In the pursuit of policy coherence....
Implementing & Measuring the SDGs in the context of complexity and limited capacities in the Pacific

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Expert Group meeting on optimising SDGs implementation in the framework of integration and policy coherence

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Outline

1. Pacific context & approach to implementing & measuring sustainable development
2. Where we are in developing indicators
3. Good practices on SDGs monitoring, data collection and reporting
4. Key challenges & next steps
5. Sectors requiring most data-related support from the UN system
Complexity of Planning, Implementation & Reporting at country level

- National Plan planning, implementation & reporting
  - Long term vision plan
  - Medium Term Plan
  - Corporate Plans
- Govt sector planning, implementation & reporting
  - Sector Plans
- Donor Project planning, implementation & Reporting
  - Development Projects
- Govt budget reporting planning, implementation
  - Ministry Work Plans

- Small Administrations
- Limited capacities
- Limited resources
- Limited data/information
- Lack of coordination

- 2030 Agenda
- SAMOA Pathway
- Paris Agreement on CC
- Addis Ababa Action Agenda
- Sendai Framework
- Paris Declaration
- GPEDC
- Pacific Leaders
- Gender Equality Declaration
- Framework for Persons with Disabilities
- Framework for Resilient Development

Global Development Declarations & Agreements

International Conventions, Treaties, Multilateral Agreements

Regional Frameworks Reporting
Political commitment to integrated implementation & reporting

2015 – committed to SDGs, called for integrated implementation & reporting on global & regional sustainable development commitments

2017 – endorsed the Pacific Roadmap for sustainable Development

2018 – endorsed the 1st Quadrennial Pacific Sustainable Development Report

• Contextualise
• Integrate implementation & reporting
• Reduce reporting
THE PACIFIC ROADMAP FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

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2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development & 17 SDGs

Paris Agreement, Sendai Framework, Addis Ababa Action Agenda (AAAA), Global Partnership for Effective Development Cooperation (GPEDC)

S.A.M.O.A Pathway

Framework for Pacific Regionalism (FPR), Pacific Roadmap for Sustainable Development (PRSD)

Sector Regional Frameworks

Pacific Leaders Gender Equality Declaration (PLGED), Framework for Resilient Development in the Pacific (FRDP), Boe Declaration

National Development & Sector Plans

193 UN Member countries (16 Forum member countries plus territories through NZ, USA, France)

52 Smaller Island Developing States (SIDS) (20 Pacific Island countries & territories incl East Timor)

22 Forum members, associate member states & territories

22 Forum Members & Territories

22 Pacific Island Countries & Territories

UN Global

UN SIDS

Pacific Islands Forum

Pacific Islands Countries & Territories

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Mapping the SDGs against global, regional & national priorities

13.1 Integrative climate change analysis across national policies and strategies

13.2 Integrate climate change measures into national policies and strategies

13.3 Increase international cooperation and capacity in climate change mitigation

Table: SDGs relevant to the Sendai Framework for DRR 2015-2030 and the Paris Agreement

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Legend:
* DRR: Disaster Risk Reduction
* SDGs: Sustainable Development Goals
* Sendai Framework: Framework for Action
* Paris Agreement: Agreement on Climate Change

Regional objectives: Asia and the Pacific, Africa, and Latin America

National objectives: Specific national targets and indicators

Strategic goals: End hunger, reduce poverty, ensure access to sanitation, ensure sustainable development, and protect the environment.

Primary actions: Protecting our ecosystems, achieving economic, social, and cultural development, improving livelihoods, and using sustainable and resilient environments.


Selected targets: Increase access to sanitation, ensure sustainable agriculture, and promote peace and social cohesion.

Key points: 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction, and Paris Agreement on Climate Change.
Mapping the SDGs against global, regional & national priorities

SAMOA Pathway Partnerships each Pacific Country has aligned to the the 17 SDGs

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### Mapping SDGs targets against Country Plans/Priorities

#### Goal 1: End Poverty in all its forms everywhere
- Cook Is.
- FSMA
- Fiji
- Kiribati
- Nauru
- Niue
- Palau
- PNG
- RSL
- Samoa
- Solomon Islands
- Tonga
- Tuvalu
- Vanuatu

#### Goal 2: End Hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition, and promote sustainable agriculture
- Cook Is.
- FSMA
- Fiji
- Kiribati
- Nauru
- Niue
- Palau
- PNG
- Solomon Islands
- Tonga
- Tuvalu
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#### Goal 3: Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages
- Cook Is.
- FSMA
- Fiji
- Kiribati
- Nauru
- Niue
- Palau
- PNG
- Solomon Islands
- Tonga
- Tuvalu
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#### Goal 4: Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all
- Cook Is.
- FSMA
- Fiji
- Kiribati
- Nauru
- Niue
- Palau
- PNG
- Solomon Islands
- Tonga
- Tuvalu
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#### Goal 5: Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls
- Cook Is.
- FSMA
- Fiji
- Kiribati
- Nauru
- Niue
- Palau
- PNG
- Solomon Islands
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#### Goal 6: Ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all
- Cook Is.
- FSMA
- Fiji
- Kiribati
- Nauru
- Niue
- Palau
- PNG
- Solomon Islands
- Tonga
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#### Goal 7: Ensure access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy for all
- Cook Is.
- FSMA
- Fiji
- Kiribati
- Nauru
- Niue
- Palau
- PNG
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#### Goal 8: Promote sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment and decent work for all
- Cook Is.
- FSMA
- Fiji
- Kiribati
- Nauru
- Niue
- Palau
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#### Goal 9: Build resilient infrastructure, promote sustainable industrialization and foster innovation
- Cook Is.
- FSMA
- Fiji
- Kiribati
- Nauru
- Niue
- Palau
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#### Goal 10: Reduce inequalities within and among countries
- Cook Is.
- FSMA
- Fiji
- Kiribati
- Nauru
- Niue
- Palau
- PNG
- Solomon Islands
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#### Goal 11: Make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable
- Cook Is.
- FSMA
- Fiji
- Kiribati
- Nauru
- Niue
- Palau
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#### Goal 12: Ensure sustainable consumption and production patterns
- Cook Is.
- FSMA
- Fiji
- Kiribati
- Nauru
- Niue
- Palau
- PNG
- Solomon Islands
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- Tuvalu
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#### Goal 13: Take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts
- Cook Is.
- FSMA
- Fiji
- Kiribati
- Nauru
- Niue
- Palau
- PNG
- Solomon Islands
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#### Goal 14: Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development
- Cook Is.
- FSMA
- Fiji
- Kiribati
- Nauru
- Niue
- Palau
- PNG
- Solomon Islands
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#### Goal 15: Protect, restore and promote sustainable use of terrestrial ecosystems, sustainably manage forests, combat desertification, and halt and reverse land degradation and halt biodiversity loss
- Cook Is.
- FSMA
- Fiji
- Kiribati
- Nauru
- Niue
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#### Goal 16: Promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, provide access to justice for all and build effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels
- Cook Is.
- FSMA
- Fiji
- Kiribati
- Nauru
- Niue
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#### Goal 17: Strengthen the means of implementation and revitalize the global partnership for sustainable development
- Cook Is.
- FSMA
- Fiji
- Kiribati
- Nauru
- Niue
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Regional priorities monitoring and indicators

• The region will focus on three key types of Pacific priorities:
  • **Regional transboundary issues of climate change (and disaster risk management) and oceans (including integrated oceans management).**
  • **Unfinished business of MDGs & common priority issues at country level—NCDs and cervical cancer; improving connectivity; empowering women, girls and people with disabilities; reducing inequality and improving quality of education.**
  • **Means of Implementation; SDG 16 and 17; Effective institutions and partnerships for the 2030 Agenda**

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https://pacificdata.org/content/17-goals-transform-pacific
6.2.1 Proportion of population using safely managed sanitation services including a hand washing facility with soap and water
IT-1.4.1 | Individual access to internet - internet users per 100 population (Census, DHS, MDG 8.16)
Regional progress

Cost of natural disaster to GDP: Fiji 30% and Vanuatu 64%

NCDs are at crisis levels in the Pacific

Cost of Remittances in Pacific high as 12%
SDG target for Pacific is 3%

Achieved 8% of 10% target for marine conservation
The Pacific is making good progress towards achieving marine life protection
Where are we in developing indicators – National level

• Most of the Pacific countries have either mapped or are in the process of mapping the SDGs against National development plans

• Some have integrated SDGs into their National Monitoring processes – Cook Islands, Fiji, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Vanuatu

• Indicators range from 150 to more than 400 in some of the countries

Tonga National Poverty definition

• those that experience both low income and are also materially and socially deprived;

• those vulnerable because of deprivation socially perceived necessities (items and activities) that the Tongan majority consider that no-one should go without; and

• those vulnerable because of income - measured at the household level and takes into account both monetary (e.g. wages) and non-monetary sources (e.g. self-production).

New Zealand Living Standards Framework and Indicators Aotearoa NZ
Good practices at the national level on SDGs monitoring, data collection and reporting

- SADATA - Samoa through NZ and UN support established a tool – initially to manage and monitor their human rights recommendations and progress – added SDGs and considering adding Aichi and Multi-lateral Environment Agreement indicators
  
  [https://sadata-production.firebaseapp.com/](https://sadata-production.firebaseapp.com/)

- Vanuatu
  - Annual Development Report
  - M&E unit in the PMs office, M&E focal points in all line ministries
  - Vanuatu NSDP baseline/SDGs indicators survey

- Vanuatu, Tonga and Samoa have developed national databases for their data, information
Challenges

Regional Level
• Only 48% of PSDI can be measured
• Lack of disaggregation of data across countries
• Silo approach to statistical capacity building

National / country level
• Average less than 50% of national indicators can be measured
• Lack of disaggregation
• Limited capacities and poor funding for national statistics offices and statistical systems
• Lack of integration of national statistical systems
• Lack of demand for and capacities for analysis of data
1. Better tailored questionnaire and survey instruments – such as Disability Surveys and Vanuatu’s ‘National Baseline Indicator Survey’

2. Support to Pacific countries in the use of data in VNR reporting

3. Development of a regional .stat SDG dashboard –

• Should be possible to generate poverty estimates disaggregated by disability as required in SDG indicators (if disability prevalence is high enough)

• Use of the tested Labour Force module will promote harmonization and comparability of labour market data across the Pacific, while reducing the time and costs associated with the development of questionnaires, manuals and other survey tools.
Which sectors require most data-related support from the UN system?

What can we measure now?

- Environment (SDG12, 13,14)
- Peace, Justice & Strong Institutions
- Gender Equality
- Education