Welcome to PIDF

PIDF is a unique platform bringing together leaders from the public and private sectors and civil society to address regional development challenges, through mutually beneficial innovative partnerships. No one sector in society can deliver the complexities of sustainable development alone. PIDF uses the expertise of the private sector, normative leadership of the public sector, and successful delivery mechanisms of civil society. It provides a framework for bringing together governmental, business and civil society leaders to secure concrete commitments and mobilize action in support of the Green Economy.

Why PIDF?

Given its whole of Society and multi-stakeholder format and its focus on a balanced integration of the economic, social and environmental dimensions of sustainable development through the green economy the PIDF could provide an appropriate link to the High Level Political Forum processes envisaged under The Future We Want.

Bird: Petrel Source: New Caledonia Storm-petrel Expedition
Senior Officials Committee of the Pacific Islands Development Forum endorsed the appointment of Mr Amena Yauvoli as the Interim Secretary General of the PIDF. The Committee also appointed His Excellency Mr Patterson Oti as its new Interim Chair.

Mr Yauvoli replaces Mr Feleti Teo who resigned last month to take up his new appointment as Executive Director of the Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission (WCPFC). Ambassador Oti, Solomon Islands High Commissioner to Fiji, replaces Ambassador Gershon Jackson of the Federated States of Micronesia.

Mr Yauvoli previously served as the Permanent Secretary for Foreign Affairs of Fiji. Apart from other senior Fiji Government appointments Mr Yauvoli had also served as Senior Policy Adviser for Sustainable Development with the Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme (SPREP) from January 2004 to December 2005 and Manager/Director of the Secretariat of the Pacific Community North Pacific Regional Office, Kolonia, Pohnpei State, Federated States of Micronesia from February 2008 to December 2012.

Mr Yauvoli’s appointment is for six months up to the conclusion of the Third PIDF Leaders Summit scheduled for 12-14 August 2015 where a substantive SG will be announced.

Mr Amena Yauvoli

NEW INTERIM SG FOR PIDF

Mr Feleti Teo

FAREWELL OF MR. FELETI TEO
Public feedback is sought on the governing instrument establishing the PIDF.

A consultative process leading to the drafting of the agreement establishing the PIDF is underway, this launch of the Pacific’s first ever-online public consultation on the design of an international organization for the Pacific. The PIDF Agreement will set out key institutional and organizational arrangements for the Pacific’s only inclusive and multi-stakeholder organization, the PIDF. The Terms of Reference for the development of the PIDF Agreement anticipated a broadly participatory and consultative process.

A three-tier strategy has been developed involving consultations with the PIDF Senior Official’s Committee, meetings of regional leaders from PIDF countries and an online campaign. A key element in the engagement strategy is the launch of online public consultations to engage as widely as possible. Individuals, civil society organizations, public sector and the private sector will have the opportunity to provide feedback on the proposed contents of the agreement. The public online consultation campaign will use a specially designed feedback page on the PIDF website to comment on institutional and budgetary principles and models to bring alive the PIDF vision of Building a United, Distinctive and Sustainable Pacific Society. Simply going to http://pacificidf.org/feedback/ can access the feedback page.

The objective is to enable the people of the Pacific to have a say in the design and establishment of the PIDF Agreement. The new agreement is planned to be tabled before Leaders at the third PIDF Summit from 12 - 14 August for necessary approval and adoption. The launch which was hosted by the Interim Secretary General of the PIDF Mr. Amena Yauvoli and carried out in the presence of diplomats from Pacific Missions in Suva H.E. Patterson Oti, High Commissioner, Solomon Islands and Interim Chair of the PIDF Senior Officials Committee.
PARTNERSHIPS

SPECIAL CHINESE ENVOY MEETS PIDF ISG

The Interim Secretary General of the Pacific Islands Development Forum Mr Amena Yauvoli this received the visiting Chinese Special Envoy to the China-Pacific Islands Forum Dialogue His Excellency DU Qiwen, at the PIDF Secretariat.

Read More: http://pacificidf.org/special-chinese-envoy-meets-pidf-isg/

IRANIAN ENVOY MEETS PIDF ISG

Ambassador of Iran to Fiji His Excellency Jalaladdin Namini Mianji, visited PIDF secretariat where Interim ISG explained the unique role the PIDF has in the region in bringing about transformative changes through a development pathway.

Read More: http://pacificidf.org/iranian-envoy-meets-pidf-isg/

REGIONAL PROGRAM LEADER MEETS PIDF ISG

Resident Co-Director of the University of Hawaii’s East-West Center’s Pacific Islands Development Program (PIDP) Dr Gerard Finin, at the PIDF Secretariat, Dr Finin’s visit was to brief the PIDF on the PIDPs plans for 2015 especially their proposed Pacific Islands Conference of Leaders (PIC) meeting in Washington DC scheduled for later this year.

Read More: http://pacificidf.org/regional-program-leader-meets-pidf-isg/
PORTUGAL CALLS ON PIDF ISG

Non-Resident Ambassador for Portugal to Fiji His Excellency Paulo Cunha Alves, was welcomed at the PIDF Secretariat by ISG Amena Yauvoli. Mr Yauvoli expressed the confidence that Portugal and the PIDF can build on their good relations and work collaboratively in helping the Pacific transition to climate compatible development.

Read More: http://pacificidf.org/portugal-calls-on-pidf-isg/

PIDF ISG MEETS INDONESIAN AMBASSADOR

The Interim Secretary General of the Pacific Islands Development Forum Mr Amena Yauvoli received His Excellency Gary Rachman Makmun Jusuf the Ambassador of Indonesia to Fiji. Ambassador was thanked for its support to the PIDF as shown in the participation as Chief Guest at last year’s PIDF Summit of His Excellency Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono President of the Republic of Indonesia.

Read More: http://pacificidf.org/pidf-isg-meets-indonesian-ambassador/

PIDF BRIEF FIJI’S PACIFIC HEADS OF MISSIONS

The Heads of Fiji’s Diplomatic Missions in Canberra, Wellington and Port Moresby were in Suva for their annual planning meeting; they visited the PIDF to be briefed on its activities and plans for the future.

Read More: http://pacificidf.org/pidf-brief-fijis-pacific-heads-of-missions/
Thank you so much for joining us in our very First Edition of Newsletter

If you have any queries or any other information that would help us to bring out this Newsletter more interesting, than please do let us know on the address given below. We would really appreciate your feedbacks and information provided to us.

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