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Community resilience, water & waste management



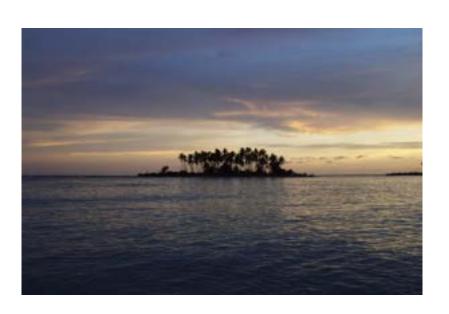
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### **Presentation Outline**

# Enhancing community resilience: managing environment, water and wastes under a changing climate

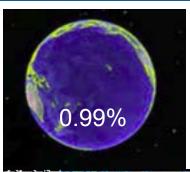
- Thematic background and scope
- Think tank vision and objectives
- 3. Priority areas
- Recommendations to policymakers (EU/Pacific)
- 5. Proposed actions/initiatives



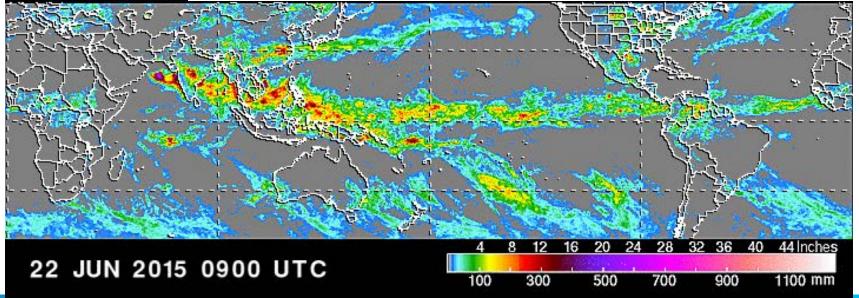




### 1. Climate and the Pacific



- Vast, Globally Important
- Diverse & Different
- Complex

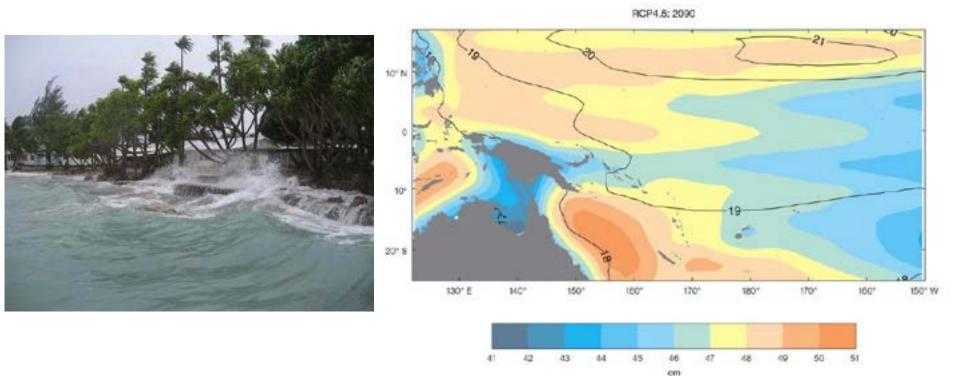








### 1. Climate change and Pacific



Projected Sea Level Rise 2090 (BoM & CSIRO 2014)







### 1. Pacific challenges

- Climate change and sea-level rise
- Safe and adequate freshwater resources:
- Waste management





**Outcome UN General Assembly** Third International Conference on Small Island Developing States Apia, Samoa 1-4 September 2014







### 1. Think tank scope

- Explore:
  - knowledge necessary to develop community resilience
  - policies and practices required for mitigation and adaptation to changing climates
- Specific areas of resilience management:
  - Environment and environmental change
  - Water
  - Waste









### 2. Vision

Sustainable development the Pacific way



building resilient, self-reliant, healthy communities
2014 Framework for Regionalisation









## 2. Objectives

#### **Objectives:**

- address water and food security
- improve management of resources
   and governance
- maintain and develop resilient
   Pacific livelihoods
- increase effectiveness of donor programs
- promote the importance of the Pacific

promote the development of mutually beneficial partnerships. Grant agreement n° 609490.









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# 3. Priority Areas

Waste, water, sanitation and water-borne diseases

Climate
change
adaptation
and mitigation
technologies
and
processes

Sustainable development and enhancing community resilience

Data acquisition and linked research

Education, training, capacity building and awareness raising

Governance processes: resource management and equity







# 4. Policy recommendations

Recognise the importance of:

- Pacific ocean as a major driver of global climate
- Maintaining biological and cultural diversity
- Building community involvement in STI development
- Baseline data for decision-making
- Regional organisations







### 4. Policy recommendations

- Develop Pacific protocols and capacity for data management, access and sharing,
- Use project pre-financing and seed-funding to develop long-term STI project partnerships
- Base development investments on research
- Partner STI policy development





## 4. Policy recommendations

- Use Pilot projects to initiate collaborative projects
- Develop policy that maintains equity and community sharing
- Develop supporting policies for climate initiatives (e.g. payments for ecosystem services)
- Increase investment in Pacific STI relevant to global climate change, biodiversity and food security





### 5. Proposed actions and initiatives

9 Activities were proposed



17 Seed funding proposals from Pacific & European Partners







#### Thank you from the project team



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#### **Project partners**





