

SYMPOSIUM: SDG14 Pacific commitments - 2018 Action Agenda

19 December 2017
Suva, Republic of Fiji

TENTATIVE PROGRAMME



TIME	SESSION
Facilitator:	
8.30 – 8.40	Registration
8.45 – 8.50	Invocation – Pastor James Bhagwan - Chaplain of the Fiji Voyaging Society, the Uto Ni Yalo Trust
8.50 – 9.10	Welcome Remarks and Introduction to the meeting – François Martel, Secretary General, PIDF Remarks - Ambassador Peter Thomson, UNSG's Special Envoy for the Ocean
9.10 – 9.20	Opening Remarks – Permanent Secretary for Fisheries, Sanaila Naqali
9.20 – 9.50	Call for Action and Voluntary Commitments Objective: To present a summary of the Call for Action and detailed assessment of the global and Pacific voluntary commitments. Communities of Ocean Action Objective: To present on the recently launched Communities of Ocean Action and encourage discussion on regional participation. Speaker: Ambassador Peter Thomson, UNSG's Special Envoy for the Ocean <i>Discussion</i>
9.50 – 10.20	Ocean Pathway Partnership Initiative Objective: To present on the Oceans Pathway Partnership Initiative and discuss plans for its implementation. Speaker: Nilesh Prakash Director Climate Change, Ministry of Economy, Fiji <i>Discussion</i>
10.20 – 10.40	Outcomes of the Pacific Blue Economy Conference (PBEC) Objective: To present on the outcomes of PBEC and discuss a way forward to developing blue economies for the Pacific. Speaker: Arpana Pratap, PIDF Team Leader Member Capacity <i>Discussion</i> WWF Voluntary Contribution Implementation Update

	Speaker: Kesaiia Tabunakawai (Representative, WWF-Pacific)
10.40 – 11.00	<i>Tea/Coffee Break / Photo Session</i>
11.00 – 12.30	<p>SDG14 Support Activities and proposed programme for 2018</p> <p>Facilitator: Ambassador Peter Thomson, UNSG's Special Envoy for the Ocean</p> <p>Objective: To discuss and contribute to the action plan for the regionally desired activities for the implementation of SDG 14.</p> <p><i>Discussion</i></p>
12.30 - 12.45	<p>Wrap up François Martel, Secretary General, PIDF</p>
12.45 – 1.00	<p>Closing Remarks His Excellency Pateson Oti, High Commissioner of Solomon islands to Fiji and Chair of PIDF Senior Officials Committee</p>
1.00 – 2.00	<i>Lunch</i>

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