



SWAP2: Committing to Sustainable Waste Actions in the Pacific PHASE 2

Pacific island countries and territories offer rich ecosystems that are threatened by population and urbanisation growth and changing consumption patterns leading to increased waste generation.

Healthy Pacific ecosystems are essential for economic development of Pacific island countries and territories and their communities, however due to their social, economic and ecological features, these Pacific islands face their own challenges.

The SWAP2 Project, funded by the Agence française de développement (AFD), is implemented by the Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environmental Programme (SPREP).

The purpose of the SWAP2 Project is to help achieve the strategic goals of the Pacific Regional Waste and Pollution Management Strategy (Cleaner Pacific Strategy) by improving waste infrastructure, building capacity, and fostering regional collaboration of several Pacific Island Countries and French Territories.

Objectives of SWAP2

The project aims to support sustainable waste management in the Pacific region, especially to:

1. Support local communities and authorities in the development of national waste management policies and actions (collection, sorting, recovery, proper disposal);
2. Improve the delivery of waste services through development of waste management infrastructures and implementing pilot projects; and
3. Strengthen the technical, financial and governance capacities of authorities and practitioners.

Working together

The project also seeks to ensure greater complementarity and collaboration among the various regional waste programmes implemented by SPREP, fostering synergies and joint activities. As such, the SWAP2 Project intends to deliver joint activities and ensures coordination with the main waste programmes within the region



Beneficiary countries	
	FIJI
	FRENCH POLYNESIA
	KIRIBATI
	SAMOA
	SOLOMON ISLANDS
	TONGA
	TUVALU
	VANUATU
	WALLIS AND FUTUNA

Phase 1 Key Achievements

SWAP2 follows the successful EUR 3million first phase which made significant strides in addressing waste management issues across the region including:

The construction of Used Oil Management Facilities and/or procurement of storage equipment in Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga and Vanuatu

77 beach clean-ups including 62 waste audits involving 2,649 volunteers and 45 communities across Fiji, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Vanuatu and Wallis-and-Futuna

The upgrade of access roads at Luganville Dumpsite and Bouffa Landfill, Vanuatu

The procurement of a second-hand backhoe loader for Gizo Waste Disposal, Solomon Islands

The construction of a scrap metal recovery facility in Wallis

The production of 70 videos to raise awareness on Waste Management



Amount of funding

EUR 4.3 million



Duration of funding

Four years from 2025 – 2028



More information

For more information on the SWAP please visit: <https://swap.sprep.org/>

About SWAP2

The project is organised around 4 main components:



MARINE LITTER

The project aims to grow awareness on the amount of litter entering the ocean, through beach clean-ups and waste audits. The results will be disseminated within communities, schools, youth groups and will serve to inform appropriate waste management policies, especially on single use plastic bans.

USED OILS

The project seeks to support beneficiaries' countries at every step of the management of such hazardous waste: from collection to storage and disposal, through the construction of infrastructures, trainings for stakeholders, development of used oil waste management plans and implementation of sustainable financing mechanisms.



SOLID WASTE

The project aims to improve the efficiency of solid waste management, by funding equipment for landfill maintenance, and/or activities to strengthen a circular approach within the region such as composting, scrap metal recovery plants, plastic recycling facilities, etc. In addition, funding may be made available to support local micro-initiatives.

REGIONAL COLLABORATION AND KNOWLEDGE SHARING

The project will facilitate the sharing of knowledge, resources, and best practices among Pacific Island Countries and French Territories.

