



JOINT PACIFIC REGIONAL MEETING  
of  
Regional Meteorological Service Directors and Regional Disaster Managers

Novotel Hotel  
Nadi, Fiji

Theme: Strengthening End-to-End Early Warning Systems – Challenges and Opportunities

**Objectives**

1. Increase the understanding of key issues common to the Meteorological Services Directors and Disaster Managers
2. Explore opportunities for improved delivery of multi hazard early warnings to Pacific communities
3. Increase capacity for improved collaboration between Meteorological Services Directors and Disaster Managers

## PROVISIONAL ANNOTATED AGENDA

Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> May

Time	Agenda	Sponsor
12.00pm	<b>Registration</b>	
5.00pm	<b>Agenda Item 1: Official Opening</b> <b>Introductory Remarks</b>	SOPAC / SPREP / WMO
	<b>Opening Address</b>	Mr. Timoci Natuva, Minister for Works, Transport & Public Utilities, Fiji
6.00pm	<b>Agenda Item 2: Business</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Appointment of Chair</li> <li>▪ Appointment of Deputy Chair</li> <li>▪ Appointment of Rapporteur</li> </ul>	SOPAC/SPREP/WMO
	<b>Welcome Reception</b>	SOPAC/SPREP/WMO

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May

Time	Agenda	Sponsor
8.30am	<b>Agenda Item 3: Setting the Scene</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Opening Remarks by the Chair</b></li> <li>▪ <b>Report Chair RMSD</b> <i>Outcomes of RMSD meeting as it relates to NDMOs, What do Meteorological Services Directors expect of NDMOs and of the joint meeting?</i></li> <li>▪ <b>Report Chair RDM</b> <i>Outcomes of RDM meeting as it relates to NMS, What do NDMO Directors expect of NMS and of the joint meeting?</i></li> </ul>	SPREP
		SOPAC
9.00am	<b>Agenda Item 4: Strategic Frameworks.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>RMSD Strategic Action Plan &amp; Pacific Islands Framework for Action on Climate Change</b></li> </ul>	Dean Solofa, SPREP

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	<p><i>Overview, key activities and initiatives as it relates to disaster risk management and climate change adaptation</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Strategic Capacity Development of NMHSs in RA V</b> <i>Report of Kuala Lumpur meeting and overview of WMO initiatives in RA V</i></li> <li>▪ <b>Pacific DRR &amp; DM Framework</b> <i>Overview, key activities and initiatives as it relates to improved early warning and relationships with NMHS</i></li> </ul>	<p>Henry Taiki, WMO</p> <p>Mosese Sikivou, SOPAC</p>
	<b>Plenary Discussion</b>	
<b>10.00am</b>	<b>Agenda Item 5: Current and Future Initiatives</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Hydro-meteorological Warning Systems</b> <i>Status of TC, storm surge and flood warning and drought forecasting, issues and opportunities</i></li> <li>▪ <b>Tsunami Warning Systems</b> <i>Outcomes ICG/PTWS and SWP WG meeting;; the Samoa example of end-to-end Tsunami Warning</i></li> </ul>	<p>Rajendra Prasad, FMS</p> <p>Filomena Nelson, Samoa DMO</p>
<b>10.30am</b>	<b>Morning Tea</b>	
<b>11.00am</b>	<b>Agenda Item 5: cont'd</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Outcomes of Australian Tsunami Warning Capacity Assessment</b> <i>Major findings and recommendations for strengthening of early warning systems for tsunami and other hazards</i></li> <li>▪ <b>Warning &amp; Emergency Communication – Status &amp; Future Perspectives</b> <i>RANET, EMWIN</i></li> <li>▪ <b>Flood Warning in Fiji – Challenges for end-to-end warning systems in the Pacific</b></li> <li>▪ <b>Challenges and Opportunities for Integrating Disaster Risk Reduction and Climate Change Adaptation – A Country Perspective</b></li> </ul>	<p>Cherie O'Brien, BOM</p> <p>Ed Young, NOAA</p> <p>Joeli Cawaki, Fiji NDMO</p> <p>Jotham Napat, Vanuatu Met Service</p>

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	<b>Plenary Discussion</b>	
<b>12.30pm</b>	<b>Lunch</b>	
<b>1.30pm</b>	<b>Agenda Item 6: Identifying Challenges and Opportunities</b>	
	<b>Working Group Discussions</b> <i>3 groups and each with a different topic. An additional working group can be formed if needed</i>	
	<b>1. Warning Dissemination</b> <i>Communication systems, 'last mile'</i>	WMO, Reginald White, National Weather Service, RMI Filomena Nelson, Samoa DMO
	<b>2. Interagency Cooperation</b> <i>Information flow, responsibilities, warning focal points, contextualising of warnings, Institutional arrangements and procedures (.eg. SOPs)</i>	SOPAC, Jotham Napat, Vanuatu Met Service Loti Yates, Solomon Islands NDMO
	<b>3. Community Outreach</b> <i>Programmes, strategy, materials</i>	SPREP Hilia Vavae, Tuvalu Met Service Alonzo Kyota, Palau NEMO
	<b>Plenary Discussion on Working Group Outcomes</b>	
<b>3.00pm</b>	<b>Afternoon Tea</b>	
<b>3.30pm</b>	<b>Agenda Item 7: Moving Forward</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Plenary Discussion</b> <i>Explore how NDMOs and NMS can effectively work with other technical agencies and DRM partners to develop effective end-to-end EWS.</i> <i>Participants to review draft Outcomes statement for the meeting</i></li> <li>▪ <b>Presentation of Draft Key Outcomes by Rapporteur</b></li> <li>▪ <b>Finalisation of Key Outcomes</b></li> </ul>	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Nomination of Meeting representatives to present Outcomes to Pacific DRM Partnership Network Meeting</li> <li>▪ Next Meeting</li> </ul>	
5.00pm	<p>Agenda Item 8: Closing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Closing Remarks by SOPAC/SPREP/WMO</li> <li>▪ Closing Remarks by Chair</li> </ul>	