

SIDS Partnership Symposium

Advancing partnerships in support of the new
Programme of Action for
Small Island Developing States

(Co-organised by UNDESA & UNESCAP)

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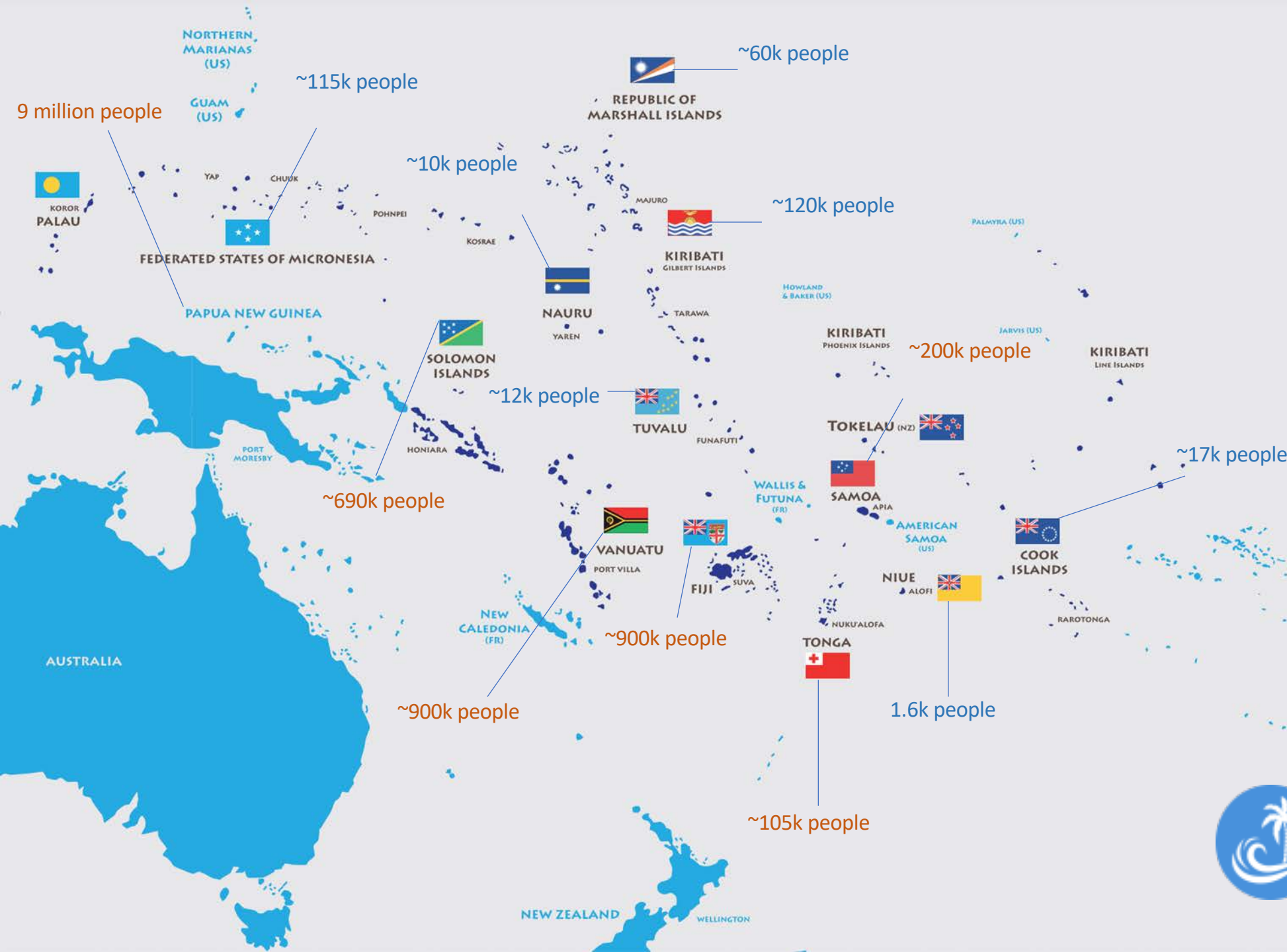
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Pacific*

14 members:

Fiji, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Micronesia (Federated States of), Nauru, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu and Vanuatu

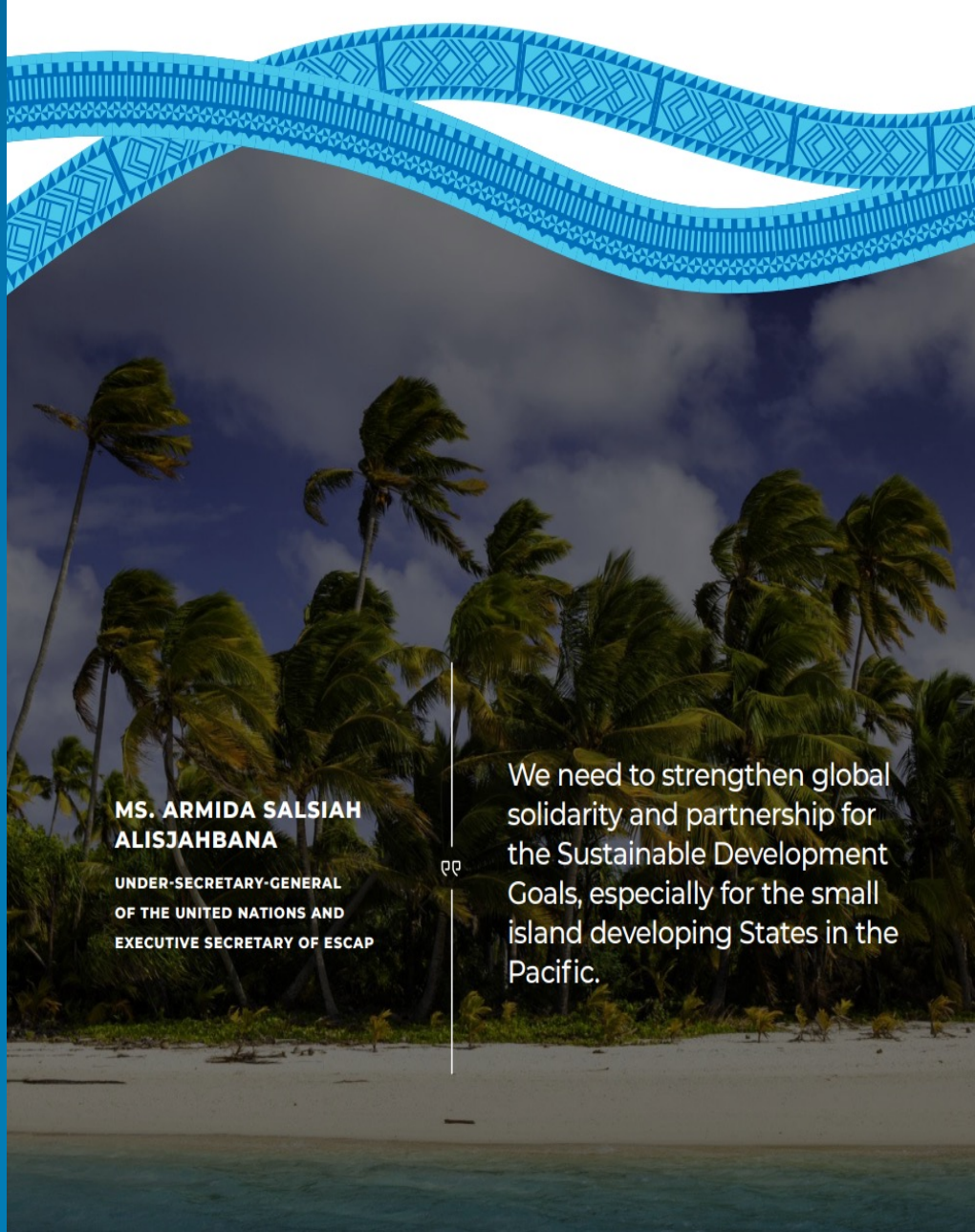
Australia, New Zealand

7 Associate members:

American Samoa, the Cook Islands, French Polynesia, Guam, New Caledonia, Niue and the Northern Mariana Islands

***Timor-Leste for Pacific SIDS**





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ALISJAHBANA**

UNDER-SECRETARY-GENERAL
OF THE UNITED NATIONS AND
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY OF ESCAP

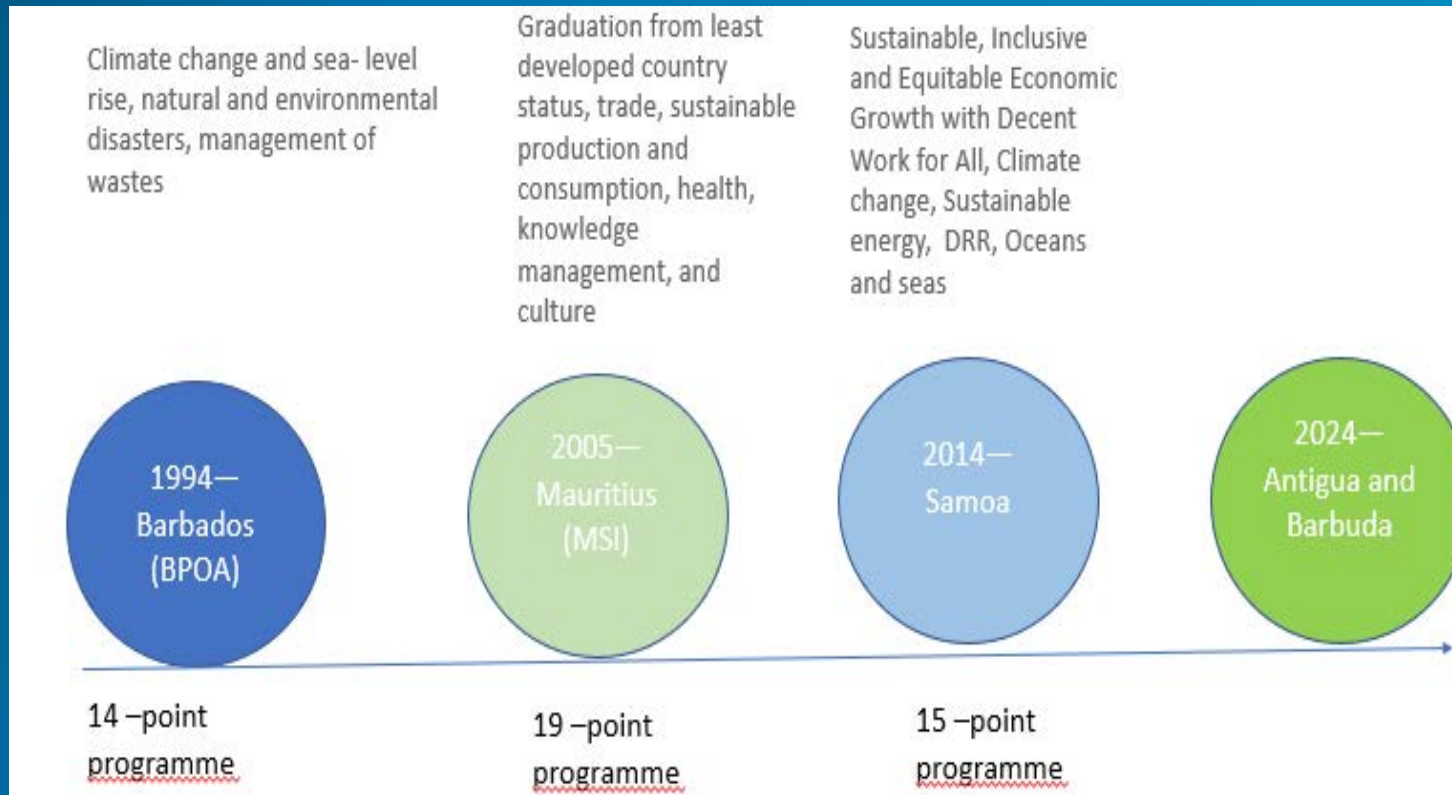
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We need to strengthen global solidarity and partnership for the Sustainable Development Goals, especially for the small island developing States in the Pacific.

Introduction



Partnerships for SIDS4 International Conference



Pacific SIDS 10-year Review Meeting
Tonga, 15-17 August 2023



Partnerships for Pacific Perspectives



Prepare against unknown shocks

A



Explore new socio-economic opportunities

B



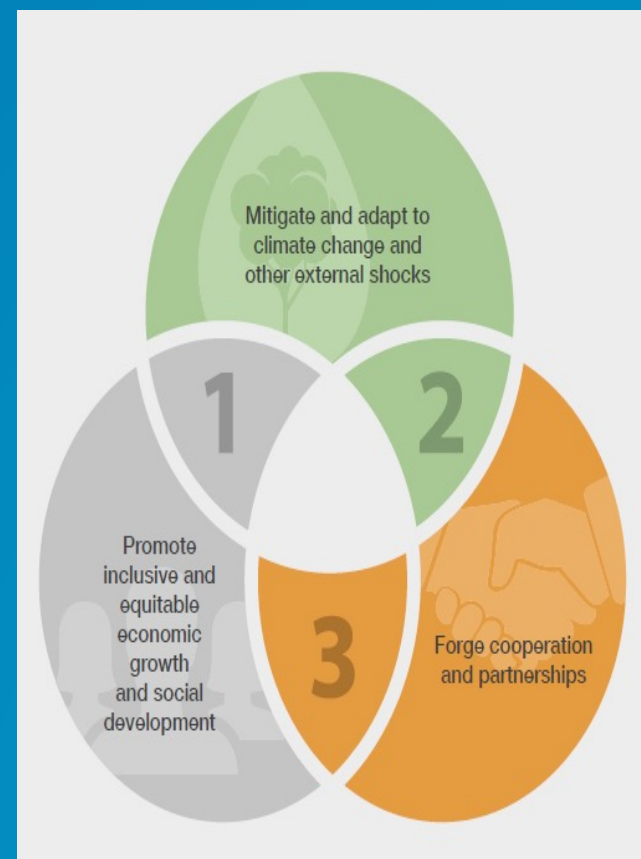
Synergize sectoral strategies

C



Scale up blue-green economy strategies

D



PACIFIC PERSPECTIVES 2023

ADVOCATING THE ASPIRATIONS OF SMALL ISLAND DEVELOPING STATES





Key Pacific Initiatives and Concrete Actions

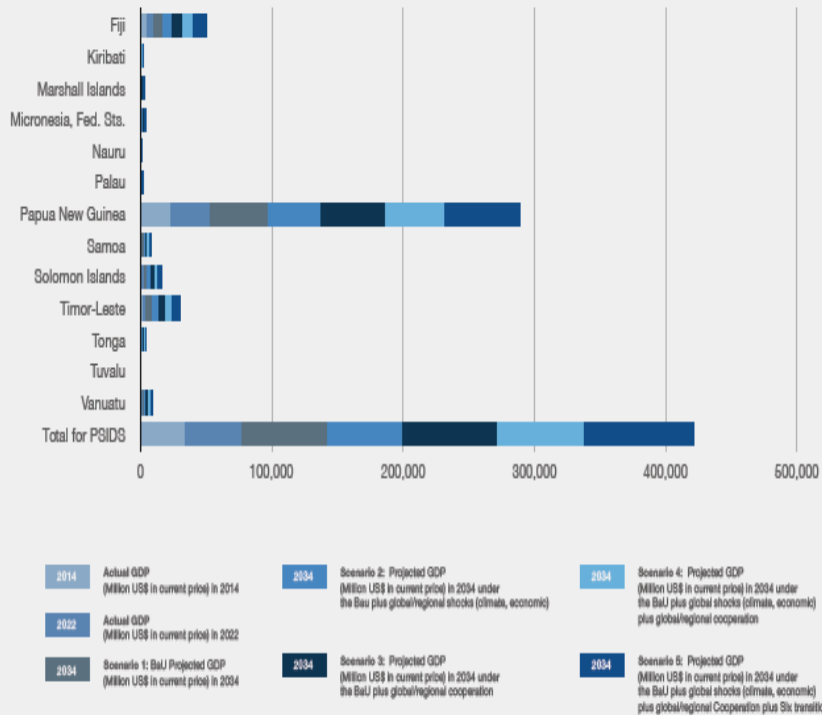
- 2050 Strategy for the Blue Pacific Continent
Implementation Plan
Pacific Climate Change Centre
- The United Nations Sustainable Development
Cooperation Framework in the Pacific
Biodiversity Beyond National
Jurisdiction (BBNJ) agreement
- ESCAP Resolution “Building back better from crises
through regional cooperation in Asia and the Pacific”
Pacific Resilience Facility
Partnership for Prosperity
- Strategic Framework for Pacific Statistics 2022–2030





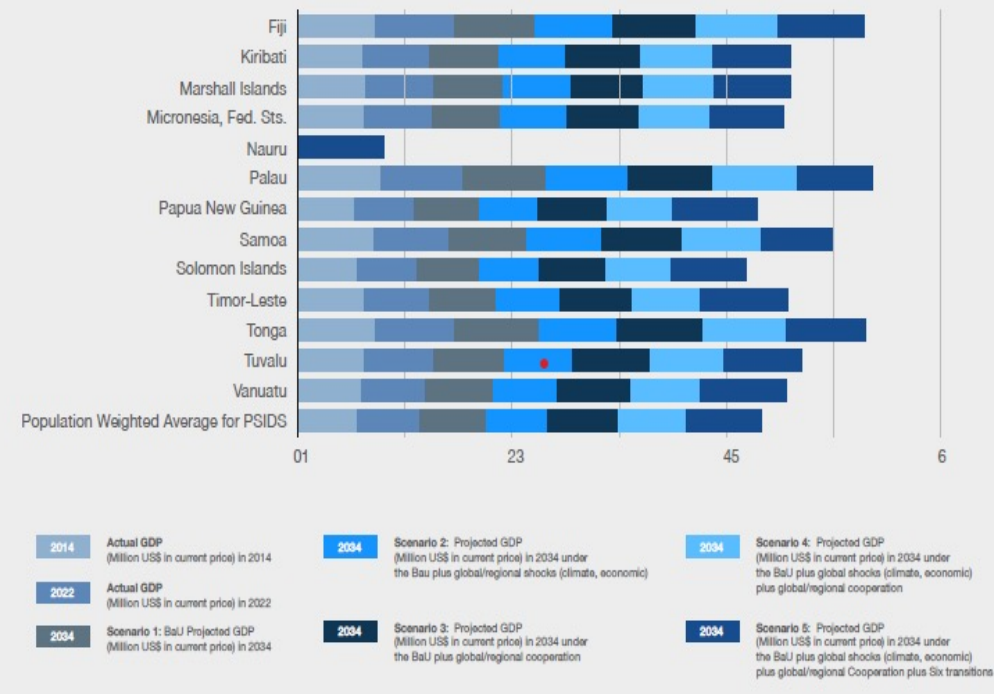
Pacific Cooperation and Global Solidarity

Table 3.1: Impact on GDP (US\$ millions at current price)



Source: Simulation exercises

Table 3.3: Impact on Human Development Index (HDI)



Source: Simulation exercises

By investing in global/regional cooperation, countries are expected to reap benefits through gains in economic growth and employment creation, while contributing to sustainable development and promoting solidarity in the Pacific.



Harness the Power of Partnership



- **Inclusive and equitable growth, while strengthening governance and private sector investment**
- **Integrate disaster-climate-health nexus; strengthen ocean and climate policy synergies; promote climate-smart and digital trade policy measures; and enable sustainable energy transitions**
- **Forge cooperation and enduring partnership for sustainability, long-term commitment and knowledge sharing**



H.E. Fiame Naomi Mata'afa

PRIME MINISTER OF SAMOA

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ESCAP, 2022

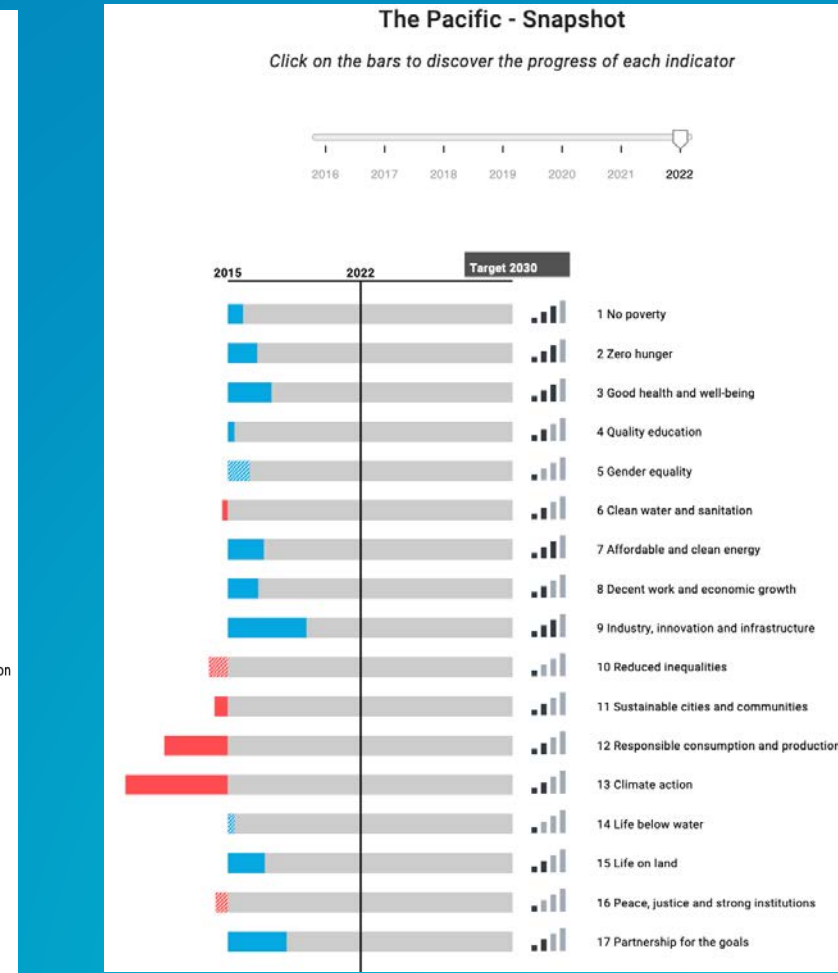


We are all aware that regional cooperation is a critical factor in the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals.

Pacific Priorities for accelerated action



Partnerships for SDG Progress





Partnerships in Advancing Pacific Priorities

**Climate change,
oceans, and disaster
risk reduction including
financing**

**Social inclusion,
empowerment &
Economic development**

**Regional integration
and connectivity,
including trade, energy
& technology**

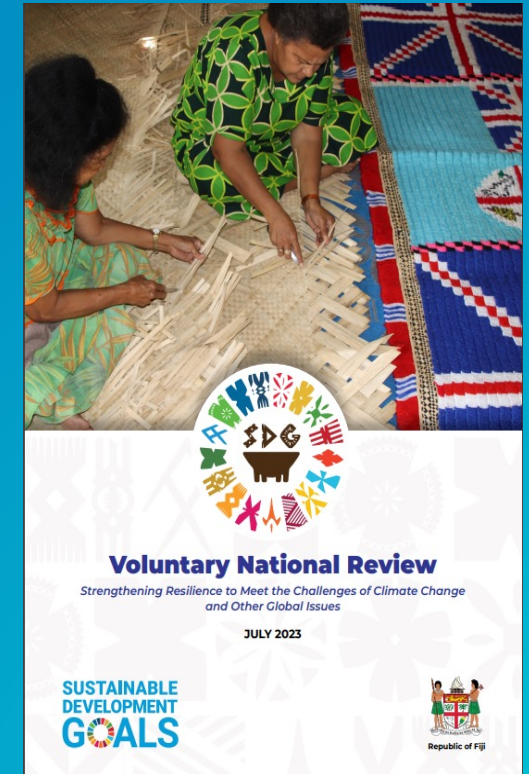
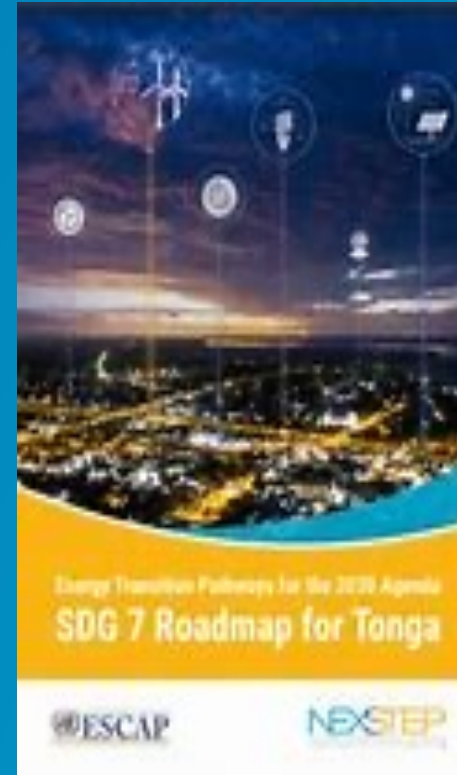
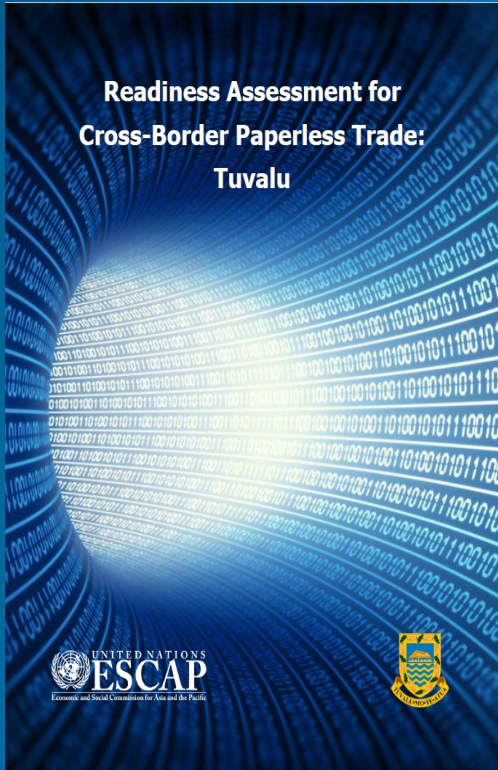
**Evidence-based
policymaking (Data and
statistics)**

**Capacity Building and
Local Expertise
including South-South
/Triangular
Cooperation**

**UNSDCF 2023-2027
PIFS 2050 Strategy**



Partnerships for Technical Cooperation





H.E. David Kabua

**PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC
OF THE MARSHALL ISLANDS**

**77TH SESSION OF THE COMMISSION,
ESCAP, 2021**

International system must
continue to adjust for our
island subregion in specific
deliverable programming
approaches, not just in spirit
or good intention.

Pacific subregional architecture



Partnerships for Implementing Pacific Agendas



ESCAP-PIFS MoU



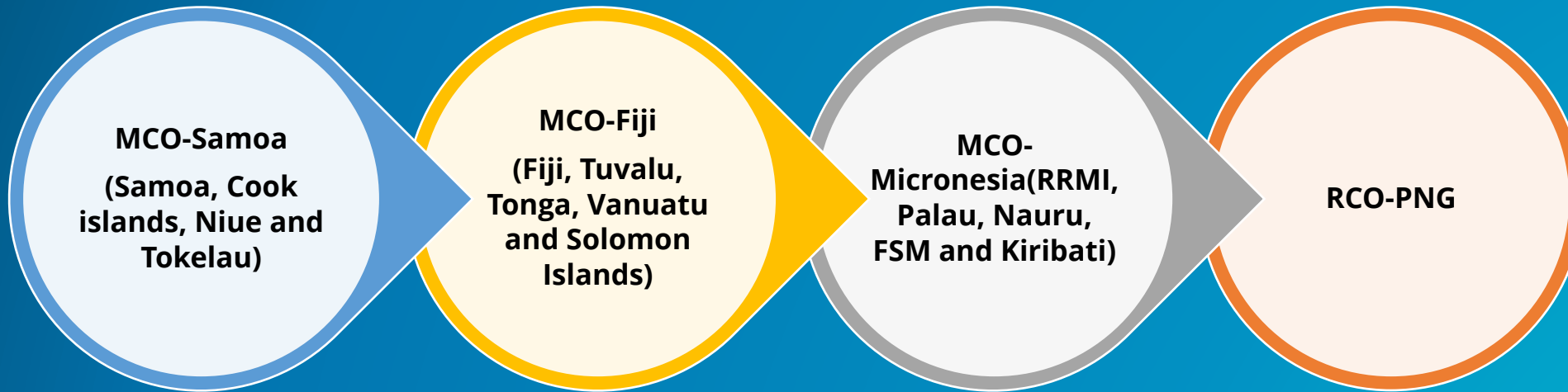
ESCAP-SPC MoU



ESCAP-SPREP MoU

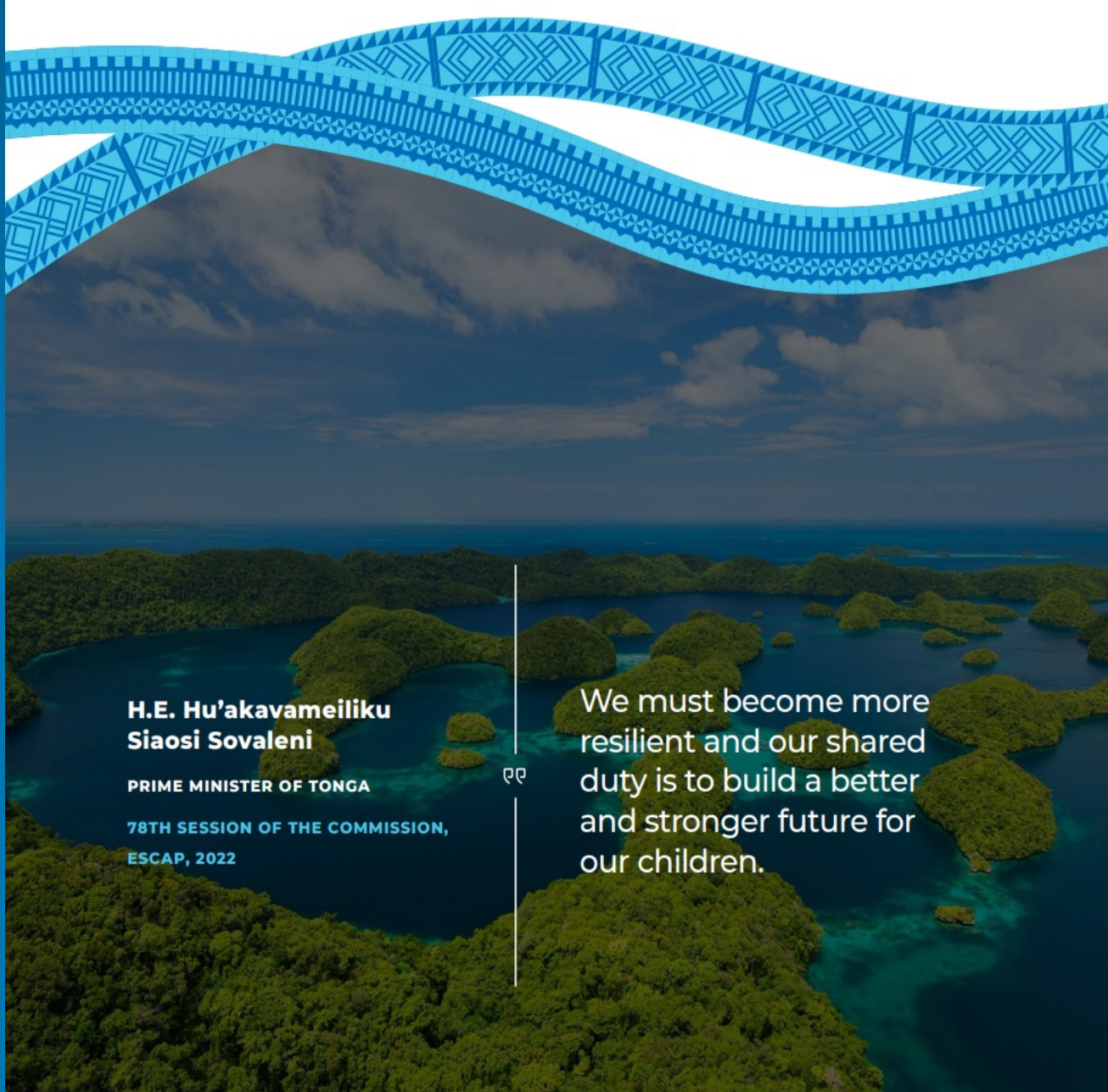


United Nations Development System in the Pacific



Thematic areas:
Planet, People, Prosperity and Peace

- Common Country Analysis
- Cooperation framework 2023/24-2027/28
- Country Implementation Plans
- Country-level Reporting



**H.E. Hu'akavameiliku
Siaosi Sovaleni**

PRIME MINISTER OF TONGA

**78TH SESSION OF THE COMMISSION,
ESCAP, 2022**



We must become more
resilient and our shared
duty is to build a better
and stronger future for
our children.

Facilitating intergovernmental dialogue: Pacific Representation



Partnerships for Pacific SDG Forum (with PIFS, 21-22 November 2023)

Key areas to strengthen partnership

SDG 1 (No poverty), SDG 2 (Zero hunger) - Impact of Polycrisis on Poverty and Food Security

SDG 16 (Peace, justice, strong institutions) – Tackling the Challenges through Good Governance and Partnerships

SDG 13 (Climate Action) – Accelerating Climate Action in the Pacific

Accelerating Full Implementation of the 2030 Agenda through Voluntary National Reviews (VNR)

SDG 17- Fostering Stronger Regional Cooperation and Partnerships for Reinforcing the 2030 Agenda and the 2050 Strategy for the Blue Pacific Continent

Strengthening global solidarity for the SIDS Development Agenda





Partnerships for Asia-Pacific SDG Forum

11th APFSD: 20-23 February 2024

- Examine how to accelerate the implementation of the SDGs, with a focus on the compounding of crises faced by the region, while ensuring that recovery is made resilient, inclusive, and sustainable.
- Conduct in-depth review of **SDGs 1, 2, 13, 16 and 17**, whilst also considering the integrated, indivisible, and interlinked nature of all the Sustainable Development Goals.
- Support the presentation of voluntary national reviews for the 2024 HLPF.
- Discuss opportunities to strengthen linkages between national, regional, and global follow-up and review.
- Identify short, medium, and long-term solutions for attaining the 2030 Agenda
- **Subregional Perspectives**
 - **SDG Round Tables**
 - **Side events, Associated events and Exhibitions**
 - **CSO engagements (AP-RCEM)**
 - **ESCAP Sustainable Business Network**





Partnerships for Asia-Pacific Regional Cooperation

UNESCAP Commission session: 22-26 April 2024

Theme topic: Leveraging digital innovation for sustainable development in Asia and the Pacific

Leaders Statement –General Debate

Subregional Perspectives

Special Body on LDCs, LLDCs and SIDS

Review of the implementation of the 2030 Agenda



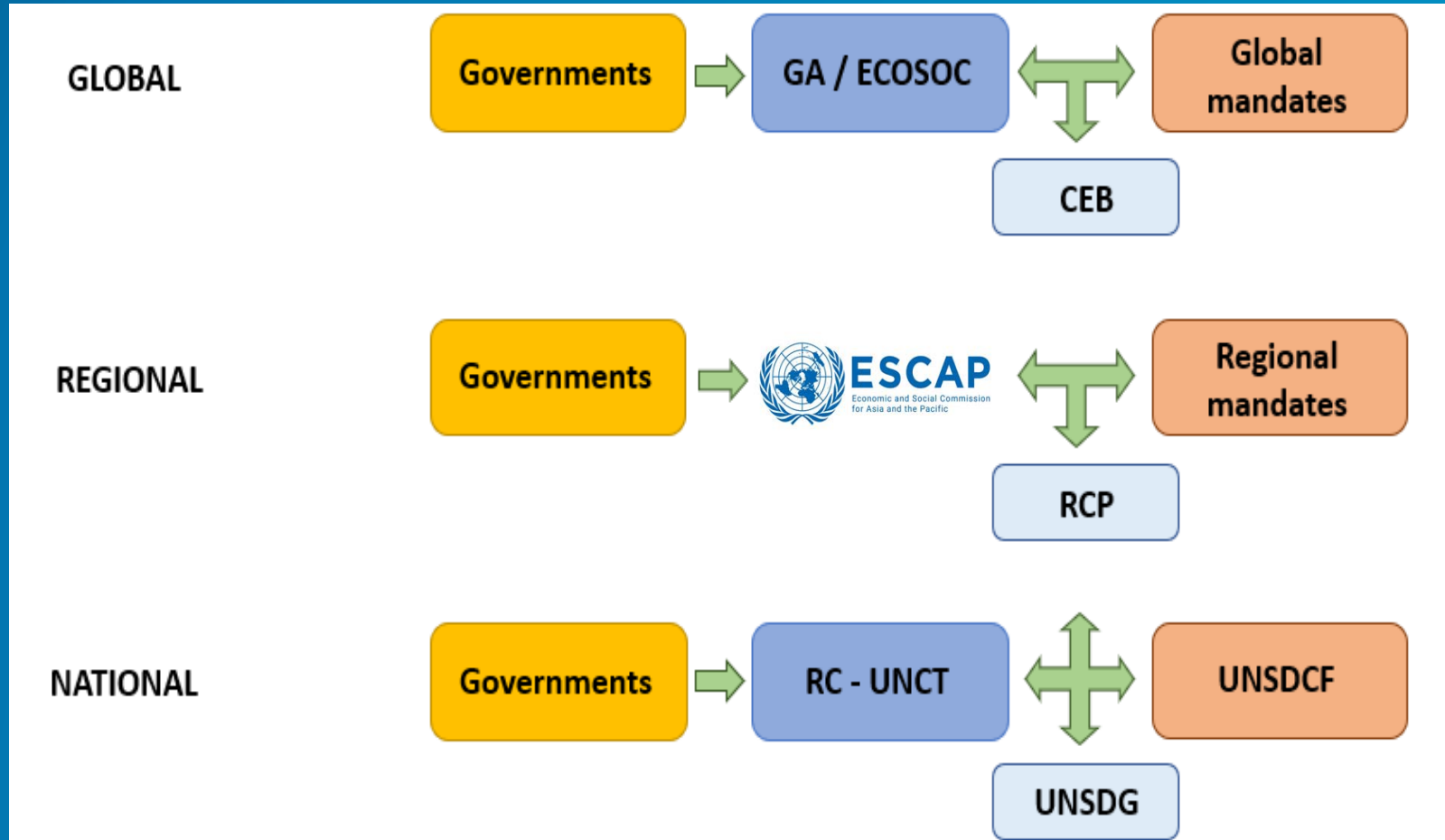
• **Side events, Associated events and Exhibitions**



Annex



Annex 1: United Nations development system



Monday 19

DAY 1 | Tuesday 20

DAY 2 | Wednesday 21

DAY 3 | Thursday 22

DAY 4 | Friday 23

ASSOCIATED EVENTS

09:00-12:00

Plenary
ESCAP Hall

Agenda item 1

Opening of the Forum

- (a) Opening Addresses
- (b) Election of officers
- (c) Adoption of the agenda

Agenda item 2

Reinforcing the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and eradicating poverty in times of multiple crises: The effective delivery of sustainable, resilient and innovative solutions in Asia and the Pacific

- Showcase SDG successes in 6 transition pathways for SDG transformation
- High-level panel: addressing the interlinked challenges of climate change, poverty, and hunger in times of multiple crises

12:00-14:30

LUNCH AND SIDE EVENTS

14:30-17:30

Plenary
ESCAP Hall

Agenda item 2 (continued)

- High-level panel: Looking ahead to the 2024 Summit of the Future

17:30-19:30

ESCAP Hall

SDG PARTNERSHIP REPORT LAUNCH AND RECEPTION

17:30-19:30

EXHIBITION

09:00-11:30

Plenary
ESCAP Hall

Agenda item 3

Accelerating the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development through voluntary national reviews

11:30-13:30

LUNCH AND SIDE EVENTS

13:30-16:00

SDG ROUND TABLES

SDG 1 No Poverty ● Meeting Room A
13:30-16:00

SDG 2 Zero Hunger ● Meeting Room G
13:30-16:00

SDG 17 Partnership for the Goals ● Meeting Room H
13:30-16:00

16:30-17:45

SIDE EVENTS AND EXHIBITION

09:00-11:30

SDG ROUND TABLES

SDG 13 Climate Action ● Meeting Room A
09:00-11:30

SDG 16 Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions ● Meeting Room G
09:00-11:30

11:30-13:30

LUNCH AND SIDE EVENTS

13:30-16:30

Plenary
ESCAP Hall

Agenda item 4

Review of regional progress in the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and opportunities for achieving the SDGs

- (a) Progress towards the attainment of Sustainable Development Goals 1, 2, 13, 16 and 17 at the regional level
- (b) Implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development at the subregional level
- (c) Reporting on system-wide results of the United Nations at the regional level in Asia and the Pacific in support of the 2030 Agenda

Agenda item 5
Other matters

16:45-18:00

SIDE EVENTS AND EXHIBITION

09:00-12:00

SIDE EVENTS,
EXHIBITION AND
ASSOCIATED EVENTS

12:00-14:30

LUNCH AND SIDE EVENTS

14:30-16:30

Plenary
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Agenda item 6
Adoption of the report

Closing



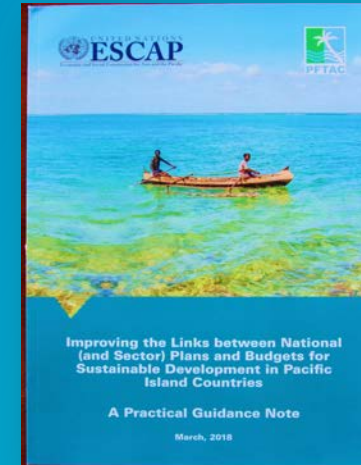
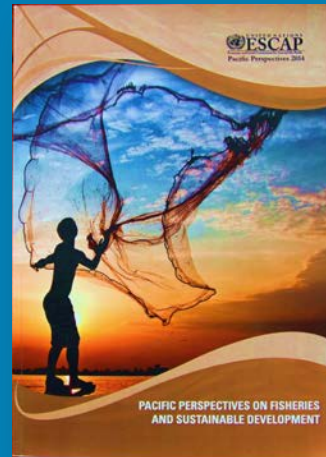
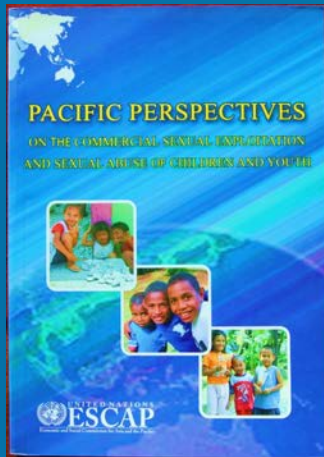
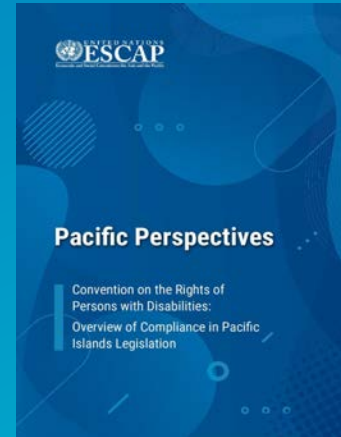


Annex 3: Partnerships for Pacific Perspectives



IV. Pacific Perspectives 2023: Advocating the aspirations of Small Island Developing States

Pacific Perspectives is a publication of ESCAP's Subregional Office for the Pacific that every year focuses on issues of particular importance to PSIDS. Last year's issue of the publication dealt with climate action. This year, it deals with the discussions around the SAMOA Pathway and what will follow for SIDS (and PSIDS in particular) in the next iteration. It discusses the opportunities and challenges for PSIDS, and potential scenarios for development focusing on three major themes: inclusive and equitable economic and social development; resilience to climate change and other crises; and partnerships for development.



Annex 4: Partnerships for Building Knowledge



United Nations | Department of Economic and Social Affairs | ESCAP
The Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific

Pacific Regional 10-Year Review of the SAMOA Pathway

DRAFT PAPER | Subregional Office for the Pacific

ESCAP
Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific

ENHANCING SIDS VOICE AND REPRESENTATION
A selected list of ESCAP SAMOA Pathway-specific activities and programmes: 2014-2023

PROMOTING SIDS PRIORITIES
A selected list of ESCAP Expert Opinion Blogs: 2018-2023

POLICY BRIEF

**Review of the Small Islands Developing States Accelerated Modalities of Action (SAMOA) Pathway in the Pacific Region:
Climate change, biodiversity and Oceans**

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**Review of the Small Islands Developing States Accelerated Modalities of Action (SAMOA) Pathway in the Pacific Region:
Economic growth, social development and Partnerships**

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POLICY BRIEF

**Review of the Small Islands Developing States Accelerated Modalities of Action (SAMOA) Pathway in the Pacific Region:
Scenario analysis**

Subregional Office for the Pacific | ESCAP



Annex 5: Multi-stakeholder Partnerships



Fiji: 7-9 August



Samoa: 14 August



Keynote + Public lecture: 2023 Forum Economic Ministers Meeting



Tuvalu: 10-12 August

- **Prime Ministers: 4; Ministers: 11**



Tonga: 15-16 August

- **Forum Economic Ministers: Cook Islands-PM, Kiribati-VP, Finance Ministers, Suva-based Ambassadors**

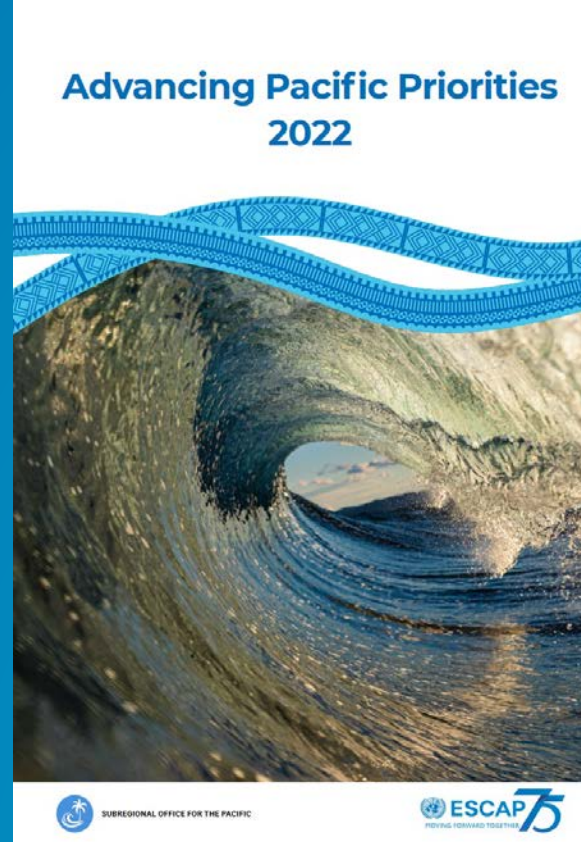


Special Remarks: Pacific Preparatory Meeting in Tonga for the 4th SIDS Conference

Annex 6: Reporting Partnerships



[Advancing pacific priorities 2023 | ESCAP \(unescap.org\)](https://unescap.org)



[Advancing Pacific priorities 2022 | ESCAP \(unescap.org\)](https://unescap.org)



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Vinaka

Tankiu tumas

Kommool

Ko bati n rabwa

Fa'afetai

Mālō'aupito

Tenk yu tru

Fakafetai

Tubwa kor

Thank you!

Fakaaue lahi



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