island Members to coordinate the meeting inclusive of agenda development, assistance to the Chair of the meeting, and facilitating room booking as well as recording notes.

- ***Daily meetings of the PSIDS negotiations every morning, or evening, if preferred.***
- ***Coordination of prep meeting to facilitate brief development***

Understanding the importance of strategic coordination, and to avoid meeting fatigue, regular meetings of PSIDS will be facilitated upon request from our Pacific Islands Parties. These will be chaired by our

Pacific Islands and will allow for a regular update from the leads of each cluster to ensure all Pacific Island delegates are aware and kept updated as to the progress of the INC1 negotiations.

As technical support, SPREP will provide assistance with seeking an available room for a standing room booking, provide support with note taking and agenda development. The outcomes of each coordination meeting will be recorded and shared with Pacific Island delegations.

- ***Pacific brief development prior to the event for distribution. A transparent mailing list consisting of names presented on Pacific Island delegations only.***
- ***Development and facilitation of a communications and engagement strategy to complement Pacific asks.***

Briefs for each cluster will be developed to help guide Pacific Island engagement at INC1. This will be developed as a partnership between the Pacific Island lead for each cluster and the technical lead support to help build the knowledge and capacity of the Pacific island's delegates. Dependent on needs, this brief will outline the current state of play and the preferred One Pacific "ask".

The Pacific brief will be included as part of a communications and engagement strategy that will accompany and complement the One Pacific strategy. The strategy will be developed by SPREP for input from Pacific islands delegates.

- ***A transparent mailing list consisting of names presented on Pacific Island delegations only, unless approved otherwise from Pacific Islands delegations.***
- ***Fundraising to support Pacific Islands engagement.***

An INC1 Pacific mailing list will be developed, it will contain names provided by the Heads of each delegation and will operate as a means of sharing information to the full One Pacific delegation. Where an immediate One Pacific group is also preferred such as through Facebook messenger, or WhatsApp, this will also be applied to help drive instant communication across the wider One Pacific Group. SPREP can support this through collecting the names and securing all names and helping to facilitate the email group as well as/or the immediate message sharing group.

As a Pacific partner, SPREP will seek fundraising support to help implement the INC1 One Pacific strategy and the complementing Communications Strategy.

- ***Final reports on INC1 outcomes per each cluster.***
- ***Coordination of the different types of support for PSIDS and the approaches for these.***

Pacific leads will be responsible for developing a brief outlining the outcomes for each cluster at the end of the INC1 negotiations. This will be due for distribution within two weeks of completion of the INC1 Meeting. This will provide the full One Pacific delegation with the current state of play upon completion of the INC1 and help guide the next steps towards the INC2.

SPREP will provide support as needed for other areas that will enhance coordination, noting this is developed prior to the INC1, and will help allow flexibility of coordination and support.

Our Commitments: What we will do

Inclusivity

- To ensure we keep our lens focused firmly upon our Pacific Islands Members, we will seek their guidance and confirm if they want us to work specifically with a single national focal point as we move forward noting that it will be the responsibility of the focal point to facilitate and coordinate discussion at the national level. This will be verified via an email seeking names.
- Distribution/email lists will only contain the email address of delegates on Pacific Island delegations, an engagement guideline will be shared for those using the email list.
- Pacific Islands Members have indicated their support for the development of a list of technical experts to provide support to them throughout the INC process. This will be facilitated through partnerships that SPREP already has in place with technical experts, followed by an open call as per criteria sought.
- All future sessions will take into account special sessions specifically for Pacific Small Islands Developing States only, be it workshops, meetings or otherwise.

The SPREP delegation to the INC1, and their roles at the INC1 are as per the below. These will be monitored and evaluated to build future lessons and recommendations for more effective support.

SPREP Delegation Member	Role to be measured against	Shared roles across the full SPREP team
Sefanaia Nawadra Director General, SPREP	Head of Delegation	
Anthony Talouli Director Waste Management and Pollution Adviser, SPREP	Head of Delegation/Alternate/Acting Liaise with PSIDS Chair and/or Pacific Chair to provide support and guidance where needed. Support the Pacific Chair/PSIDS Chair at coordination meetings. Manage overall coordination of the SPREP delegation. Fill gaps that arise during the INC1. Point of contact for decision making queries. Manager of the delegation overall. Ensure the SPREP delegation are meeting their roles Help build team morale.	
Andrea Volentras	Cluster support 2 & 4 for Pacific Island Leads: Shadowing the Pacific leads of each cluster. Attend INC1 negotiations under this cluster to provide backstopping guidance as needed. Provide technical advice and guidance to Pacific leads as requested. Work with the Pacific leads to facilitate engagement Coordinate partnerships, and or, linkages to best support the Pacific leads at the INC1. Coordinate the cluster chat list. Work with the lead support to develop brief for cluster and agree upon further briefs needed, thus working together to develop these.	Record notes for the PSIDS coordination meetings as per schedule established by the WMPC Director. Support all intervention and speech development when requested. Provide content for the M and E reports. Support all Pacific voice amplification opportunities. Answer queries raised by the PSDIS

	<p>Work with the lead support to facilitate the necessary assistance with the technical support where needed. Book bilateral rooms when needed Support bilaterals when requested</p>	<p>Remain responsive to email queries as they arise. Support the Pacific SIDS side event as requested and when needed. Sharing of a minimum of three lessons each to help improve the Pacific engagement in the INC process. Undertake work needed to successfully implement the Pacific and Engagement strategies. Provide a two-page stock take on the Cluster outcomes within 2 weeks of the INC completing. Provide a one page report on work undertaken and outcomes to implement the Strategy.</p>
<p>Susana Telakau Solid Waste Officer, SPREP</p>	<p>Cluster support 3 & 5 for Pacific Island Leads: Shadowing the Pacific leads of each cluster. Attend INC1 negotiations under this cluster to provide backstopping guidance as needed. Provide technical advice and guidance to Pacific leads as requested. Work with the Pacific leads to facilitate engagement Coordinate partnerships, and or, linkages to best support the Pacific leads at the INC1. Work with the lead support to develop brief for cluster and agree upon further briefs needed, thus working together to develop these. Work with the lead support to facilitate the necessary assistance with the technical support where needed. Coordinate the cluster chat list. Work with the lead support to develop briefs. Book bilateral rooms when needed Support bilaterals when requested</p>	
<p>Karen Baird, Threatened and Migratory Species Adviser, SPREP</p>	<p>Cluster support 4 & 6 for Pacific Island Leads: Shadowing the Pacific leads of each cluster. Attend INC1 negotiations under this cluster to provide backstopping guidance as needed. Provide technical advice and guidance to Pacific leads as requested. Work with the Pacific leads to facilitate engagement Coordinate partnerships, and or, linkages to best support the Pacific leads at the INC1. Work with the lead support to develop brief for cluster and agree upon further briefs needed, thus working together to develop these. Work with the lead support to facilitate the necessary assistance with the technical support where needed. Coordinate the cluster chat list. Work with the lead support to develop briefs. Book bilateral rooms when needed Support bilaterals when requested</p>	
<p>Anastacia Amoah-Stowers, Multilateral Environmental Agreements Coordinator –</p>	<p>Cluster support 1 & 2 for Pacific Island Leads: Shadowing the Pacific leads of each cluster. Attend INC1 negotiations under this cluster to provide backstopping guidance as needed. Provide technical advice and guidance to Pacific leads as requested.</p>	

<p>ACPMEAs3 Project, SPREP</p>	<p>Work with the Pacific leads to facilitate engagement Coordinate partnerships, and or, linkages to best support the Pacific leads at the INC1. Work with the lead support to develop brief for cluster and agree upon further briefs needed, thus working together to develop these. Work with the lead support to facilitate the necessary assistance with the technical support where needed. Coordinate the cluster chat list. Work with the lead support to develop briefs. Book bilateral rooms when needed Support bilaterals when requested</p>	
<p>Bradley Nolan</p>	<p>Cluster support 3 & 6 for Pacific Island Leads: Shadowing the Pacific leads of each cluster. Attend INC1 negotiations under this cluster to provide backstopping guidance as needed. Provide technical advice and guidance to Pacific leads as requested. Work with the Pacific leads to facilitate engagement Coordinate partnerships, and or, linkages to best support the Pacific leads at the INC1. Work with the lead support to develop brief for cluster and agree upon further briefs needed, thus working together to develop these. Work with the lead support to facilitate the necessary assistance with the technical support where needed. Coordinate the cluster chat list. Work with the lead support to develop briefs. Book bilateral rooms when needed Support bilaterals when requested</p>	
<p>Nanette Woonton Acting Communications and Outreach Adviser, SPREP</p>	<p>Lead for implementation of the INC1 Communications Strategy: Profile and raise Pacific visibility Provide platforms for Pacific voice amplification Support speech and intervention development when requested Capture photographs Develop daily vox pops/social media tiles Support and develop news items Facilitate side event promotional content. Coordinate side event implementation. Facilitate the transparent email list and develop guidelines for use. Help prepare for the PSIDS event on the Sunday evening before the INC1 begins.</p>	
<p>Keni Lesa, Communications Consultant SPREP</p>	<p>Lead for implementation of the Media component of the INC1 Communications Strategy: Develop daily news items</p>	

	<p>Capture daily photographs Manage news distribution Support the profiling and raising of Pacific visibility Support the amplification of the Pacific voice Provide speech and intervention assistance when requested. Capture photographs. Support side event implementation and preparation. Support the PSIDS event on the Sunday evening before the INC1 begins.</p>	
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Pacific Island delegates

Name	Country	Donor	Cluster to follow	Other roles
Halatoa Fua	Cook Islands	SPREP	4	
Cailean Henderson	Cook Islands	SPREP	2	
Tohoa Puna	Cook Islands	UNEP	6	
Sandeep Singh	Fiji	UNEP	2	
Senivasa Waqairamasi	Fiji	SPREP	2	
H.E. Jeem Lippwe	Federated States of Micronesia	SPREP	2 & 6	
Cynthia Ehmes	FSM	UNEP	2 & 6	
Clement Mulalap	FSM		2 & 6	
Teema Biko	Kiribati	SPREP	5	
Vivian Koroivulaono	Marshall Islands	SPREP	1	
Bryan Star	Nauru	SPREP	??	
Grace Garabwan	Nauru	UNEP	??	
Trinya Luinalofa Vilia	Niue	SPREP	6	
Haden Talagi		UNEP	6	
Bernadett Besebes	Palau	SPREP	1	
Veari Kula	Papua New Guinea	SPREP	3	
H.E. Mr. Fatumanava-o-Upolu III Paólelei Luteru	Samoa		5	
Isaia Lautasi	Samoa		5	
Fiasoso Siaoosi	Samoa	SPREP	5	
Kathleen Taituave	Samoa	UNEP	5	
Gemma Nelson	Samoa		5	
Joan Yang	Samoa		5	
Tekau Frere	Samoa		5	
Debra Kereseke	Solomon Islands	SPREP	3	
Mafile'o Masi	Tonga	SPREP	??	
Moe Tuisiga Saitala Paulo	Tuvalu	SPREP	5	

Epu Falega	Tuvalu	UNEP	5	
Tilia Tima	Tuvalu	Virtually	5	
Roselyn Bue	Vanuatu	SPREP	3	
Hugh Henry	Cook Islands	Virtually	5	
Kavnil Lal	Fiji	Virtually	2	
Freliz Fakarii	Solomon Islands	Virtually	3	
Undi Pelobule	Solomon Islands	Virtually	3	
Suliuti Hufanga	Tonga	Virtually	??	
Mele Tovi	Tonga	Virtually	??	

The Pacific delegation to the INC1, will be supported by the following resource persons.

Name	Organisation	Shared roles across the Pacific team
Cameron Colebatch	Australia	
Karina McLachlan	Australia	
Christina Dixon	Environmental Investigation Agency	
Jacob Kean-Hammerson	Environmental Investigation Agency	
David Azoulay	Center for International Environmental Law	
Rachel Radvany	Center for International Environmental Law	
Farrelly, Trisia	Massey University	
Sascha Fuller	University of Newcastle	
Karen Raubenheimer	University of Wollongong	
Alfred Ralifo	WWF	
Kate Noble	WWF	
Tekau Frere	OPOC	

Empowering our Pacific

Technical briefs and counterpart expertise working in partnership

- The list of credible expertise, as well as past experience, will be shared with our Pacific Islands delegations.
- A guide will be shared on how best to develop cluster briefs in partnership with our Pacific Islands leads. Where required, the Pacific Islands lead will be responsible for reporting back.
- Building trust in partnerships will happen through demonstrated support – applying the approach where people work together will aim to build trust between Pacific Islands Members and the technical experts.

Understanding, and applying, that expertise is not just one way

- Pacific Islands leads will be asked to provide briefs on the actions undertaken for their countries (past, current and planned with timelines).
- Pacific Islands will be asked to share anecdotal evidence/Pacific experiences through story, of their own experience of plastic impacting our region.
- Pacific Islands will be asked to share their traditional and cultural knowledge that is being impacted by plastic pollution.

Building engagement

- Technical and communications support will be made available to our Pacific Islands delegations to develop text required. Further assistance will be provided to Pacific islands delegations to fully understand negotiations content, where this is needed.
- Negotiations support will be provided through the Compass Guides, further work to enhance negotiations engagement will be undertaken to support INC2 – INC5.
- Tips and speaking points will be provided to our Pacific Islands delegations as outlined in the Communications component of this strategy.

Coordination

Leads for each negotiation cluster

The Pacific Prep Meeting followed by subsequent work with our Members post-event has resulted in the following. The next step to be finalised is the development of names and finalise briefs that contain our One Pacific “asks”.

Cluster	Pacific lead/s	Technical support contact point and organisation
1 - Objectives, definitions and structure of work	RMI (Vivian) Palau (Bernie) CNMI (Erin)	Sascha Fuller Andrea Volentras Jacob Kean-Hammerson Anastacia Amoa-Stowers Tekau Frere
2 - Institutional Framework	Cook Islands (Tohoa Puna), Federated States of Micronesia (H.E. Jeem Lippwe, Cindy & Clement), Fiji (Sandeep, Senivasa)	Andrea Volentras David Azoulay Anastacia Amoa-Stowers Tekau Frere
3 - Sustainable production and consumption	Solomon Islands (Debra) Papua New Guinea (Veari) Vanuatu (Roselyn)	Susana Telakau Christina Dixon Karina McLachlan Bradley Nolan
4 - Sustainable Product Design and Manufacture	Cook Islands (Halatoa Fua)	Andrea Volentras Karen Raubenheimer Alfred Ralifo Karen Baird
5 – Environmentally Sound Waste Management	Samoa (Fiasoso, Kathleen), Kiribati (Teema), Tokelau (Mika), Tuvalu (Moe, Epu, Tilia) CNMI (Erin)	Susana Telakau Cameron Colebatch Karina McLachlan
6 – National Action Plans	Federated States of Micronesia (H.E. Jeem Lippwe, Cindy & Clement), Cook Islands (Cailean Henderson), Niue (Trinya)	Trisia Farrelly Bradley Nolan Karen Baird Kate Noble Andrea Volentras

Pacific SIDS Meeting prior to the start of the INC1 Negotiations

- SPREP to book a room in advance of the INC1 either at the venue or at a hotel for a meeting
- SPREP to finalise agenda for the meeting
- Pacific to chair the meeting with SPREP support
- SPREP to distribute resources and provide updates

- SPREP to take record notes and distribute

Daily coordination meetings for SIDS

- SPREP to book a room for 20 – 30 people for daily coordination meetings
- Pacific to Chair the Meeting, SPREP to support with agenda development
- SPREP to take notes and email to mailing list within one hour of the meeting ended.
- Pacific to guide who can attend the daily PSIDS meetings
- If room is insufficient, SPREP to facilitate remote/hybrid attendance.

Brief development, engagement strategy and transparent mailing list

- SPREP to develop the template for briefs to be written
- SPREP to develop the communications strategy
- Pacific to confirm their Pacific asks and support brief development with technical expert.
- Pacific to develop brief on national status and plans.

Mailing list and fundraising

- SPREP to develop the transparent mailing list and provide engagement guide
- Pacific to confirm the names they would like on the mailing list
- SPREP to fund business google drive for INC only
- SPREP to raise funds for implementation of the INC1 strategy.

Coordination of different types of support for PSIDS and the approaches for these

- SPREP to work with PSIDS to finalise what these are, noting resource and time constraints
- Pacific Islands Members to confirm what role and support they can provide as partners.

Monitoring and Evaluation: Have we done what we said we would?

Our approach

Developing our own Pacific INC profile through google chrome business upgrade, this will be the sole storage for all work regarding the INC.

It will also contain the M and E elements that will reflect all that is within this strategy.

Everything within this strategy will be translated to the google drive for monitoring and evaluation inclusive of all meeting notes.

SPREP is enhancing accountability in its role by inserting names against all the tasks, for which roles and performance will be evaluated to help guide future engagement.

It must be noted this is the very first INC within a new global agreement, there is a short schedule ahead to see a global agreement come into being. This first INC is a learning one both for SPREP and our Pacific delegations, this M and E will allow for the lessons learnt to be well recorded and help develop the strongest strategy possible for the INC's 2 – 5.

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Our next steps

Upon completion of this work, the monitoring and evaluation will be undertaken to determine just how well the Pacific has worked to achieve its outcomes against this strategy, and how effective the Pacific has been in its strategic engagement and support.

The lessons learnt from INC1, and the experience of INC1, will help guide the work of Phase 2, that being the Pacific Strategy across INCs 2 – 5. This will be developed at the start of 2023 for endorsement from our Pacific Islands delegations.

Also to be developed to suit and guide this strategy and the Pacific asks, is the communications component. This will be completed by 4 October 2022.

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