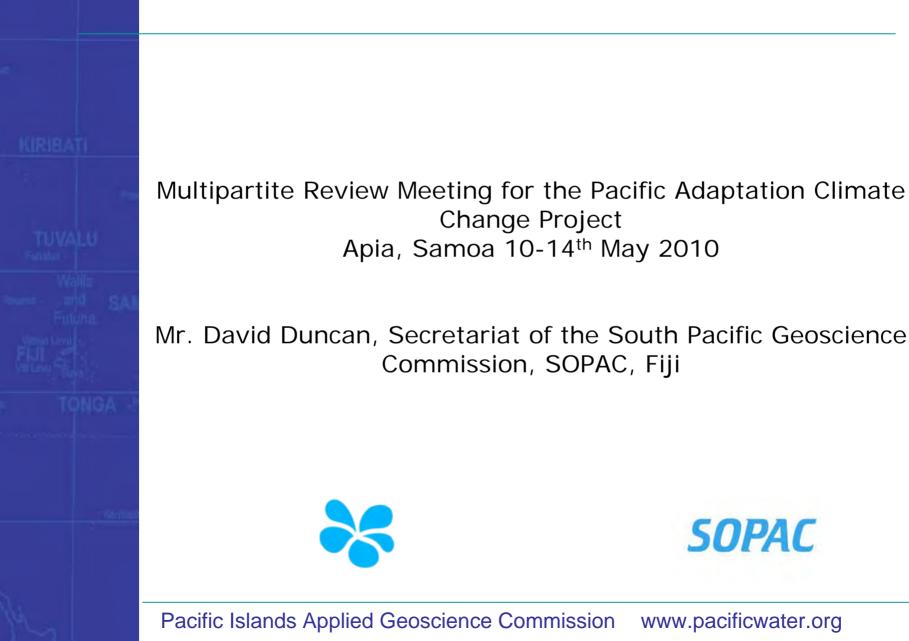
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Background

- Delivery of Regional Action Plan on Sustainable Water Management
- GEF Integrated Water Resources
 Management (IWRM) Projects
 - EU Policy framework support
 - GEF Demonstration project & regional indicators
- Ocean and Islands Programme
- Strong thematic overlap with PACC

PACC - IWRM

- Five countries with water-focused PACC project:
 - Nauru
 - Niue
 - **R**MI
 - Tonga
 - Tuvalu

Complementarities

- Generally complementary, synergistic projects
- Nauru
 - IWRM Demo Reducing pollution risks to the groundwater resources of the island
 - PACC Improved rainwater harvesting and conjunctive use of groundwater resources to reduce vulnerability to drought
- Tonga
 - IWRM Demo Groundwater quality protection strategies for the freshwater lens of Neiafu (Vava'u)
 - PACC Reducing village supply vulnerability to drought period groundwater salinity on Tongatapu groundwater transfers and rainwater harvesting

Overlaps

- Project Steering Committees often engaging the same busy people on similar issues
- Potential overlap on policy / strategic planning development
 - □ Nauru Water policy planning potential overlap
- Potential project overlap
 - Tuvalu Using EU B-Env on drought mitigation to provide RWH for Funafuti, which seem a duplication of efforts

Challenges

- Tension between projects
 - Niue
 - PACC focus on cyclone impacts and water quantity shortages
 - Env B suggests focus on managing groundwater supply
 - National linkages between programmes being made in terms of staffing and use of APEX body to address both water and climate
 - Links between groundwater salinity and climate change requires careful groundwater monitoring and assessment before intervention starts - addressed in part by EU B-Env on drought mitigation

Opportunities

- PACC work on Climate proofing of integrated water management plan implementation
- Links to other major water support programmes incl: HYCOS, water demand management, water safety planning and water quality monitoring
- Nat Water and Climate Committee and/or joint project Steering Committees could address both issues and serve as committee for both GEF projects
 - Currently happening with some countries Niue and Tuvalu

Oceans and Islands Programme I

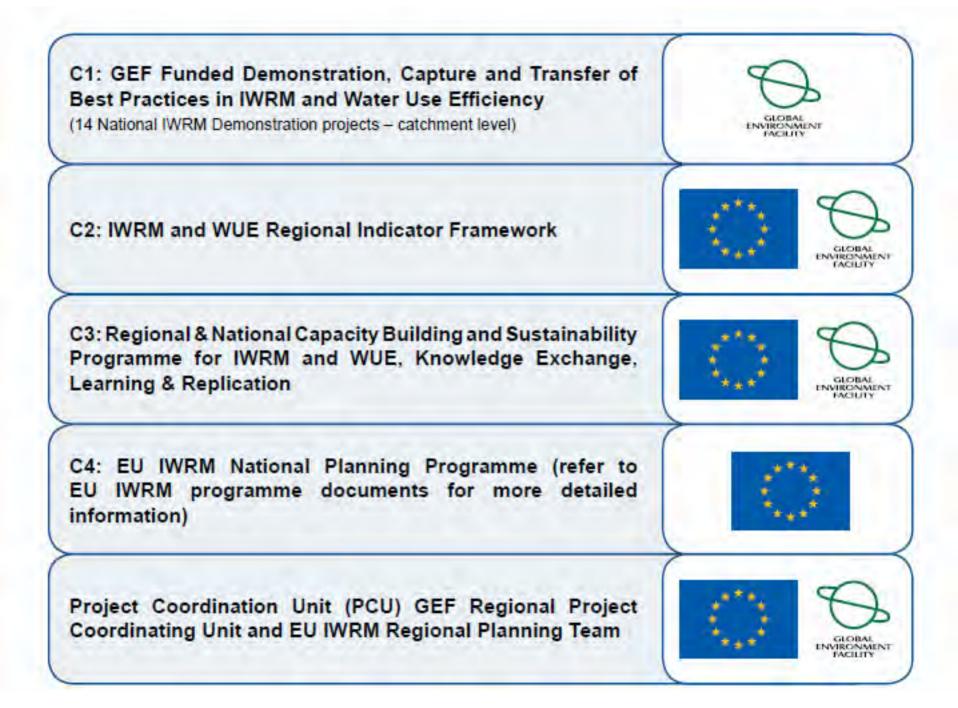
- Assists PICs through development of immediate and sound "no regrets" solutions and actions to
 - □ support the function of enviro systems
 - conserve and manage natural resources
 - □ reduce the vulnerability of Pacific Island communities
- Improves regional capacity and understanding of climate change stress or impacts through
 - Ongoing monitoring commitment eg. South Pacific Sea level & Climate Monitoring Project (SPSLCMP high res. monitoring of sea level in 12 regional locations)
 - World's only atoll shoreline monitoring system (PRISMS - Pacific Regional Island Shoreline Monitoring System) – understanding and manage relationship between sea level rise and erosion

Oceans and Islands Programme II

- Collaborates with sister Programmes, Community Risks and Water & Sanitation and with SPC's Land Division to develop monitoring baselines for issues such as saline intrusion into taro pits
- Advocates for Pacific Island interests and needs at regional and international scientific fora and strives to ensure awareness by international partners of crucial data and information gaps needed to better inform members of climate change stress and appropriate responses

Synergies

- IWRM demonstration projects established to aid mainstreaming of IWRM through linking demonstration projects and national strategic planning
- PACC provides opportunities for this in rainwater and groundwater drought management
- PACC needs to find links into national strategic planning, implementation and replication
- IWRM offers a mechanism to mainstream and PACC pilot project learnings
- Potential to establish APEX bodies that can function as National Water and Climate Committees and joint steering committees



Project Teams

- EU IWRM
 - Project Manager (Rhonda Robinson)
 - Communications (Tiy Chung)
 - □ IWRM Officer (Subhasni Raj)
 - Policy Advisor (Dave Hebblethwaite)
 - □ Admin (Fane Waqa)
- GEF IWRM
 - Project Manager (Marc Wilson)
 - □ Mainstreaming / Indicators Advisor (Chris Patterson)
 - □ Community Advisor (Ruth Urben)
 - Environmental Engineer (David Duncan)
 - Senior Admin (Verenaisi Bakani)

Tools

- Administration and Finance Manual
- Templates for reporting
 - □ Logframes (and tutorial)
 - Gira Face
 - Annual and Quarterly reporting
 - Lessons learned
 - Communication
 - Community engagement
 - Capacity Development (under development)
 - Technical Progress and Challenges (under development)
- Skype
- Website and FOOTY TIPPING



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