CONCEPT NOTE
FOR THE PIDF NATIONAL CONSULTATIONS

REPUBLIC OF FIJI
THURSDAY 27 - FRIDAY 28 JULY 2017
Fiji Commerce & Employers Federation
Conference Room,
SUVA, FIJI
OUR VISION

A United, Distinctive & Sustainable Pacific Society

OUR MISSION

Enabling Green–Blue Pacific Economies through Inclusive Strategies, Multi-stakeholder Governance, & Genuine Partnerships

PACIFIC ISLANDS DEVELOPMENT FORUM

TOP 10 PRIORITY AREAS

SOFTPOWER & LEADERSHIP

RECOGNITION OF ROLE OF HEALTHY PEOPLE

VALUE OF THE COMMON & COLLECTIVE

LONG TERM FINANCING

MONITORING & EVALUATION OF COMMITMENTS

SUSTAINABLE FINANCIAL SYSTEMS

EDUCATION & CAPACITY

SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORT

FOOD SECURITY

RE-ENERGISING THE PACIFIC
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INTRODUCTION

This Concept Note explains the national consultations workshop on the setting up of Fiji’s National Sustainable Development Board (NSDB), the PIDF’s Strategic Plan, Climate Change Roadmap and Pacific Climate Treaty to be held at the Fiji Commerce & Employers Federation Conference Room (1st Floor 22 Gorrie Street), Suva, Fiji from Thursday 27 - Friday 28 July, 2017.

BACKGROUND

The 2016 PIDF Leaders’ Summit was held on 13th July, 2016 at the Mendana Hotel, Honiara, Solomon Islands. It was attended by the following representatives. A number of major decisions was taken by the Leaders. These are discussed below:

- Peter M. Christian, President of the Federated States of Micronesia
- Josaia Bainimarama, Prime Minister of the Republic of Fiji
- Manasseh Sogavare, Prime Minister of the Solomon Islands
- Teuea Toatu, Minister for Finance and Economic Development of the Republic of Kiribati
- Tregar Albon Ishoda, Deputy Chief of Mission of the Embassy of the Republic of Marshall Islands to Republic of Fiji
- Kim Aroi, High Commissioner of Nauru to the Republic of Fiji
- Siotaima Drew Havea, Chairperson, Pacific Island Association of Non-Governmental Organisation (PIANGO)
- Bruce Sanders, Pacific Island Private Sector Organisation (PIPSO),
- Hernani Coelho da Silva, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste
- Paula Faiva, Climate Change Advisor for the Government of Tokelau
- Aisake Valu Eke, Minister for Finance and National Planning of the Kingdom of Tonga
- Taukelina Finikaso, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade of Tuvalu
- Jenny Tevi, Senior Advisor of the Republic of Vanuatu.

Climate Change Roadmap

The implementation of the Paris Agreement and the development of related modalities for transparency, access to technology, capacity building and finance, in addition to realizing the necessary actions in adaptation and mitigation remain the fundamental priorities for the region. A Climate Change Roadmap on how these may be addressed was presented to Leaders who directed that further consultations be undertaken with a report to be tabled at the next Summit in 2017.

Pacific Climate Treaty

Leaders considered a proposal for a “Pacific Climate Treaty” which was a result of an initiative by the Pacific Islands Climate Action Network (PICAN) and other NGOs. The Leaders noted the Draft Treaty and asked the PIDF Secretariat to conduct thorough consultation, particularly at the national level and report back to the next Summit.

PIDF Draft Strategic Plan (2017-2020)

The PIDF Secretariat presented the first draft of its strategic plan (2017-2020). The Leaders mandated that the PIDF Secretariat undertake a thorough consultation process on the Strategic Plan (2017-2020), with the outcome to be presented to the Conference in 2017.
National Sustainable Development Board

The PIDF Charter provides for the establishment of the NSDB in all PIDF member country and territory. The Senior Officials Committee of the PIDF in its meeting in July 2016 had mandated the setting up of the NSDB in member countries by the first quarter of 2017.

Purpose

The purpose of this Concept Note is to discuss the Fiji national workshop that will be conducted in Fiji by the PIDF to facilitate the above purposes.

Scope

This Concept Note is limited to the workshop that will be conducted in Fiji for Fiji stakeholders. Similar workshops have been conducted in other PIDF member countries: Federated States of Micronesia, Kiribati, Nauru, Republic of the Marshall Islands, Solomon Islands, Timor - Leste, Tokelau, Tuvalu, Vanuatu. A special workshop for regional CSOs have just been concluded in Suva. Tonga remains the final PIDF member yet to host its workshop.

Workshop Objectives

The objectives of the workshop are as follows:

- Increase awareness of the PIDF, the NSDB, proposed PIDF Strategic Plan, PIDF Climate Roadmap and the proposed Pacific Climate Treaty;
- Explore the local multi-stakeholder committee that can assume the role of the NSDB;
- Explore likely three nominees as interim representatives to the MRC;
- Seek feedback on the proposed PIDF Strategic Plan, PIDF Climate Roadmap and the proposed Pacific Climate Treaty.

Workshop Outcomes

The outcomes of the workshop are:

- Greater awareness of the PIDF, the NSDB, the PIDF Strategic Plan, Climate Roadmap and Pacific Climate Treaty;
- Consensus on the local multi-stakeholder committee that can assume the role of the NSDB; and
- Consensus on likely three nominees as interim representatives to the MRC;
- Initial feedback on the PIDF Strategic Plan, Climate Roadmap and Pacific Climate Treaty.

Methodology

The workshop will be conducted over one and half days by the PIDF Deputy Secretary General Mr Penijamini Lomaloma and PIDF Team Leader Program Management Mr Mark Borg. There will be presentations on the PIDF, the NSDB, the PIDF Strategic plan, the Climate Roadmap and the Pacific Climate Treaty.

This is a paperless meeting. Workshop materials can be downloaded by participants from the following link: http://pacificidf.org/pidf-publications/.

A USB containing workshop materials will be distributed to all participants at the start of the workshop. There will be group work on the existing national structures that can assume the role of NSDB, on likely three nominees as interim representatives to the MRC and on the PIDF Strategic Plan. A participation certificate will be presented to all participants that should facilitate their consideration as likely members of the NSDB.
Participants

Twenty (20) participants from a diagonal slice to be invited by the Fiji Government that can contribute to the dialogue on the NSDB, PIDF Strategic Plan, the PIDF Climate Change Roadmap, and the Pacific Climate Treaty. Participants must be drawn from the public sector, private sector and civil society who can be considered for membership of the NSDB.

Workshop Logistics

The Fiji Government is requested to provide the following assistance please:

- Invite appropriate senior official to open and close the workshop and present participation certificates;
- Invite 20 participants from Government, Private Sector and Civil Society likely to serve in the NSDB, and other parties from Government, Private Sector and Civil Society that can contribute to the dialogue on the PIDF Strategic Plan, the PIDF Climate Change Roadmap, and the Pacific Climate Treaty.

The PIDF will provide the following assistance:

- Arrange a suitable venue;
- Provide audio-visual equipment;
- Provide workshop materials and stationaries;
- Arrange morning and afternoon tea and lunch.

Further Information

For further information please contact either Mr. Penijamini R. T. Lomaloma or Mr. Mark Borg at:

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# ANNEX 1 - PROGRAM OF PIDF CONSULTATION WORKSHOP

**THURSDAY 27 - FRIDAY 28 JULY 2017**

Fiji Commerce & Employers Federation Conference Room, 22 Gorrie Street, Suva.

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<td>Official Opening</td>
<td>Opening Formalities</td>
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<td>Presentation on the PIDF</td>
<td>Participants gain awareness of the PIDF</td>
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<td>10.30</td>
<td>Presentation on the NSDB</td>
<td>Participants understand the NSDB, identify possible local NSDB identify possible MRC interim reps</td>
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<td>11.30</td>
<td>PIDF’s Strategic Plan</td>
<td>Participants understand in detail the mission, purpose and functions of PIDF, the process undertaken to develop the draft strategic plan, the documents consulted in the process and the current contents of the draft strategic plan.</td>
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<td>12.30</td>
<td><strong>LUNCH</strong></td>
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<td>14.00</td>
<td>Working groups to assess PIDF’s 4 clusters of action</td>
<td>Participants would contribute ideas and suggestions on the relevance for the country of the PIDF 2017-2020 planned objectives and discuss the activities that would deliver the identified objectives</td>
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<td>Reporting of the 4 working groups and discussion on the Strategic Plan objectives and proposed activities</td>
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<td>PIDF’s Climate Action</td>
<td>Participants understand the Suva Declaration and the Pacific Leaders’ successes with the Climate negotiations and the Paris Agreement. They will also appreciate the limitations of the Paris Agreement and the need for higher ambition action</td>
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<td>The PIDF Climate Roadmap</td>
<td>Participants understand the need of a climate roadmap and the elements in the roadmap. Participants would contribute opinions on how the PIDF roadmap could contribute to CC efforts within their own countries and whether it would have a positive impact on their communities.</td>
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<td>The Pacific Climate Treaty</td>
<td>Participants understand the proposed climate treaty and its articles. Participants would contribute opinions on the treaty and its application in the region and their country.</td>
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<td>Closing Session</td>
<td>Presentation of Certificates and Closing Formalities</td>
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