Oceania Support Centre for Technical and Scientific Cooperation [TSC]

under the Convention on Biological Diversity

SPREP PROE

At the fourth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation (SBI 4) of the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD), the Parties selected 18 regional organisations spanning the globe in a multilateral push to bolster the implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework, also known as the Biodiversity Plan, through science, technology, and innovation. These centres will bring the Parties to the CBD closer to halting and reversing biodiversity loss by 2030. The Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme was endorsed as the Oceania support centre.

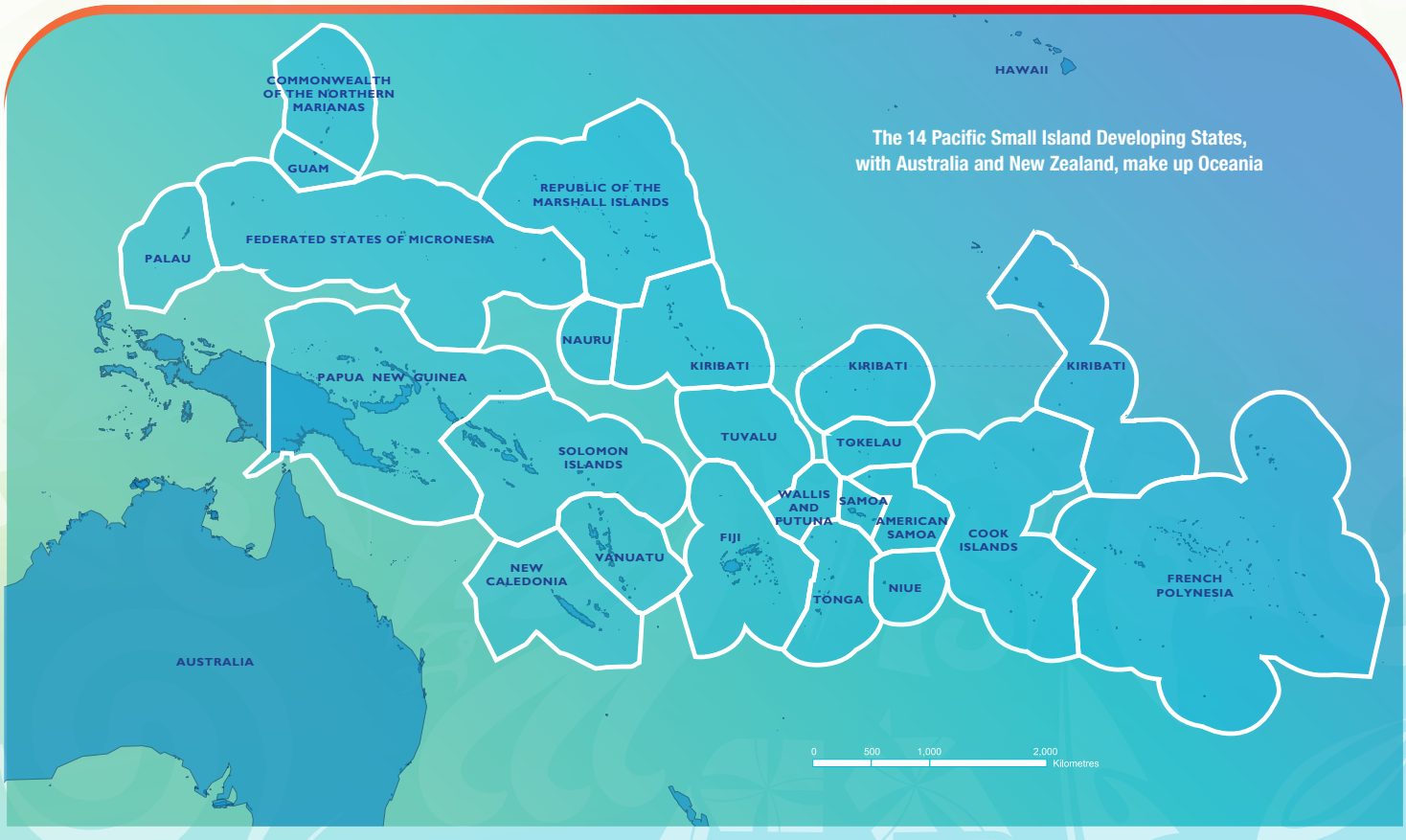
Who We Are

OUR VISION:
A resilient Pacific environment, sustaining our livelihoods and natural heritage in harmony with our cultures

SPREP is the regional organisation established by the Governments and Administrations of the Pacific charged with protecting and managing the environment and natural resources of the Pacific. Established in 1993, SPREP focuses on biodiversity, climate resilience, waste and pollution management, and environmental governance across its 26 Members, including the 14 Pacific Small Island Developing States which are Party to the CBD. SPREP's mandate is to promote cooperation in the Pacific region and provide assistance in order to protect and improve its environment and to ensure sustainable development for present and future generations.

The Role of SPREP as an Oceania Support Centre for TSC

SPREP has been designated in 2024 as the Oceania Support Centre for Technical and Scientific Cooperation (TSC), to help the countries of Oceania implement the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework. TSC focuses on the exchange of knowledge, technology, and expertise among countries to strengthen the implementation of the CBD and its objectives. It facilitates access to scientific tools and resources that are crucial to achieving biodiversity targets.



Supporting conservation and sustainable use of island and ocean biodiversity

As the hub for Oceania, SPREP will facilitate regional and multinational cooperation, sharing expertise to improve biodiversity management and conservation.

Key Focus Areas for the Oceania TSC Hub

Capacity Building: Facilitating training, workshops, and sharing scientific research with Pacific Island nations to bolster national and subregional biodiversity conservation efforts.

Knowledge Exchange and Scientific Cooperation: Promoting the use of best practices and innovative management approaches through international cooperation.

Access to Environmental Data: Connecting Pacific Island countries to high-quality research and technology, improving access to data and tools necessary for biodiversity monitoring and reporting.

Technology Transfer: Facilitating the transfer of new and proven technologies and methodologies for sustainable biodiversity and ecosystem management.

Strengthening across the region, building on existing initiatives

- Enhanced regional collaboration and resource sharing between Pacific Island countries and other CBD Parties.
- Strengthened capacity to protect and restore ecosystems, including those home to globally valuable and endemic marine and island biodiversity.
- Increased opportunities for innovation in biodiversity management tailored to the unique needs of Pacific ecosystems.

With existing partnerships, initiatives and projects spanning environmental governance, island and ecosystem management, climate resilience, and waste management and pollution control, SPREP functions as a coordinating mechanism for countries and partners, under Pacific-led governance.

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