Strategic Coherence and Alignment

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#Before_the_Blue_COP
Seeks to recapture the collective potential of our shared stewardship of the Pacific Ocean.

Putting the Blue Pacific at the centre of regional policy making to strengthen collective action to advance its implementation.

Outline

❑ Our shared value
❑ OPOC
❑ Strategic Coherence
❑ Next Steps
Regional Leaders “Ocean” mandates

Pacific Islands Regional Ocean Policy (PIROP) 2002 – envisions a healthy ocean that sustains the livelihood and aspirations of Pacific Island Communities

Framework for a Pacific Oceanscape (FPO) 2010 – envision a secure future for Pacific Island Countries and Territories based on sustainable development, management and conservation of our Ocean. The aim of FPO is to be a catalyst for cross-sector steward and sustainable development, management and conservation

Palau Declaration on “The Ocean: Life and Future” – Charting a course to sustainability 2014 - through integrated and mixed management approaches to maximize benefits

Framework for Pacific Regionalism 2014 – Pacific people are custodians of the world’s largest, most peaceful and abundant ocean, its many islands and its rich diversity of cultures

Regional Roadmap for Sustainable Fisheries 2015 – strategies for sustainable tuna and coastal fisheries

Pohnpei Ocean Statement – a course to sustainability 2016 – to ensure that no one is left behind, we must embrace transformative change and action now

The Pacific Roadmap for Sustainable Development 2017 – made commitment to full implementation of the 2030 Agenda for SDGs

- CROP – Council of Regional Organizations in the Pacific
- MSWG – Marine Sector Working Group of CROP
- POC – Pacific Ocean Commissioner
- OPOC – Office of Pacific Ocean Commissioner
- POA – Pacific Ocean Alliance
REGIONAL OCEAN POLICIES

2002: Pacific Island Regional Ocean Policy
2010: Framework for a Pacific Oceanscape (FPO)

FRAMEWORK FOR A PACIFIC OCEANSCAPE

Vision
A secure future for Pacific Island Countries and Territories based on sustainable development, management and conservation of our ocean

Objectives
- Integrated Ocean Management
- Adaptation to Environmental and Climate Change
- Liaising, Listening, Learning and Leading

Strategic Priorities

1. Jurisdictional rights and responsibilities
2. Good Ocean Governance
3. Sustainable development, management and conservation
4. Listening, learning, liaising and leading
5. Sustaining action
6. Adapting to a rapidly changing environment

Actions:
- Integrated Ocean Management
  - 1A: PIOCs formalise maritime boundaries and secure rights over their resources
  - 2A: Regional effort to fix baselines and maritime boundaries to ensure the impact of climate change and sea level rise does not result in reduced jurisdiction of PICTs

- Good Ocean Governance
  - 3A: PIOCs implement intergovernmental and institutional mechanisms for integrated ocean and coastal management

- Sustainable Development, Management and Conservation
  - 4A: Facilitate processes that utilise existing knowledge and results to enable driven information sharing and targeted capacity building for achieving policy and management objectives

- Liaising, Listening, Learning and Leading
  - 5A: PIOCs to ensure cost-effectiveness of management approaches as a priority step towards sustainability of financing

- Adapting to a Rapidly Changing Environment
  - 6A: Identify a centralised mechanism to address emerging issues, manage risk and explore opportunities
2011: PIF SG Appointed as Pacific Ocean Commissioner

2014: Establishment of the Office of the Pacific Ocean Commissioner

2016: Pohnpei Oceans Statement:
“Reaffirm support to OPC for central coordination role on ocean governance and integrated ocean management in the region

2017: Blue Pacific:
“Strengthening of OPOC for Coordination and advocacy of cross-cutting ocean issues”
Ocean Policies and Frameworks
- Leaders
- Sectoral
- National

Institutions
- Regional & International Organizations
- National authorities

Ocean Users
- Private Sector
- Communities
- Individuals

REGIONAL

OCEAN

GOVERNANCE
# REGIONAL AND GLOBAL OCEANS POLICIES

## National
- *Implementation*

## Regional
- *Ocean Policies & Frameworks*
- *Leaders Decisions*
- *Regional/ National Initiatives*

## Global
- *Multilateral Agreements - UNGA*
- *Regional/National Initiatives*

## SECTORAL
- **LEADERS**
  - National
    - *Implementation*
  - Regional
    - *Ocean Policies & Frameworks*
    - *Decision by Governing Bodies*
  - Global
    - *Multilateral Agreements and Processes*

## NATIONAL
- **NATIONAL**
  - National
    - *Ocean Policies & Priorities*
    - *Voluntary Commitments*
    - *Partnerships*
  - Regional
    - *Regional Policies & Frameworks*
  - Global
    - *Global Policies & Frameworks*
Sustainable Development Agenda in the Pacific

2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development & 17 SDGs

SAMOA Pathway

Framework for Pacific Regionalism

Sector Regional Frameworks

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

UN Global

UN SIDS

Pacific Islands Forum

22 Forum Members & Territories

22 Pacific Island Countries & Territories

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Working Group 1: Marine Pollution and Protection of Ecosystem Services
Co-Chairs: SPREP and UN Environment
Members: SPC, USP, WCS, IUCN, LMMA, WWF, FFA
Targets: 14, 14.1, 14.2, 14.5, 14a & 14c

Working Group 2: Climate Change and Ocean Acidification
Co-Chairs: IUCN and SPC
Members: USP, WWF, PIDF, SPREP, UNEP, WMO, PIFS, OPOC, IUCN, SPC
Targets: 14, 14.3, 14.a, 14.c

Working Group 3: Fisheries, Fisheries Subsidies and the Blue Economy
Co-Chairs: FFA and SPC FAME
Members: PIDF, PIFS, SPTO, PNA, UNEP, SPREP, IUCN, LMMA, CI, FAO, WWF, USP
Targets: 14.4, 14.6, 14.a, 14.b
### Strategic Coherence

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NEXT STEPS

- Stock-take on implementation
- Review of regional and global policies
- Monitoring and Review Framework
- Mobilize means of implementation
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