ACP MEA Capacity Building Project

Capacity Building related to Multilateral Environmental Agreements (MEAs) in African, Caribbean and Pacific (ACP)

Countries





Background

- A 4 year EU funded project "Capacity Building related to Multilateral Environmental Agreements (MEAs) in African, Caribbean and Pacific (ACP) Countries"
- The overall objective is to strengthen and enhance the endogenous capacity of Pacific ACP countries to effectively implement and comply with MEAs and related commitments, and thereby improve management of the environment and the natural resources therein
- Project started on 1 March 2009 and ends on 28 February 2013

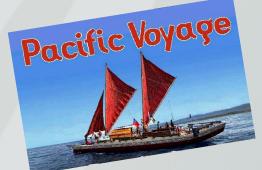
Background

- □ The project builds on the findings of the National Capacity Self Assessments
 - ✓ identifying capacity gaps to implement multilateral environmental agreements, such as the CBD, UNCCD and UNFCCC
- □ It aims to help implement MEAs.



Regional MEA capacity building support







- □ Regional preparatory meetings held for CBD COP10 and UNCCD COP10 meetings (including negotiation and media skills training)
- Supported the Pacific Voyage to the CBD COP10, Nagoya
- □ Convened the Pacific regional post CBD COP10 Meeting in May 2011
- MEA Clearing House
 http://www.sprep.org/publication/
 MEA/MEA.asp

Regional information and media support

- Media training and support given at CBD COP10
- □ Pasifika Media Award in 2010 focus on Year of Biodiversity
- ☐ Created a blogsite for COP10

http://bionesian.blogspot.com/

- ☐ Created a Biodiversity
 Listserve to disseminate and share information
 national biodiversity focal points@lyris.sprep.org
- □ Value Island Biodiversity: It's our Life publication





National – information, knowledge management and negotiations support

Multilateral Environment Agreements: Pacific regional clearinghouse mechanism: biodiversity and biosafety Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme ER | EMPLOYMENT | CIRCULARS | EVENTS | FACT SHEETS | FRANÇAIS | LINKS | LISTS OGRAMMES | PROE | PUBLICATIONS, LIBRARY and IRC | SITE MAP | SPREP FORUMS | WEBMAIL - Global / Local Home > Publications, Library & IRC **Publications, Library & IRC** Search the SPREP collection Multilateral Environment Agreements: Pacific regional clearinghouse mechanism: biodiversity and biosafety **Publications** > List SPREP Publication The Pacific regional clearinghouse mechanism for MEAs is a project component of the ACP > Search SPREP MEA project. The ACP MEA project is funded by the EC and implemented by UNEP. For further details see the ACP MEA project homepage, the Pacific component homepage, and the latest ACP MEA Newsletter and related publications. **Pacific Regional** Multilateral Environmental Convention on Biological Diversity [CBD]; Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety Agreements [MEAs] clearinghouse Official CBD Convention website and text mechanism Other related websites Country reports Training resources Critical documents -Guidelines for reporting --Guidelines for implementation > Biediversity: CBD, CITES, CMS, Ramsar, --Funding opportunities -- Case studies --Lessons learned > Chemicals and --Fact sheets hazardous waste: ---Regional updates Basel, Waigani, Rotterdam. Conference of the Parties - incl. preparation details for COP10 in Nagoyal --Schedule of meetings ---Pre-COP briefings UNFCCC / Kyoto ---Post COP summaries Newsletters and listservs Land degradation Calendar of events Contacts and focal points > Marine pollution: Pacific regional MFA clearinghouse mechanism home London, Marpol, OPRC, SPREP **Dumping Protocols** Official website > Ozone depletion: Convention on Biological Diversity

- Negotiation skills training held in FSM, RMI, Solomon Islands, Timor Leste and Tonga
- Knowledge management workshops held in Tonga and Vanuatu
- Clearing House Mechanism training held in Fiji and Cook Islands

http://www.sprep.org/publication/MEA/CBD.asp[28/09/2011 2:30:09 p.m.]

Convention has three main goals:

Protocol

An international legally binding treaty that was adopted in Rio de Janeiro in June 1992. The

National – mainstreaming support



- Mainstreaming process initiated in FSM, Kiribati, Niue, RMI, Samoa, Solomon Islands and Tuvalu
 - ✓ Training in the IEA process
 - ✓ Support for integrated environmental policy development
- ☐ Environmental Impact
 Assessment training held in
 FSM, RMI and Nauru





Future capacity building actions

- ☐ Regional preparatory meeting for CBD COP11
- ☐ National negotiation skills training in remaining countries
- □ Awareness materials, factsheets, posters, etc., and lessons learned on-line
- MEA Clearing House Mechanism on-line
- □ Continued support for MEA mainstreaming process in countries already begun
- ☐ Initiation of MEA mainstreaming process in remaining countries
- ☐ UNCCD IFS training to be held in at least 4 PICs
- ☐ Technical assistance to support the review of NBSAPs

THANK YOU

VISION:

The Pacific environment – sustaining our livelihoods and natural heritage in harmony with our cultures.

