Proceedings of Islands and Oceans Net
2nd General Meeting

6-7 December 2016
The Sasakawa Peace Foundation Building
Tokyo, Japan
Foreword

The oceans, which covers 70 per cent of the earth’s surface, has in recent years been experiencing various changes. The small island countries dotting the oceans are of course significantly affected by such changes and are now struggling to deal with them. Furthermore, the sustainable development, use, conservation and management of small islands and their surrounding ocean areas are not problems restricted to the island states alone, but are also challenges facing the international community as a whole, an idea that has come to be shared worldwide since the adoption of Agenda 21 at the Rio Earth Summit in 1992.

OPRF, the forerunner of OPRI-SPF, recognizes these difficulties, and from 2009 began collaborating on research with ANCORS and experts from Pacific States that resulted in joint policy recommendations “For the Better Conservation and Management of Islands and Their Surrounding Ocean Areas”, which we submitted as contributory papers to the Rio+20 Secretariat, the SIDS 2014 Preparatory Meetings and the Open Working Group for the SDGs. The Proposal focuses on three areas, namely (i) Conservation and Management of Islands, (ii) Management of the Surrounding Ocean Areas, and (iii) Response to Climate Change and Variability. Furthermore, based on the assessment and analysis of the current situations in each area and considering the issues identified, we also have made recommendations on Capacity Building and Institutional Strengthening to facilitate required measures effectively.

In September 2014, 21 Heads of State and about 3,500 delegates attended SIDS 2014 and adopted an international action plan entitled “Small Island Developing States Accelerated Modalities of Action [S.A.M.O.A.] Pathways.” We were happy to see that many points of our recommendations were included in S.A.M.O.A. Pathways.

OPRI (then OPRF) organized jointly with ANCORS a side event in order to discuss concrete actions for policy implementation. We had the honour of His Excellency Tommy Remengesau, Jr., President of the Republic of Palau, attending along with about 80 persons from various countries, organisations and groups with an interest in these issues, to discuss concrete measures to implement our joint recommendations. On this occasion, OPRI proposed to establish the Islands and Oceans Net(IO-Net) as an international collaborative multi-partner network with the voluntary participation of international and regional organisations, governments, academia, businesses and individuals from civil society who are in agreement with the aims of our recommendations. Our proposal was unanimously supported by all the participants of the side event.

Pacific island States and international organizations, as well as universities, research institutes, and NGOs in the Pacific region have conveyed to us their keen interest in and support of the IO-Net. Organizations and individuals from the Japanese government, industry, academia, foundations and NGOs have also
expressed significant interest. Our task now is to articulate concrete steps to promote activities, as the varied organizations and individuals who have expressed interest voluntarily participate and coordinate their activities in the IO-Net, as “Partners”. It is important that partners from a variety of sectors come together and that island states and the international community collaborate and coordinate their activities.

Following our 1st General Meeting held in May of 2015, we were pleased to convene the 2nd General Meeting from 6-7th December, 2016, participated by over 120 Partners from the Pacific region, Japan, and international society, from a variety of sectors, including governments, international and regional organizations, universities and research institutes, NGOs, and business sectors who are in agreement with the aims of the IO-Net.

It is our sincere hope that those “Partners” in attendance at the 2nd General Meeting make it the starting point for collaborative and cooperative use of their respective positions and capacities in work towards the sustainable development, use, appropriate conservation and management of islands and their surrounding ocean areas.

The Ocean Policy Research Institute, Sasakawa Peace Foundation
## Islands and Oceans Net (IO Net) 2nd General Meeting Programme

**Date:** 6th – 7th December, 2016

**Venue:** 11 F International Conference Hall, The Sasakawa Peace Foundation Building, Tokyo, Japan

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Prof. Stuart Kaye, The Australian National Centre for Ocean Resources and Security (ANCORS)  
Mr. Noriyuki Shikata, Deputy Director General, Asian and Oceanian Affairs Bureau, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Japan  
Mr. Roger Comforth, Deputy Director General, Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme  
Dr. Braulio Ferreira de Souza Dias, Executive Secretary, Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) (Video Message) |
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All Participants |
| 10:50-11:00 | Coffee Break                                                           |                                                                                 |
| 11:00-12:30 | The Development of International Joint Policy Recommendations and the History of the Islands and Oceans Net (IO Net) | OPRI-SPF (Secretariat)  
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Moderators: Mr. Hiroshi Terashima, President, OPRI-SPF  
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Dr. Keita Furukawa, Senior Research Fellow, OPRI-SPF  
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Ms. Lani Milne, Chief, Coastal, Land and Conservation Division, Marshall Environment Protection Authority  
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| 15:50-17:20  | Discussions on the Development of Future Activity Plans and their Adoption  
Moderators: Mr. Hiroshi Terashima, President, OPRI-SPF  
Prof. Stuart Kaye, Director, ANCORS |
| 17:20-17:30  | Closing Ceremony                                                      |
|              | Mr. Hiroshi Terashima, President, OPRI-SPF                            |
Session 1:

Conservation and Management of Islands
Development of Island Management Strategies

Keita Furukawa, Dr.(Eng.)
Ocean Policy Research Institute, SPF

Ocean Governance
- Dramatic rise of world’s population
- Global Warming / Ocean Acidification
- Marine Pollution / Dead Zone
- Marine Litter, Plastics and Micro-Prastics
- Resource depletion and environmental degradation

1982 Adoption of UNCLOS
1992 Agenda 21 / Rio summit
2002 Implementation Plan / WSSD
2012 The Future We Want / Rio+20
2015 SDG goal14 / The 2030 Agenda for SD
2015 Paris agreement / COP21, UNFCCC

Back- Ground

Flame- works

Development of Island Management Strategies

Target Layer: Strategies

System Layer: Methodologies

Tool boxes

For Sustainable Development of Islands

Target Layer: Strategies

System Layer: Methodologies

Tool boxes

Basic Act on Ocean Policy (2007)
Basic Plan on Ocean Policy (2008)
Headquarters for Ocean Policy

Integrated Coastal Management

Integrated Coastal Management

12 Basic Measures

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Integrated Coastal Management

Basic Act on Ocean Policy (2007) →
Basic Plan on Ocean Policy (2008) →
Headquarters for Ocean Policy →
Basic Plan on Ocean Policy (2013) →
Implementing ICM, and offer assistance to regions making their own ICM Plan

Projects For Sustainable Development of Islands

For the better promotion of Local Coasts

ICM Formulations ➔
Network of LG ➔
Promotion of Local Community ➔
Institutional Arrangements ➔
Ocean Education, Capacity Building

Potential Project 1

Development of Island Management Strategies

Leading Organizations: Kiribati, ORPI-SPF
Potential Partners: International Organization (UNDP, CBD, IUCN etc.), Government of Island States (local and National), Research Institutions (ANCORS, SPREP, USP etc.)

Goal: To assist countries in the development of strategic planning and implementation of island-scale management decisions on their own, in accordance with UNCLOS and other international frameworks.

Proposed Steps of Action:
- Ocean Policy Study Group
- Establishing common understanding and views on policy formation among multi-stakeholders
- Institutional Arrangements
  - Establishing a basic legal framework and mechanism to cope with the comprehensive management and sustainable development of Oceans
  - Establishing a cross-sectoral authority to build up and implement the legal framework and policies
- Basic Plans on Ocean Policy
  - Establishing a basic plan built on the Institutional Arrangements subject to periodical reviews

* Above steps should be followed taking into account each state’s topographical, biophysical and socio-economic characteristics.

Project 1: Development of Island Management Strategies

Project 2: Ecological Engineering

Project 3: Coastal Ecosystem Conservation

Project 4: Marine Scientific Research

Project 5: Disasters Mitigation

Project 6: Environmentally Displacement

Project 7: Ocean Acidification

Development of Island Management Strategies(2-1.a)

[ex.] For Sustainable Development of Kiribati

Project 1: Development of Island Management Strategies

Target Layer: Strategies for Safety and Security

System Layer: Ecosystem Management (ICM, CBM)

Tool Layer: Ecological Engineering, Scientific Research

Project 2: Ecological Engineering

Project 3: Coastal Ecosystem Conservation

Development of Island Management Strategies(2-1.a)
[ex.] For Sustainable Development of Samoa

Project 5: Disasters Mitigation

Project 3: Coastal Ecosystem Conservation

Project 1: Development of Island Management Strategies

Target Layer: Strategies, Soft and Security

System Layer: Methodologies

Tool boxes: EBM, ICM, CBM

Sustainable Development

Human well-being

[ex.] For Sustainable Development of Fiji

Project 6: Environmentally Displacement

Project 7: Ocean Acidification

Project 4: Marine Scientific Research

Development of Island Management Strategies

Thank you for your Attentions
Integrating Island Management Strategies with Disaster Risk Management to Protect Atoll Habitability

Lani Milne
RMI-Environmental Protection Authority

Island Management Strategies

- Coastal Management Framework
- Reimaanlok
- PAN Legislation
- Ridge to Reef Program (GEF)
- Disaster Risk Reduction

Coastal Management Framework

- Coastal Conservation Act 1988
- Recommend proposals for action and policy for the RMI to achieve sustainable future development and remedy past development in and around the coastal zone of the RMI.
- NEPA 1989
- Earthmoving Regulations 1989
- ETA Regulations 1994

Reimaanlok - “Looking into the future”

- Outlines strategies to achieve the Micronesia Challenge by committing to effectively conserve 30% near shore marine areas and 20% terrestrial resources by 2020.
- Threatened by increase pressure on fisheries, climate change and sea level rise, urbanization, and loss of traditional subsistence lifestyle.
- 2 types of conservation: subsistence only and special reserves.
- Reconnect the people to the environment, to ensure sustainable use of resources and food security.

Reimaanlok Status by Atoll/Island

Protected Area Network

- A Protected Areas Network (PAN) will allow the Marshall Islands to integrate all protected areas into a single system
  - Allows more effective monitoring and enforcement
  - Provides mechanism for funding distribution to protected areas
- Benefits priority issues
  - Biodiversity, CC Adaptation
  - Disaster risk management
  - Food security
- Parliament endorsement Sept 2015
- Operationalize and strengthen implementation of the Reimaanlok
Implication of PAN on Fisheries

- Strengthen community involvement in managing their marine resources
- Assist in providing resources to communities (technical and/or financial)
- Streamlines the process for communities and relevant CMAC partners
- Possible linkage with National Fisheries Revenues

Challenges & Constraints

- Reimaanlok & PAN
  - Geographic isolation & logistical challenges
  - Limited resources/capacity (human and finance)
  - Limited outreach to raise awareness on coastal issues
  - Limited alternative livelihoods & incentives
  - Lack of effective monitoring systems
  - Lack of baseline data to inform policy & practice
  - Lack of appropriate laws and enforcement capacity
  - Very weak climate lens in the process

Ridge 2 Reef (GEF 5)

- Main components
  - Expanding and sustaining RMI PAN
  - Improve governance for integrated atoll management
  - Knowledge management

Recent projects for island and coastal management and disaster risk reduction

  - Construction of a causeway in Woja Ailinglaplap, using locally available materials to promote a more ecological approach
  - Involving local communities for shoreline re-vegetation activities

Coastal area and causeway construction in Woja Ailinglaplap

Using local materials and vegetation with the ecosystem based approach

- Stakeholder dialogue workshops and surveys supported by Sasakawa Peace Foundation – Small Island Nations Fund for coastal and island resource management.
  - Observing the people’s increased recognition on coastal erosion,
  - Noting terrestrial and marine resource depletion and alteration (exotic seaweed species)
  - Concern on limited capacity for managing local resources and diversifying resource use and livelihood management
• Jenrok Community Disaster Response Plan/Group
  – Pilot Project implemented by RMI Red Cross and the NDMO to develop National Communication Early Warning System.

• Technical guidelines for coastal protection
  – Funded by US DOI
  – Collaborative effort to develop more detailed guidance on technical aspects of implementing the various terrestrial and marine-based soft, hard, and hybrid options for coastal protection.
  – Address challenges and opportunities within the RMI EPA Earthmoving permit application and review process, as well as berm-building by the Min. of Public Works.

RMI Vision 2018

“...to become a country within an inter-dependent world, with an enhanced socio-economic self reliance, an educated, healthy, productive, law-abiding and God-loving people in which freedom and fundamental human rights are protected and culture and traditions are respected and development and environmental sustainability are in harmony.” – RMI's Strategic Development Plan Framework 2003-2018

Goal 10: Environmental Sustainability:
  i) Strengthening the relevant institutions and improve procedural mechanisms, so as to be able to ensure support from both international and regional efforts, in minimizing the adverse impacts of Climate Change.

Objective 2: Enhance the level of awareness and commitment among all people in the community to contribute to minimizing of environmental degradation.

RMI EPA’s Mission:
  i) Look after the natural environment of the Marshall Islands;
  ii) Ensure sustainability of resources and ensure a balance between economic development and the environment; and
  iii) Enhance the quality of life (public health and safety) of our people.

Calls for support to proposed projects

• Operationalizing the PAN in the field by reinforcing sustainable management of coastal resources and diversifying livelihood
• Demonstrating the models, measures and approaches for increasing resilience to climate change (drought, flood, temperature changes),
• Coastal Profiling for Majuro, Ebeye, Jaluit and Wotje (or most populated islands in the RMI)
• Community adaption and building resilience frameworks for coastal communities (Upgrade Reimaanlok Steps/Process)
• Enhancing institutional and policy capacity for implementation and monitoring,
• Developing human resources for addressing SIDS challenges and promoting sustainability with increased policy and science interface and international partnership

Additional Information/Links

• Woja Causeway Project Video
  – (https://youtu.be/rmFJ3fHVbZ0)
  – (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AunhShf0EsS)

KOMOLTATA!
The Global Environment Facility
International Waters Focal Area

2nd Islands and Oceans Net General Meeting

Tokyo, Japan – December 2016

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Session 1.a

Concerns of International Waters & People, Ecosystems, and Development

- Transboundary Pollution: Water unusable, diseases
- Wasteful Water Use: Droughts, floods, conflicts
- Groundwater quality & quantity: Drinking water, food shortages
- Overfishing/Depleted Oceans: Diminishing catches, livelihoods & $100 billion in annual trade in jeopardy
- Habitat loss: Coastal blue forests, invasive species, local livelihoods

Regional Stability, Security, Resilience and Economic opportunity at risk

GEF International Waters Focal Area

International Waters (IW) includes transboundary rivers, lakes, and groundwater basins; also oceans, coasts, Large Marine Ecosystems and connected river basins

GEF International Waters Portfolio

GEF is largest investor in multi-country collective management of transboundary water systems: $1.6 billion GEF/$10.3 billion co-financing totaling more than 230 projects since 1995.

170 GEF recipient countries are cooperating with 23 non-recipient countries on their particular shared water systems.

In working to reverse fisheries depletion, reduce water pollution, and balance conflicting water uses through IWRM, GEF contributes to water, environment, and community security as well as regional stability.

Simplistic ill. on GEF IW investment modalities

- Pacific islands SAP
- Benguela Current Commission

30 SAPs
36 TDAs

Western and Central Pacific Tuna Fisheries
(GEF/UNDP)

- Tuna >10% of regional GDP
- Brought together 15 SIDS to regulate and manage tuna fisheries
- Built up every Means of Implementation
  - Partnerships, financing, capacity building, technology, trade, and data and statistics + “policy”
  - In 7 countries surveyed, GDP contribution of fishing increased 50-1,000%
Pacific Ridge to Reef Program

- 14 Countries
- 1 Regional Project
- 13 (14) National Projects
- Addressing environmental pressures from Ridge to Reef

Pacific R2R

- $91 millions of GEF grants + $330 millions of co-financing, UNDP, FAO, UNEP + Pacific community + countries
- Guiding principles: inter-connections, community to cabinet approach, gender mainstreaming, supporting planning ...
- Fostering resilience: secure livelihoods, food security, drought/flood preparedness, enhance benefits from fishing.

Other marine projects in the pacific

- PROP: Pacific Islands Regional Oceanscape Program
- The Dugong and Seagrass Conservation Project
- Implementation of the Arafura and Timor Seas Regional and National Strategic Action Programs

Thank you!
"Sustainable ecosystem management" is equal to "Sustainable land management (coastal protection)" against sea level rise in small island countries.

Coastal erosion, wave over-topping and inland inundation in small island countries during storms and spring high tide.

Land use: expansion of residential area to vulnerable low land
Corals are dead and covered by algae

Constructions against natural process
- Vertical sea walls: prevent sand sedimentation at their foots.
- Causeways: prevent sand transportation

From ocean to lagoon or release to deep ocean through boat channel.

Concrete Type Seawall
Hard structure measures (grey technology) intercept land and sea, and sometimes counteract with ecosystem-based coastal processes.

Ecosystem-based coastal protection
- Beach nourishments (not vertical seawalls)

Fongafale Is, Funafuti, Tuvalu
JICA technical cooperation project (photos by Nippon Koe)

Sewage treatment by bacteria and seawater
(Fujita 2016)

Organic matter = 18gBOD/PE/d
SO\textsubscript{4}\textsuperscript{2-} = 0.4gS/PE/d
\[ BOD : S = 45 : 1 \]

Immobilization carrier of Sulfate-reducing bacteria

BOD + SO\textsubscript{4}\textsuperscript{2-} \rightarrow H\textsubscript{2}S + CO\textsubscript{2} + H\textsubscript{2}O
\[ BOD : S = 1.6 : 1 \]

Soil does not have sufficient SO\textsubscript{4}\textsuperscript{2-} to degrade BOD.

Sea water is used!!

Production
Improvement of coastal environment is required before or in parallel with any ecosystem rehabilitation challenges.

Coral culture and transplantation
Okinotorishima

Then we can adopt ecotechnology.

Foram culture
Tuvalu
Ecosystem-based management (green (blue) technology) and grey (concrete) technology

- Only ecosystem-based management cannot save small island countries from rising sea level.
- Any grey countermeasure works must NOT conflict with, and should enhance natural ecological process which forms the island and coast.
- Combined grey and green technologies are necessary.

For ecosystem-based management to be implemented in small island countries.

- Basic data (elevation, land-use, habitat) are necessary, which most small island countries do not have.
- Understanding by local people and government.
- Planning and continuing management by local people and government.

Cardboard diorama

- needs basic data of elevation, land-use and habitat
- enhances understanding,
- help planning and management.
Prevention of Natural Disasters under Climate Change
Integrated Coastal Zone Management for Mitigation of Disasters in the Independent State of Samoa

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Cooperation between National University of Samoa and Waseda University

Integrated Coastal Zone Management:
Disasters + Global Warming + Coral Lagoon + Environment

Natural Disasters over the World:
Tsunami, Storm Surge, High Wave (Coastal Erosion), Earthquake, Fire, Flood, Liquefaction, Drought, Landslide, Volcanic Eruption

Basic Approach
① Field Survey + Numerical Simulation + Hydraulic Experiment
Creation of Real Image of Disaster
Common Images with Local Residents
② Variety of different scenarios of disasters in local conditions
It is necessary to decipher the social context of disasters,
to prepare disaster reduction scenarios,
and to work with local government staffs and local residents.

International Platform for Disaster Research

In frequent Attacks of Tsunamis and Storm Surges
Recent Field Surveys of my own

2004 Indian Ocean Tsunami, Sri Lanka, Indonesia, Thailand (caused by <Tsunami>)
Number of Losses and Unknowns
2005 Storm Surge by Hurricane Katrina, USA (caused by <Storm Surge>)

2006 Java Tsunami, Indonesia 668
2007 Storm Surge by Cyclone Sidr, Bangladesh 5,100
2008 Storm Surge by Cyclone Nargis, Myanmar 138,000
2009 Tsunami in Samoa Islands, Samoa 183

2010 Chile Tsunami, Chile 500
2010 Tsunami in Mentawai Islands, Indonesia 500
2011 Tohoku Tsunami, Japan 11,586 (caused by <Tsunami>)
2012 Storm Surge by Hurricane Sandy, USA (caused by <Storm Surge>)
2013 Storm Surge by Typhoon Yolanda, Philippines 1,311-1,362
2014 Storm Surge in Nemuro, Hokkaido Island, Japan, 0
Methodology 1

The Paradigm of Newtonian Mechanics and Ecosystem Model
1. Derive Equations
Physical Phenomena → Mathematical Equations
Time or Special Changes → d/dt, d/dt

Differential Equations

2. Solve the Equation Set and Get Solutions
2) Perturbation power series y=a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + a_3x^3 + ...

3) Numerical solutions

3) Compare the solutions with laboratory or field data to evaluate accuracies

Examples: Tsunami Propagation Model Ecosystem Model
Meteorology Based Storm Surge Model Turbulence Model for Structure Failure

Methodology 2

Field Survey + Regional Study
Comparative Study of Regional Preparedness
From the views of Prediction + Prevention + Correspondence

Survey Results over the world + Long History and Experiences in Japan

It is necessary to know the different levels of preparedness based on Regional Social Structures.

First Step to Tsunami Simulation
- Initial Displacement -

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Governing Equations for tsunami propagation

Mass conservation
\[ \frac{\partial C}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial (CN)}{\partial x} = 0 \]

Momentum conservation
\[ \frac{\partial CM}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial (CM)}{\partial x} = 0 \]
\[ \frac{\partial CN}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial (CN)}{\partial x} = 0 \]

Finite Difference Theme
Leap-frog Method

COUPLED WEATHER-STORM SURGE-WAVE-TIDE MODEL

WRF-FVCOM-XTIDE-MIROC5

GFS Data (NOAA) Meteorological data of whole globe

Choosing Area

TC-Rogue Scheme

MIROC5

Surface Temperature Ocean and Ground

Total Prediction

WRF: Weather Research and Forecasting Model

FVCOM: The Unstructured Grid Finite Volume Coastal Ocean Model

XTIDE: Tidal Prediction

Result
**METHODOLOGY: WRF**

TC-Bogussing Scheme

- Using artificial Rankin vortex for initial conditions

(Kurihara et al. 1993)

**Rankin Vortex**

\[ \text{Wind speed} = \frac{v_0}{(1 + \alpha x)^{1/2}} \]

\[ \text{Maximum velocity at the Max velocity diameter} = v_0 \]

\[ \alpha = \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 + \frac{1}{2} \right) \]

\[ (x > r_0) \]

\[ (1 > r_0) \]

With TC-Bogussing

- Concept of Rankin vortex

**Coral reef and tsunami**

- Coral reefs mitigated tsunami damage and illegal coral mining had created "low-resistance paths" that caused serious damage.

- Maldives
  - The damage was small in area with high dunes (without a developed reef) and serious in area with a developed reef (without a dune).

- Solomon
  - Coral reefs in front of the islands reduced tsunami heights in one area, but amplified tsunami heights in other areas.

- Samoa
  - People saw the wave breaking on top of coral reefs.
  - Wave breaking on coral reefs decreased the energy of tsunami.

**National University of Samoa**

- Coastal Zone Management
- Strengthen Local Society in Coastal Area by Fishery Industry

**Capacity Building**

**Waseda University**

- Disaster Mechanism, Environmental Change, Survey, Data Analysis, Modeling

**Otsuma University**

- Education and Behavior Analysis

**Yokohama National University**

- Analysis of Disaster Mechanism

**Foreign Visiting Professors in Waseda**

- Comparative Studies

**Ottawa U. E.L. KNT**

- University of Tokyo (Coral Reef, Fishery Industry)

**University of Tokyo**

- Regional preparedness for disasters

**Toyo University**

- Development of appropriate technology for coastal protection

**Tokyo Institute of Technology**

- Development of appropriate technology for coastal protection

**Sasakawa Peace Foundation**

- Method for Coastal Management

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**Applications to Other Island Countries in the Pacific Ocean**

**Applications to Japanese Small Islands**
Global Warming results;
Typhoon Attacks: More Frequently and Stronger
Storm Surge, High Waves, Coastal Erosion
Tsunami
Environmental Issue in Coral Lagoon;
Water Quality
Local Society, Local Fishery

1. A detailed study of tsunami disaster in 2009 and analysis of the rehabilitation process will be performed.
2. A detailed study of the coastal lagoon ecosystem will be undertaken to identify the main sources of stress on the local biodiversity.
3. Coastal monitoring systems will be enhanced, by developing the capacity at both the institutional and personal level.
4. An integrated coastal management system including sand management will be implemented.
5. The impact of future climate change will be assessed.
6. The personal and institutional capacity of Samoa National University will be dramatically enhanced.
7. Improvement of the warning and evacuation systems for local Society.
8. As part of the evacuation and relief system, the coastal road around the island will be strengthened against coastal erosion.

What should you do if a Tsunami was coming to your area in 40 minutes?

- Take our first edX course
- Study the mechanisms of coastal disasters
- Plan for disaster evacuation

MOOC (Massive Open Online Course)

Tsunamis and Storm Surges: Introduction to Coastal Disasters

Prof. Tomoya Shibayama
A leading researcher of coastal disaster prevention and coastal engineering at Waseda University

Waseda edX

Started January 18th, 2016
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Disastrous Experiences in Samoa

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National University of Samoa

The Factors that make Samoa Vulnerable

- Small Land Masses: total land area of approx 2,935 sq km with an EEZ of 120,00 sq km
- Small population: about 192,000 people
- 80% of the population live on coastal areas
- Small Economy, vulnerable especially to external shocks
- Limited Capacities

The Two Events That Made Disastrous Impacts in Recent Years

- 2009 Earthquake and Tsunami
  - September 2009, 8.0 magnitude earthquake 200 km south of the Tonga trench produced a tsunami which caused 143 deaths in Samoa and affected 2.5% of the total population
  - Future tropical and earthquake (and tsunamis) impact projections for both direct losses and emergency losses exceeds US $130 million and casualties of up to 325 people in any 50 year period
- 2009 tsunami photos

Tropical Cyclones in the South Pacific

Tropical Cyclones in Samoa

Samoa is exposed to a number of natural hazards, including tropical cyclones, floods, earthquakes, tsunamis and drought. According to the World Bank, Samoa is ranked 30th of countries most exposed to three or more hazards

- Samoa’s cyclone risk is rated as “extreme”, the worst cyclones to impact Samoa in recent times are Ofa in 1990 and Val in 1991 combined these caused 21 fatalities with total economic loss of US$500 million or 4 times the countries Gross Domestic Product

2012 Cyclone Evans

Considered the worst TC to impact Samoa since 1991

- TC Evan’s made landfall on December 13, 2012 and caused widespread damage across Samoa killing 5 people and displacing more than 4,763 people
- The extent and magnitude on the economy of the effects of TC Evans were substantial: the value of damage and loss is equivalent to 29% of the countries GDP
- Total estimated value of damage and loss (physical assets, production costs) is SAT 465 million or US $203.9 million

Video and Photos
Summary of Damage and Losses

Productive Sectors:
- Agriculture, Livestock, Fisheries, Manufacturing, Commerce, Tourism

Social sectors:
- Education, Health, Housing

Infrastructure:
- Electricity, Water and Sanitation and Transport

Cross Sectoral:
- Environment

Summary of Damage and Losses cont’d

Tourism cont’d:
- Promote, develop and support policies aimed at reduction of risks to tourism infrastructure and facilities
- Raise awareness at national, sector and community levels on the need to promote and support Climate Change adaptation measures
- Secure additional and sustainable financing mechanisms in support of tourism Climate Change adaptation actions
- Nation wide level
- Health: Increased capacity in preparedness, response and recovery in reducing risks associated with natural disasters. Community preparedness emphasizing an all hazards approach, construction of cyclone resistant infrastructure to prevent future flooding/damage and first aid training in the communities

Immediate Priorities:
- Conservation of remaining wildlife habitats must be recognized as highly important to ensure the continued survival of native species and habitats
- Medium Term Priorities: promotion of refuge areas with native forests still standing
- Conservation of high biodiversity value
- Conservation of undamaged or minimally damaged areas
- Long term Priorities: survey of all key lowland and upland sites recommended for conservation in national surveys

Resilience in Different Sectors

Agriculture: To improve preparedness, there is an urgent need to prepare and widely disseminate information to farmers e.g. farmers to regularly clear tree close to fences (one main damage input), move livestock to higher grounds
- Manufacturing and Commerce:
  - Recovery: cash grants for microenterprise working capital recovery
  - Reconstruction: cash grants for microenterprise reconstruction
- Tourism: To resilience and capacity by promoting and support urgent and immediate climate change adaptation action for tourism sector
- Build and increase resilience of tourist facilities and infrastructure against adverse impacts of Climate Change

Resilience in Different Sectors cont’d

Education: School buildings designs to be developed so that class rooms are resilient to strong winds and rain.
- Disaster Resilience in the Power Sector
  - Need to cut or trim hazardous trees
  - Updating and improving EPC’s standard design for construction (loading, compaction, line sagging etc)
- Develop and follow strict procedures for adding extra poles
- Improve asset management database

Resilience in Different Sectors cont’d

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Summary

The total financial requirements for post disaster economic recovery, reconstruction and disaster risk reduction in connection with TC Evan has been estimated for all sectors ($403 million Tala about $206 million US)
- $43 million US to ensure economic recovery in all sectors affected
- $122 million US to finance disaster resilient reconstruction of assets that were destroyed
- $40.6 million to finance Disaster Risk Reduction schemes
Disaster Risk Reduction in Small Island Development States based on International Frameworks

2016.12.6
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1. Increase in Natural Disasters

Why do disasters increase?

Natural Disaster and Disaster Risk Reduction

- After the year 2000, 1 million were killed, 3 billion were affected by natural disasters.
- 90% of victims lived in developing countries.
- US$ 1.68 trillion economic losses were caused by the major intensive global disasters from 2001 to 2011.
- Amid increase in natural disaster, “Disaster Risk Reduction” is inevitable for sustainable development.
2. Vulnerability of the Small Islands

World Risk Index (2014)

Disaster Vulnerable Countries

1. Vanuatu
2. Philippines
3. Tonga
4. Guatemala
5. Bangladesh
6. Solomon Islands
7. Costa Rica
8. El Salvador
9. Cambodia
10. Papua New Guinea
11. Timor-Leste
12. Brunei
13. Nicaragua
14. Mauritius
15. Guinea Bissau

Disadvantages of Small Islands

Smallness
Dispersion
Isolation
Long coastal line
Low lying islands
Distance from neighbor countries
Limitation of administrative capacity
High Disaster Risk, Low Coping Capacity

Deterioration of Freshwater Lens
Seawater Pollution
Drought & Water Shortage
Overcrowded Population
Stagnant World Economy
Escalating Food Prices
Energy Crisis
Flood & Cyclone
Vulnerability of Small Islands
Need to sustain Small Islands Economically, Socially and Environmentally

3. Disasters in the Pacific
Cyclone PAM
March 2015, Vanuatu

Earthquake and Tsunami
2013 Solomon Islands, 2009 Tonga and Samoa, 1998 PNG

Storm Surge

Hazard and Vulnerability - determinants of disaster

Decrease impact of Disasters

4. Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction
Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015-2030
The 3rd UN World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction
Sendai, 14-18 March, 2015

The Framework was adopted as the guiding policy for Disaster Risk Reduction by 180 countries.

Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015-2030

Priorities for Action
1. Understanding disaster risk
2. Strengthening disaster risk governance to manage disaster risk
3. Investing in disaster risk reduction for resilience
4. Enhancing disaster preparedness for effective response and to “Build Back Better” in recovery, rehabilitation and reconstruction

Before Disasters
After Disasters
Prevention and Mitigation >>> Response and Recovery

Disasters Obstruct Development

Guiding principles of Sendai Framework

• SIDS are recognized as countries facing specific disaster risk challenges that need special attention and support from International Society.
• Central Government of all countries including SIDS are primarily responsible for Disaster Risk Reduction in their countries.
  ✓ CBDR (common but different responsibility) principle should not be applied for Disaster Risk Reduction

5. Disaster Risk Reduction in Small Islands

Strengthening Capacity of Governments
Comprehensive DRR Training for administrators

Capacity
Technical transfers to meteorological services in the Pacific

Training course for Met Service staff in the Pacific

Community Based Disaster Risk Management

Inclusiveness

Improvement of village path

Community Center (Sherber)

Volunteer working for Disaster Management Office

Grant Aid and Concessional Loans

Weather observation station

Dyke and breakwater

Port Project taking CC into account

Investment

No One-Size Fits All

Tailored Solution is required

Necessary measures for Disaster Risk Reduction in SIDS

- Capital Cities and Urban Areas
  - Structural measures and urban planning to prevent disaster loss
- Remote Islands and Rural Areas
  - Early warning until the last mile and awareness to save life
  - Livelihood support for quick recovery from disasters
- Capacity Development to support DRR strategies

To make islands resilient

- Consecutive program from observation, early warning and accumulation of scientific data
- Programs taking disaster risk and impact of climate change into account
- Awareness, inclusiveness and community empowerment to reduce social vulnerability
- Capacity Development of Central and Local Governments
Thank you for your attention.
The Needs for the Waste Management in the Pacific Region and JICA’s Assistance

December 6, 2016
Environmental Management Department, JICA
Mimpei ITO

TODAY’S TOPICS

1. Features of the Pacific Island Countries (PICs)
2. Challenges on Waste Management in PICs
3. JICA’s cooperation to PICs
   (Overall perspective and “J-PRISM”)
4. Introduction of J-PRISM Phase II

1. Geographical features of PICs

1. Basic fact data of PICs

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Source: The data is from World Bank report, 2014, except for population data

1. Specific features of PICs

- **Remoteness of the islands**
  - Far from the international markets
  - Inconvenience of access

- **Narrowness of the lands**
  - Limitation of the size of the lands
  - Smallness of the size of domestic markets

- **Difficulty with economical independence**
  - Budget support from development partners
  - Lots of imported products

- Environmental problems are tend to become tangible/obvious.

2. Challenges on Waste Management

- Wastes increased and diversified due to market economy, changes of life style, rapid population flow into the capital city, etc.
- Difficulties in securing land for final disposal
- Wastes tend to remain in island because of remoteness and lack of appropriate recycling
- Inappropriate management of final disposal sites and hazardous wastes may cause huge negative impact on coral reefs and mangrove forests in the region.

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JICA’s cooperation to PICs (history)

Challenges for solid waste management were discussed during the Pacific Islands Leaders Meeting (PALM 2) in 2000.
- Dispatching long-term experts to SPREP (2000)
- Construction of the SPREP Education/Training center (2002)
- Launching a region-wide training program (2001), which was co-hosted by Okinawa and Samoa until 2007.
- Improvement of Tafaiga Talu landfill site, Samoa (2002-2005)

JICA’s technical cooperation

“J-PRISM”

Phase I: From 2011 to 2016
Phase II: From 2017 to 2022

Outcomes of J-PRISM Phase I

- Local experts on waste management and 3R were fostered and information related to those human resources were stored in PIDOC (Pacific Island Database of Capacity development activities).
- Improvement of management of waste collection and landfill site, introduction of CDL, promotion of environmental education, etc. Also Concept of waste segregation and waste minimization were shared in many countries (3R+ Return).
- Good lessons learnt and experiences in waste management were shared in region wide.
- Contribution for the establishment of Clean Pacific Roundtable (CPR) and Cleaner Pacific 2025.

Examples of Outcomes

- Improvement of the final disposal site by making full use of the Fukuoka Method, semi-aerobic landfill site.
- Deposit is included in the price of the product, and redeemed if the container is returned to designated collection center. It increases container collection rate, and prevent littering.
- In small island countries, containers need to be “returned”. For sustainable CDL system, the mechanism that involves importers and create management fund for collection center are crucial.

Pacific Regional Waste and Pollution Management Strategy 2016-2025
(Cleaner Pacific 2025)

- SPREP developed the “Cleaner Pacific 2025” with assistance from JICA.
- Long term comprehensive strategy of sustainable waste management and pollution control in the Pacific region until 2025.
- Priority Areas: SWM by local gov., asbestos, E-waste, healthcare waste, used oil, marine litter, disaster waste, and liquid waste.
- J-PRISM Phase II deals with SWM areas in the “Cleaner Pacific 2025”.

Outcomes of J-PRISM Phase I

[Container Deposit Legislation (CDL)]

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【Summary of cooperation】
- Preparation of necessary ministerial regulations, capacity development of local gov. on 3R and waste management in target cities (Palembang City and Balikpapan City)
- Draft ministerial regulations on 3R and domestic solid waste management are prepared in Ministry of Environment
- Solid waste management plans are prepared in the target cities
- Implement 3R related pilot projects (waste segregation, intermediate treatment center construction)
- Waste management capacity in the target cities are strengthened through the pilot project.

【Good Practices of R Cooperation】
- Collection activity of recyclables in a target community
  - Compressed aluminum cans waiting for export (FSM)

Outcomes of J-PRISM Phase I

Reduce: Discharge control of waste
Reuse: Continuous use of items
Recycle: Material recycle
Return: Export of recyclable waste; Return organic waste to soil by composting

【Good Practices of R Cooperation】
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4. Introduction of J-PRISM Phase II

【Project Purpose】
Human and institutional capacity base for sustainable solid waste management in the pacific region is strengthened through implementation of the “Cleaner Pacific 2025”

【Period of Project】
Feb. 2016 - Feb. 2021

⇒ 1) Strengthening waste management capacity of 9 target countries,
2) Promoting regional cooperation for sustainability,
3) Highlighting 3R+Return initiative as an important activity

(1) Regional cooperation (with SPREP)
- Develop a monitoring system to grasp the progress of the “Cleaner Pacific 2025”
- Develop a flexible training plan and financial mechanism that PICs counterparts participate to the training (including practical use of expert searching database (PIDOC))
- Develop a regional guideline of disaster waste management
- Conduct baseline studies on recycling practices in the target countries, and study on 3R+Return system in the pacific region.

(2) Bilateral cooperation
- Establishment of solid waste management system
- Development of practical solid waste management strategy and strengthening of waste management capacity through concrete activities for the implementation of the strategy
- Support to country specific waste issues

【Priority issues of “Cleaner Pacific 2025” and cooperation of J-PRISM Phase II】

PPP, awareness improvement, hazardous waste management (healthcare waste, E-waste, used oil, battery cell, asbestos) are not included in J-PRISM Phase II. We welcome your active participation!!

Thank you for your attention!

Please contact at: Ito.Mimpei@jica.go.jp
Plastics contain heavy metals and other hazardous substances e.g. POPs, EDCs, lead and colourants, PFCs.

In my opinion, unless the cooperation of business & Industry is obtained, very little will change.

The concept of a "waste hierarchy" that suggests preferred orders of action to reduce waste generation and preventing litter from entering the marine environment. The toolkit also highlights the circular economy approach that prevents the generation of waste products.

The First World Ocean Assessment met with concern that the plastics & microplastics issue will continue to pose serious threats to the marine environment; that their impact is rapidly increasing, that the plastics in the marine environment degrade very slowly and that they absorb & emit toxins such as POPs; they contribute to the distribution & spread of harmful organisms. All this has adverse effects on local societies & economies, as well as marine life, ecosystems & ecosystems services such as fisheries, maritime transport, recreation & leisure.

Concentrations of marine debris in the North Atlantic & Caribbean Oceans were subject to two or more ocean currents converging at the ocean convergence zones, or gyres. Gyres are where two important ocean currents meet. For island & coastal communities, environmentally sound disposal of recovered marine debris & microplastics is critical to the future of SIDS. The Global Oceans Commission summarized that proposals to address the degradation of ocean health & marine biodiversity of marine pollution including marine litter (especially plastic).

The Global Partnership on Marine Litter was launched as part of the Global Programme of Action.

In August 2014 at the 3rd International Conference on SIDS ("SIDS-3") held in Samoa, conservation & sustainable use of the oceans & coastal areas for the benefit of present & future generations was identified as critical to the future of SIDS. The Global Oceans Commission summarized that proposals to address the degradation of ocean health & marine biodiversity of marine pollution including marine litter (especially plastic).

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**FIRST WORLD OCEAN ASSESSMENT 2015 BY DOALOS, UN CONVENTION ON LAW OF THE SEA – CONT’D**

The First World Ocean Assessment further noted the emerging issue of the smallest nano-sized microplastic particles & expressed concern about how these particles might enter marine food chains and the potential risk to human health and the environment.

Nanoparticles are a form of marine debris with dimensions of 1-100 nanometres. (A nanometre is one-millionth of a millimetre.) A large part of marine nanoparticles are natural, but nanoparticles deriving from two anthropogenic sources are concerning. These are:

- Intentionally-created nanoparticles for industrial or cosmetic use; and
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**GEF FUNDING AVAILABLE**

During Stockholm COP-5, several developing countries called for monitoring of fish for the presence of toxins and endocrine-disrupting chemicals. Under the Mercury Convention, the Ultimate Initial Assessment (“UIA”) can be used to conduct fish monitoring, together with other monitoring of biota (including sediment & soil tests). More studies are needed to fill knowledge gaps for Pacific SIDS and least-developed countries which depend so much on ocean resources for food security and national GDP.

The Global Environment Facility (GEF), in coordination with UNEP, identified ocean plastic pollution as one of its priorities. The GEF 5th session, which concluded in October 2016, laid the basis for the next funding replenishment (“GEF-7”). A multinational programme is to tackle the “continuing degradation” of the coasts and shallow waters of the Mediterranean. Its aim is to reduce pollution, secure freshwater supplies in critical areas, monitor trends and improve the management and financial sustainability of protected areas, in a highly innovative integrated way.

Registration of this project in the Pacific Ocean would guide policymakers for those who depend on marine resources for their nutrition and livelihoods.

**UN HIGH-LEVEL CONFERENCE IN JUNE 2017 ON IMPLEMENTATION OF SDG-14**

The High-Level UN Conference will be co-hosted by the Governments of Fiji and Sweden, and will take place in New York, USA.

UN General Assembly President has announced co-chairs (Portugal & Singapore) who will ensure intergovernmental negotiations are concluded in the period up to May 2017 on the outcome document of the Conference entitled “Call for Action.”

For many SIDS & coastal communities in least developed countries, our marine source of protein is threatened by toxics in the marine food web, such as POPs and polybrominated transferred by global deposition. These toxic substances biomagnify through successive predators and pose a threat to human health of Pacific SIDS and coasts with other monitoring of biota (including sediment & soil tests). More studies are needed to fill knowledge gaps for Pacific SIDS and least-developed countries which depend so much on ocean resources for food security and national GDP.

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**CONCLUDING THOUGHTS**

Proper implementation of the UN Conventions on Chemicals & Wastes needs strong global action to reduce pollution of the oceans & seas by marine plastic litter.

Multinational Corporations need to eliminate production of plastics that cannot be recycled, in particular single-use items like sachets. Corporate leadership in re-design and re-use of plastics is essential for an effective outcome.

We need to reduce pollution of the oceans & seas from land-based activities; and we need to collect marine plastic litter in strategic locations.

But then we need to use environmentally sound processes to dispose of what marine plastic litter is collected so that we may ALL eat seafoods safely.
GROWTH OF LAGOON ALGAE IN RAROTONGA CAUSED BY POOR WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT

2017/3/15

PRESENTATION AT SECOND GENERAL MEETING OF ISLANDS & OCEANS NETWORK
6-7 DECEMBER 2016 AT INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE HALL, OCEAN POLICY RESEARCH INSTITUTE, SASAKAWA PEACE FOUNDATION, TOKYO

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UNEP RECOMMENDS VALUATION OF COST OF INACTION & TO CONSIDER VALUE OF TAKING ACTION

- In 2015 a UNEP report, titled ‘Economic Valuation of Wastewater: The Cost of Action and the Cost of No Action,’ finds that wastewater collection, treatment, disposal or safe use – for example, for irrigation – can provide environmental and health benefits. It proposed a methodology to provide an estimation of the value of these benefits, comparing the financial costs of collection and treatment, with the environmental and health costs of releasing untreated wastewater.

PUT A VALUE ON BENEFITS OF AVOIDING THREATS TO HUMAN HEALTH & ENVIRONMENT

- The 2015 UNEP authors note that the environmental and health costs to society of releasing untreated wastewater include diarrhea-related diseases, skin problems and cancer, while the environmental costs can include disruption of aquatic ecosystems, loss of recreational opportunities in polluted areas, and increased greenhouse gas emissions. Excess phosphorus and nitrogen in waterways can stimulate the growth of algae, causing eutrophication and reducing biodiversity.

- Yet, managing wastewater is typically perceived only as a cost.

- The authors considered the financial costs of investing in wastewater treatment, including the construction costs of pipelines, and of annual operating costs of treatment systems.

- The UNEP Report concludes that valuation of the benefits of wastewater treatment is necessary to justify the substantial investment that will be needed to address the challenge.

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DECEMBER 2004 ALGAL BLOOM

- In December 2004, algae started to grow on the floor of iconic Muri Lagoon in Rarotonga. Not only was it unattractive to look at, but it smelt bad. All hotel owners could do was rake the beach every day.

- The prevailing theory for the cause was that there nutrients going into the lagoon from wastewater (leaking septic tanks); laundry detergents containing phosphorus; wastewater from piggeries; and pesticide run-off from agricultural activities.

- NGO’s took samples of the algae and got them analysed in Australia. Radio New Zealand reported on the results; we had to face an angry crowd of hoteliers & tour operators.

- We told them that we could attribute the algal bloom to the very strong El Nino, but that suspect wastewater systems would have to be remedied to avoid future recurrence and permanent damage to tourism.

- In February 2005, we had five cyclones in one month, and the associated rough seas flushed the lagoon & deracinated the algae; the problem ceased.
**EU WATSAN PROJECT TO CLEAN UP LAGOON**

- In about 2009, the EU-funded Water & Sanitation (“WATSAN”) project started.
- I was one of the NGO community spokespeople on the Project Steering Committee. The project plan was first to require designated domestic installations to convert to composting toilets and then after two years would deal with commercial properties. NGO’s queried why we were not starting with the commercial properties, since their greater volume of wastewater had greater impacts on the lagoon. We were ignored.
- After two years, each designated household had paid NZ$1,500 to comply and lagoon water quality monitoring showed modest improvements.

**PROPER SEWAGE DISPOSAL IS A COST OF DOING BUSINESS FOR COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES**

- And then the hotel properties started demanding a centralized sewage system. As NGO community spokespersons, our first question was where to find the land for the wastewater treatment coming from the proposed centralized system.
- We suggested that instead they could emulate our flagship Pacific Resort Hotel which has a containerized wastewater processing plant on its property. It treats the wastewater to a point where it could be used to drip-irrigate the gardens.
- In 2015, we had a very strong El Nino period, similar to the 2004 season, and in December 2015 the algal bloom came back. The Chamber of Commerce insisted that mechanical diggers were the only way to deracinate the algae.
- March 2016 was the deadline by which commercial properties should have complied with WATSAN standards passed. There were several enquiries through the media about closure of hotel properties which were in breach of the standards.

**AT LEAST ONE MARINE BIOLOGIST HAS SIMPLE ADVICE**

- A resident marine biologist, Dr Charley Waters, says the change in our lagoon has accelerated in recent years “but it is a condition scientists have been telling Cook Islanders and the government about for decades! This is simple stuff. Basic stuff.
- If your septic system isn’t working you are putting fertilisers into the lagoon. If you put fertiliser into the lagoon you feed the algae. If you feed algae you cut off sources of nutrition for the coral.
- A better question is why aren’t we doing anything about it?...But that’s out of my realm. It’s policy, and politics and economics and health, public safety and so forth.

**WILL SWIFT ACTION NOW FIX THE PROBLEM?**

- The Cook Islands News asked Dr Waters if our lagoon water is cleaned up within two years is there a chance of saving it?
- The answer is maybe. Between now and those two years it may reach a point where it is no longer recoverable.
Fighting Marine Litter: Legislative Options

Overview

Introduction
Comprehensive legislation and policies
Laws governing production and use of land-based materials
Managing waste disposal into the marine environment
Cross-cutting issues
Conclusions

The Problem of Marine Litter

- **Marine litter:** Any persistent, manufactured, or processed solid material that is discarded, disposed of, or abandoned in the marine and coastal environment

- Estimated 13,000-18,000 pieces of marine litter per square kilometer of ocean
  - Most of it plastic
  - Most from land-based sources
  - Difficult and expensive to remove → focus on prevention

Comprehensive National Laws and Policies

- **Japan:** Law for the Promotion of Marine Litter Disposal (LPMLD)
- **South Korea:** Marine Environmental Management Act of 2009 (MEM Act)
- **European Union:** EU Marine Strategy Framework Directive (MSFD)

Countries usually address marine litter problems by inclusion of relevant provisions within broader legislation

International Law

- **MARPOL**
- **Convention on the Prevention of Marine Pollution by Dumping of Wastes and Other Matter** (London Convention)

Production and Use of Land-Based Materials: Plastic Bag Bans and Microbead Regulation

- **Plastic bags** harm sea turtles and other marine animals which mistake them for food; they also clog municipal drains which exacerbates flooding

  **Bangladesh** was the first country to ban plastic bags
  - A fine and up to ten years imprisonment for those who “manufacture, market or import” plastic bags
  - Up to six months imprisonment for those who “sell, exhibit for sale, stock, commercially transport or commercially use” them
  - Many other jurisdictions have followed suit, banning thin plastic bags

- **Microbeads:** Mild abrasive plastic particles that have been intentionally added to home and personal care products

  **United States:** Seven states adopted legislation restricting the use of microbeads in personal care products

  - Maryland, Illinois, Maine, New Jersey, Colorado, Indiana, and California
Production and Use of Land-Based Materials: Nurdles

- Nurdles are tiny pellets of plastic resin, the raw materials that are melted or melded to produce plastic goods.
  - Cheap and do not biodegrade
  - Long-lasting
- Regulating Nurdles
  - California law requires best management practices for companies that manufacture, handle, and transport nurdles.
  - Voluntary nurdle management efforts in the United States, Spain, Portugal, Mexico and Japan.

Source: UNEP

Prohibiting and Disincentivizing Retail Use of Plastics

- Plastic bag bans: many countries and subnational jurisdictions
  - Laws governing the thickness of plastic bags
- Bans on stirrers, utensils, cups: India
- Taxes or levies on plastic bags
- Banning so-called "biodegradable" plastics
- Bans on polystyrene

Source: UNEP

Managing Waste Disposal into the Marine Environment

- Legislation governing waste disposal into the marine environment:
  1. Land-based disposal
  2. Cleanup of land-based waste
  3. Abandoned, lost, and discarded fishing gear; and
  4. Litter from ships

Source: NOAA

Land-Based Disposal and Cleanup

- Restrictions on siting of landfills (e.g., in flood plains and wetlands)
  - U.S. Resource Conservation and Recovery Act
- Prohibiting open dumps
  - Philippines Ecological Solid Waste Management Act of 2000

Abandoned, Lost, and Discarded Fishing Gear

- Abandoned, lost, and discarded fishing gear (ALDFG):
  - Crab pots, nets, or fishing line may be lost or intentionally discarded by fishers while at sea
- Prohibitions on use of plastic gear
  - St. Kitts and Nevis
- Prohibitions on leaving ALDFG
  - Namibia
- Financial incentives and education
  - South Korea

Marine Litter from Ships

- Based on MARPOL
- Grenada: Created specially protected marine zones under its Marine Protected Areas Law
  - Prohibits the discharge of waste in marine protected areas, including the discharge of "any refuse...or any other item harmful to animals or plants, or any unsightly item, or substance which does or is likely to destroy or reduce amenities of the area."
Artificial Reefs

- Artificial reefs are created for:
  1. Fish stock enhancement and fishery management
  2. Conservation, research, recreation, and restoration of the marine habitat
  BUT can release pollution into the marine environment

- Australia:

Source: UNEP
Source: UN
Source: NOAA

Managing Waste in the Marine Environment
Research, Monitoring, and EIA

- United States: Marine Debris Research, Prevention, & Reduction Act (MDRPR):

- Environmental Impact Assessment:
  - Almost all countries have EIA legislation
  - assess the potential for waste and debris to enter the marine environment
  - identify preventive and mitigating measures
  - create legally binding obligations to prevent and reduce marine litter from the project

Public and Private Engagement

- Mandate often provided in legislation (but not a requirement)

- Addressing the global problem of marine litter requires public education and engagement
  - Marine Litter Watch (MLW) in the European Union

- Engagement of the private sector is one of the top priorities in the global effort to combat marine litter.

Conclusions

- Needed to fight the problem of Marine Litter:
  - More government funding and action along with community involvement (instead of privatizing) for cleanups
  - More funding to educate coastal communities about marine litter and proper disposal
  - Governments should invest in research for alternative solutions for reduction and prevention
  - Penalties should be clear and enforced
Better Conservation and Integrated Management of Islands and Their Surrounding Oceans

Conservation and Management of Islands
- Samoa supports Ridge to Reef (R2R) Approach
- Samoa strives to reinforce Integrated Management of its Natural Resources, Environment and Built Environment
- Samoa recognises the importance of working in partnership with all key stakeholders to achieve common goals and objectives.
- Samoa is continually looking at avenues to strengthen the development of strategic planning and implementation of island-scale management decision – in the form of its SDS 2016 - 2020 and the NESP 2017 - 2021

National Planning Framework

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Sector Planning Reforms
- Sector wide and cross sectoral programmes
- 14 Sectors identified
- Environment Sector recently recognised as a Sector
- Strengthen coordination of common goals / objectives, optimise the use of limited and available resources (horizontal and vertical integration)
- Strengthen the sharing of information
SECTOR PLANNING REFORMS

National Budget
Sector Plan
NGOs Government
Corporations Ministry Corporate Plan

Strategy for the Development of Samoa 2017-2030

The Environment Sector

The Environment Sector - From Ridge to Reef

Upland habitats and cloud forests
Lowlands
Coastal habitats
Inshore & Offshore Marine habitats
Rural and Urban Built environment
Rivers and Streams
Protected areas
Atmosphere, Weather and Climate.

SECTOR PRIORITY AREAS

- Sustainable Management and Protection of Natural Resources
  - Land, Water, Forest, Biological Diversity and Oceans
- Sustainable and Resilient Built Environment
  - Renewable Energy
  - Solid Waste Management
  - Chemical and Hazardous Waste Management
  - Sanitation (incl. Wastewater)
  - Air Quality
  - Infrastructure – Building, Transport
  - Population
  - Development
- Mainstreaming Climate Change and Disaster Risk Management
  - Climate Change
  - Disaster Risk Management
  - Meteorological, Weather and Climate
- Governance
  - Coherent and Responsive Policy and Legislative Framework
  - Streamlined Monitoring, Evaluation and Reporting (Project/National/Regional/International)
- Institutional and Coordination Framework (cross-sectoral) - Institutional Roles/Ownership
  - MTEF (Forward planning/harmonisation of funding streams/ predictability of funding etc)
  - Coordinated Capacity Development
  - Communication and Information Management

Sector Policy Strategy

National Environment Sector Plan (NESP)
- Situational analysis / baseline context within which priorities are based upon
- Articulates sector priorities in line with the SDS
- Identifies the Framework for Action to achieve priorities
- Provides the M & E Framework
- Clarifies Institutional Arrangements, Roles and Responsibilities of each Implementing Partner
- Identifies the Coordination Framework
- Provides the MTEF
Issues and Challenges

- Grid stability
  - Intermittent supply of RE sources
- No electricity storage
  - Storage options such as batteries, water storage, flywheels, etc
- Land Issues
  - Most RE sources are on land which belongs to village communities

Way Forward for Renewable Energy

- INDC Implementation Strategy to be completed by December 2016
- RE / EE registry to be established in December 2016 to enable access to global carbon markets
- More RE to be grid-connected by 2017
- Electricity storage to be implemented by 2017
- Collaboration with communities is key
- Seek more funds – for Implementation!

Recommendations at the Sector level

1. Already have a number of plans in place. Where relevant, need to look at reviewing the existing policy framework to strengthen coherence and responsiveness to current and emerging issues.
2. Implementation and Enforcement are key issues. Need resources to implement strategic plans in place. For example the NiSP – Programme of Action – Buy in from DPs to finance what has already been identified and prioritised. Do not encourage standalone plans.
3. Access to technical assistance to assist islands establish, validate and/or improve on existing environmental baselines as well as socio-economic baselines, undertake State of Environment Reporting and Annual Report Cards for Islands
Coastal Ecosystem (Coral Reef, Mangrove Forests and Seagrass bed) Conservation Project using ICM Package

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Integrated Coastal Management

*Policy Proposal for ICM Implementation in 2015*

**General Proposal**

*Implementation and supporting mechanisms are urgent needs.*

*Proposal 1.*

Local governments should implement ICM

*Proposal 2.*

National governments should support

*Proposal 3.*

Sea area into local gov’s jurisdiction

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**Situation Understanding**

Material Cycling and Bio Diversity as Indicators of Coastal Area

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**Consensus Building**

ICM Projects

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For the better promotion of Local Coasts

- ICM Formulations

**EBM Processes**
- Diagnostic Assessments

**CBM Processes**
- 5 steps

- Network of LG

- Institutional Arrangements

- Ocean Education, Capacity Building

- Promotion of Local Community

- Supports
  - Governments, Scientists

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**ICM Projects**

**Consensus Building**

**ICM Plan**

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**Integrated Coastal Management**

- Example of Hinase Area, Bizen City

1950s: 590 ha
1970s: 82 ha
1980s: 12 ha

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**Integrated Coastal Management**

- **Eel-grass Habitats**

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**Implementation by HFCA**

- Supported by Prefectural Fisheries Institute

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**Situation Understanding by Fisherman**

1. Flower shoots correction (Spring)
2. Maturing (Spring-Summer)
3. Selection (Summer)
4. Sowing (Autumn)

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**Situation under Leading by Kazakhstan**

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4. Sowing (Autumn)
Hinase Eelgrass Bed Promotion Counsil Members (83 ind.)

Integrated Coastal Management
Consensus Building and Its Expansion

• Cooperation with Okayama Coop.

Integrated Coastal Management
Link with Education

Cooperation with Okayama Coop.

Integrated Coastal Management

• link with education

590 ha 12 ha 82 ha 38 ha

56 ha 80 ha 200 ha

1950s 1985 1970s 2005

2006 2007 2011

2015

1985 Start of Restoration

Eel grass Habitation

250 ha 200 ha 80 ha 56 ha

Lessons Learnt

• Scientific study is important before implementing breakwater project

• PO learned and experienced management of infrastructure project

• Will serve as basis for future study on the effect of the breakwater project on sedimentation and on mangroves planted

• Systematic approach in project management (from planning to actual implementation) with direct community involvement
Zoological Society of London
Community-based Mangrove Rehabilitation Project

February 2010 – March 2011

May 2012 – November 2014

Coastal Ecosystem (Coral Reef, Mangrove Forests and Seagrass bed)
Conservation Project using ICM Package

POTENTIAL PROJECT 3
2-1 On Conservation and Management of Islands
Conservation of Coral Reefs and Mangrove Forests (2-1.e)
Eco-engineering, scale and boundaries of Ecosystem (2-1.a)

Proposed Steps of Action:
1. Site-selection based on on-site hearing / meeting with local residents and field observation of ecosystems guided by local governments. (1-2 months)
2. Formulating local task force with stakeholders (governments, local municipalities, local leaders, residents, fishermen etc.). (3 months)
3. ICM Planning by task force with public consultations. (6 month)
4. Project implementation by public private partnership with PDCA cycle. (1 year and onwards)

Leading Organizations:
Kiribati, Ocean Policy Research Institute
Potential Partners:
Government of Island States (local and National), Research Institutions (SPREP, USP etc.)

Goal:
To develop sustainable conservation and wise-use of local coastal ecosystem with integrated management. It is targeting constructing self-sustained mechanisms under national and international supports based on better understanding on importance of ecosystem services.
Mangrove conservation

Important, productive ecosystems
- Nursery for fisheries; Wood extraction; Carbon sequestration; Coastal protection; Sediment traps; Tourism value
- In Fiji mangroves ecosystem services value = $100 million
- Vanuatu case study: US$4,300 to US$8,500 per hectare per year
- Mangroves are 12% of land area in Federated States of Micronesia, 10% in Papua New Guinea and Palau
- Flagship ecosystem in an integrated approach to coastal ecosystem management
- Provide significant social, economic and cultural benefits for the people of the Pacific Islands
- Threats include - Overexploitation; Habitat destruction - urban and coastal development; Climate change impacts
- In Tonga 60% of mangroves estimated to have been lost

Mangrove conservation and rehabilitation
- Key natural adaptation and mitigation strategy for climate change effects in Pacific Island countries
- Prioritised in many National Adaptation Programmes of Action (NAPA) and National Biodiversity Strategic Action Plans (NBSAP)

Challenges to good management
- Governance strengthening
- Disconnect between formal and traditional management systems
- Limited baseline information
- Weakening traditional management
- Lack of awareness and limited capacity

Pacific Mangroves Initiative
- Collaborative platform that supports mangrove related activities across the Pacific:
  - conservation of mangroves
  - coastal zone management
  - livelihoods of communities that live in mangrove areas
- Fiji, Vanuatu, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga, IUCN, SPREP, UNDP

Aims to:
- Implement sound practices and capacity building in mangrove management
- Raise awareness on the value of coastal ecosystem goods and services
- Build capacity at all levels to help governments make informed decisions

IUCN Regional Mangrove Projects

Mangrove Ecosystem for Climate Change Adaptation and Livelihoods project (MESCAL)
- Stakeholder-based solutions supported by scientific evidence and traditional knowledge
- Co-management plans
- Economic valuations of mangrove ecosystem services
- Biodiversity assessment reports

Mangrove Rehabilitation for Sustainably Managed Healthy Forests project (MARSH)
- Assessments of species composition, structure, biomass and carbon stocks
- Training communities and increasing capacity of national institutions
### Renewable Energy

#### Pacific Islands Countries and Territories (PICTs) Goals and ambitions

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#### Challenges

- **Technical and human capacity** – "Lack of local capacity to design, implement, monitor and maintain renewable energy systems is one of the key challenges that SIDS face." HE Baron Waqa, President of Nauru
- **Maintenance** - corrosion by moisture, salt and fine coral dust; cyclone and high wind damage; high operating temperature
- **Land tenure** – often communally owned; complex systems of access right
- **Diversity of PICTs** – size; geography; population density; GDP; resource availability; access to funding; and more
- **Policy and regulatory frameworks** – designed for centralised utilities that often vertically integrated and state owned

#### Programme examples

- **Pacific Community (SPC)**
  - Pacific Centre for Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency
  - Pacific Regional Data Repository
  - JICA
  - Hybrid Islands
  - Adapting to Climate Change and Sustainable Energy Programme
  - IRENA
    - SIDS Lighthouses Initiative

- **ADB**
  - Promoting Access to Renewable Energy in the Pacific
  - Promoting Energy Efficiency in the Pacific

### Renewable Energy

#### IUCN Energy Programme

**Low Carbon Islands**
- Nauru, Niue and Tuvalu
- Global Environment Facility Pacific Alliance for Sustainability (GEF/PAS); UNEP; IUCN executing agency
- Goal: replacing fossil fuels by renewable energy resources and energy conservation

**Energy, Ecosystems and Sustainable Livelihoods initiatives (EESLI)**
- Marshall Islands, Palau, Samoa, Tonga, Tuvalu, Vanuatu, Federated States of Micronesia, Fiji, Kiribati, Papua New Guinea
- Funding partnership with Italy, Austria, Luxembourg, Spain
- Goal: reducing the impacts of climate change through sustainable energy initiatives

### Renewable Energy

#### Low Carbon Islands

- **More favourable regulatory environment** - Policy Development workshops; Legislative review and policy development and amendments; Renewable Energy policies for Independent Power Producers; Power Purchase Agreements; Feed-in Tariffs;
- **Awareness and capacity building** - Training workshops for public and private sector (certified Solar PV technicians); Policy development workshops (Utilities, Justice and Finance ministries); Website with energy costs calculator
- **Low Carbon Fund** - Loan and discount incentives for private sector (businesses and households) to switch to energy efficient appliances; Partnership with Development Banks, Utilities and IUCN; Low carbon vehicles
Renewable Energy
Energy, Ecosystems and Sustainable Livelihoods Initiatives (EESLI)

- Grants and capacity support for countries to undertake projects
- Small grants for RE solutions and small innovative projects

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Thank you
Land based development and its impact on people's livelihood on coastal communities Manus Province - PNG

Kenn Mondiai
6 – 8 December 2016
Sasakawa Peace Foundation
Main Conference Hall

Partners With Melanesians
Who are We ? & What we Do ?

- Registered National Not for Profit Conservation & Community Development NGO (32 years)
- Work with local, national and international partners in PNG + Pacific implementing project activities

(Our 8 Programs)

- Biodiversity Conservation
- Capacity Building for local partners
- Consensus Building
- Climate Change & SFM - Reforestation/Mangrove
- Appropriate Technology
- Sustainable Livelihood Activities
- Participatory 3 Dimensional Modelling – Land use Planning (P3DM)

Where are we now from 2015 ?

- Proposal IONet/SPF needed some improvements.
- Working toward getting the Provincial and National Government to come in as partners.
- Engagement with Government from a NGO level is difficult.

4 Main Issues in Manus

FORESTRY & LOGGING
DEEP SEA MINING (DSM)
Planned, but serious danger ??

URBAN HOUSEHOLD WASTE DUMPING

LAND BASED MINING
COASTAL & ISLAND COMMUNITIES DISPLACED

Area of Concern

Undersea Mining Tenements and Leases
Forest Management on an Island and coastal areas, is a very big challenge and protect, rehabilitate or management.

We developed community approaches to deal with land and local communities in heavily populated areas where the issue of landownership is sensitive.

We believe with the same approach with some modification, we can successfully work on Manus (Island community) with degraded forest replanting and mangrove rehabilitation.

**Land Based Activities => Linkage => Marine-Coastal Ecosystem Issues**

- Large Scale Logging
- Oil Palm/Rubber Plantations
- Shifting Cultivation
- Small scale forest business
- Forest fire
- Mining exploration, but in some areas actual mining
- Soil erosion
- Reef destruction from silts
- Marine ecosystem destroyed
- Mangrove dieback

**IMPACTS ON COASTAL COMMUNITIES**

- Due to surging sea level and storms mangroves are destroyed
- Coastal land eroded away from waves and king tides
- Fish catch reduced due to mangroves dying from salt water intrusion and fuel wood harvesting
- Population growth
- Floating urban household wastes all over the islands and into mangroves and on reefs
- Marine animals die from eating plastics
- Displaced communities from climate change impacts … relocation/land social issues etc

**Policy Developments in PNG**

1. PNG Government has now developed a policy on deep sea mining. (Not out yet)
2. Ratified the International Law of the Seas
3. Enter into new agreement with USA with regard to fisheries
4. Trade issues with Philippines regarding tuna catch from PNG waters for Canaries in Philippines.

**Conclusion**

From 2015 to now, we see working in partnership is crucial to address regional, national and local issues faced by people in the Islands and Ocean; however this is based on VOLUNTARY COLLABORATIVE INVOLVEMENT, so the need to reach-out to Government Agencies and Bodies must be emphasised here.

Thank you very much!
Overview:
- Micronesia Challenge Update
- Coastal Fishery Conservation/Development Efforts
- Electronic Monitoring Project

Scope and Commitment
The governments of Federated States of Micronesia, Guam, Marshall Islands, Northern Mariana Islands, and Palau agree to effectively conserve at least 30% of the near-shore marine resources and 20% of the terrestrial resources across Micronesia by 2020.

Sustaining the Challenge
- Strengthened / established 150+ managed areas, over 680,000 hectares
- Total endowment target of ~$56M (endowment currently stands at over $18,000,000)
- Implementation of local income generating mechanisms (e.g. Palau’s “Green Fee” generates ~$1.5M per year)

Coastal Fishery Conservation/Development Efforts
- Palau
  - 80% EEZ under Protection
- FSM
  - Considering 12miles industrial fishing ban across all islands
- RMI
  - Declaration of archipelagic status across RMI island chains.
  - Currently ban industrial fishing with 50 miles around Majuro, Arno and Ebeye.

EM Project Goal
Develop the institutional capacity of Pacific Island fisheries management authorities to integrate EM systems into national and regional observer and MCS programs.

Project Objectives
(i) demonstrate how EM system can help scale up coverage rates (e.g., 5% regional observer coverage goal and beyond);
(ii) determine the initial and annual costs for establishing and ongoing implementation of the EM systems, including data review/analysis, and explore potentials for cost recovery;
Project Objectives
(iii) develop cost effective data review protocols to provide accountability and utility for science, management, and MCS purposes.
(iv) Incentivize technical opportunities to improve EM systems, including data collection innovations and data analysis automation, to enhance precision/accuracy and reduce costs.

Project Partners
• Domestic Fisheries Authorities
  – BMR Palau
  – NORMA FSM
  – MIMR RMI
  – MFMR Solomon Islands
• Regional Fisheries Authorities
  – PNA
  – WCPFC
  – SPC
  – FFA

Project Partners
• Industry
  – Lienchang Fishing Ventures, China
  – Kinkatsuuyo LIA, Okinawa, Japan
  – Tri-Marine, U.S.
  – KFC, PITI (Liancheng affiliates)
  – NORPAK, U.S.
  – ANOVA, U.S.
• NGOs
  – ISSF (International Sustainable Seafood Foundation)
  – PEW
  – WWF

Geographies/Scale
• Palau
  – 4 fresh LL vessels, Koror-based (installs completed)
  – 3 fresh LL vessels, Tomari, Okinawa-based (installs scheduled mid-November)
• FSM
  – 5 frozen LL vessels, Pohnpei-based (installs scheduled early November)
• RMI
  – (# fresh LL vessels & install schedule TBD, Majuro-based, target 6)
• Solomon Islands
  – (# fresh LL vessels & install schedule TBD, Honiara and Noro-based, range 6-10)

Deliverables
• Install EM systems & train staff
  – Local technicians on the ground
• Establish In-country SVM Data Review Centers
  – SPC RFRO & TUBs database linkage
  – Recruit and train observers and supervisory staff
    • Palau
    • FSM
    • Solomon Islands?
• Prepare final report with recommendations
  – Data standards
  – Scaling up/increase regional EM coverage
  – Legislative/regulatory hurdles

Thank You
Session 2:

Management of the Surrounding Ocean Areas
Potential Impact of the South China Sea Arbitration on Maritime Jurisdiction in the Pacific

Professor Stuart Kaye
Islands and Oceans Net (IoNet) 2nd General Meeting
6-7 December 2016

Session 2.a.

Islands

- South China Sea Arbitration
  - Detailed consideration of the definition of an island under Article 121
  - Failure to recognise any features in the South China Sea as anything more than a rock
    - No features generate an EEZ or continental shelf

Ilu Aba Island

- 46 hectares in area
- 1200 metre runway
- Population of around 600 personnel
- Photovoltaic power station and storage facility
- Reported to possess 4 fresh water wells, capable of producing over 65 metric tonnes of fresh water per day and fruit trees

Impact on the Pacific

- What will be the impacts on the EEZs of coastal States in the Pacific?
- Will the proscribing of EEZ limits by States such as the Marshall Islands and Kiribati be effective?
- What will be the impact of the threat of prompt release through ITLOS on State behaviour?
Article 73

1. The coastal State may, in the exercise of its sovereign rights to explore, exploit, conserve and manage the living resources in the exclusive economic zone, take such measures, including boarding, inspection, arrest and judicial proceedings, as may be necessary to ensure compliance with the laws and regulations adopted by it in conformity with this Convention.

2. Arrested vessels and their crews shall be promptly released upon the posting of reasonable bond or other security.

3. Coastal State penalties for violations of fisheries laws and regulations in the exclusive economic zone may not include imprisonment, in the absence of agreements to the contrary by the States concerned, or any other form of corporal punishment.

4. In cases of arrest or detention of foreign vessels the coastal State shall promptly notify the flag State, through appropriate channels, of the action taken and of any penalties subsequently imposed.
Article 292(1)

- Where the authorities of a State Party have detained a vessel flying the flag of another State Party and it is alleged that the detaining State has not complied with the provisions of this Convention for the prompt release of the vessel or its crew upon the posting of a reasonable bond or other financial security, the question of release from detention may be submitted to any court or tribunal agreed upon by the parties or, failing such agreement within 10 days from the time of detention, to a court or tribunal accepted by the detaining State under article 287 or to the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea, unless the parties otherwise agree.

Project

- Identify features in the Pacific that may be analogous to the South China Sea Arbitration findings on Article 121 and the generation of an EEZ
- Examine national legislation for responses
- Suggest courses of action to mitigate against a challenge
**Effective Utilization of Research Vessel Transition**

Yoshi KAWAMURA, Miehiyo SHIMAMURA

Japan Agency for Marine-Earth Science and Technology

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**Introduction of JAMSTEC - our missions -**

R&D targets during FY2014 – 2019

- Promotion of integrated ocean drilling science
- The leading-edge fusion information science
- Construction of research base to spawn the ocean frontier

**Introduction of JAMSTEC - our vessels -**

- JAMSTEC has seven fleets.
- Each vessel has different capability.
- We used it for different purposes in accordance to research objectives.

**Introduction of JAMSTEC - underwater vehicles -**

Deep Submergence Vehicle
- AUV
  - URASHIMA
  - YUMEIRUKA

Deep Tow
- JINBEI
- OTOHIME
- KAIKO Mk-IV

**Introduction of JAMSTEC - research cruises -**

Cruise tracks for 15 years (FY2000 – FY2014)
Cruise tracks in FY2014

Introduction of JAMSTEC - DARWIN -

Data Research System for Whole Cruise Information in JAMSTEC

Available at: http://www.godac.jamstec.go.jp/darwin/

You can “Search, Download, Visualizing” data.

- Data since: 1998-
- Ship Cruising & Submersible Diving records
- Observation Data: Bathymetry, Gravity, Magnetic field, Sub Bottom Profile etc...
- Sample Information, Video and Still Image

You can “Search, Download, Visualizing” data.

Date: 2016.Mar.02- 04
Area: FSM off the east coast of Pohnpei Is.

Acquisition Data:
1) Bathymetry, Sub-Bottom Profile
2) Gravity and Magnetic
3) Seawater temperature vertical distribution

FSM: Submission to the Commission on the limits of the Continental Shelf
→ Seeking an additional data.
JAMSTEC R/V: Passing near the target area during transition

Cooperation with Island Countries
Case introduction of the collaborative survey in Federated States of Micronesia -

R/V KAIREI

Bathymetric Survey

Date: 2016.Mar.02- 04
Area: FSM off the east coast of Pohnpei Is.

Acquisition Data: 1) Bathymetry, Sub-Bottom Profile
2) Gravity and Magnetic
3) Seawater temperature vertical distribution

Background

Opportunity

KEY TO FUTURE COLLABORATIONS

- Open Data
  ex: DARWIN
- Effective utilizations of R/V transition → cost down
  ex: bilateral, multinational
- Capacity Building
  ex: marine technicians, engineers, ship crew and ocean scientists

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Thank you for your attention

Appendix: Details of JAMSTEC Vehicles

R/V SHINKAI MARU
R/V KAIREI
R/V HAKUHO MARU
R/V MIRAI
R/V YOKOSUKA
R/V HAKUHO MARU

<General>
- Built: 1989
- Length: 100 m
- Beam: 16 m
- Gross tonnage: 3,991 tons
- Cruising speed: 12.0 knots
- Maximum speed: 16.0 knots
- Crew: 54 persons
- Scientists: 35 persons

<Major equipment>
- Multibeam: SEABEAM 2120, 20 kHz
- Acoustic navigation system
- ADCP, SBP, Quantitative echo sounder, Gravimeter, Magnetometer
- CTD/water sampler, Meteorological equipment, 6 Observation winches

R/V YOKOSUKA

<General>
- Built: 1990
- Length: 105 m
- Beam: 16 m
- Gross tonnage: 4,439 tons
- Cruising speed: 12.0 knots
- Maximum speed: 16.0 knots
- Crew: 27 persons
- Scientists: 15 persons
- DSV Operator, etc.: 18 persons

<Major equipment>
- Multibeam: EM 122, 12 kHz
- Acoustic navigation system
- ADCP, SBP, Gravimeter, Magnetometer
- UQC (Under water telephone)

R/V KAIREI

<General>
- Built: 1997
- Length: 106 m
- Beam: 16 m
- Gross tonnage: 4,517 tons
- Cruising speed: 12.0 knots
- Maximum speed: 16.0 knots
- Crew: 27 persons
- Scientists: 22 persons
- ROV Operator, etc.: 11 persons

<Major equipment>
- Multibeam: SEABEAM 3012, 12 kHz
- Acoustic navigation system
- ADCP, SBP, Gravimeter, Magnetometer
- MCS

R/V MIRAI

<General>
- Built: 1997
- Length: 129 m
- Beam: 19 m
- Gross tonnage: 8,706 tons
- Cruising speed: 12.0 knots
- Maximum speed: 16.0 knots
- Crew: 34 persons
- Scientists: 46 persons

<Major equipment>
- Doppler Radar
- Multibeam: SEABEAM 3012, 12 kHz
- Acoustic navigation system
- ADCP, SBP, Gravimeter, Magnetometer
- CTD/water sampler, Meteorological equipment

R/V SHINSEI MARU

<General>
- Built: 2013
- Length: 66 m
- Beam: 13 m
- Gross tonnage: 1,629 tons
- Cruising speed: 11.0 knots
- Maximum speed: 13.0 knots
- Crew: 26 persons
- Scientists: 15 persons

<Major equipment>
- DPS
- Multibeam: SEABEAM 3020, 20 kHz
- & Seabat 7125 SV2, 200 & 400kHz
- Acoustic navigation system
- Quantitative echo sounder, Gravimeter, Magnetometer,
- CTD/water sampler, 5 Observation winches

R/V KAIMEI

<General>
- Built: 1990
- Length: 105 m
- Beam: 16 m
- Gross tonnage: 4,439 tons
- Cruising speed: 12.0 knots
- Maximum speed: 16.0 knots
- Crew: 27 persons
- Scientists: 15 persons
- DSV Operator, etc.: 18 persons

<Major equipment>
- Multibeam: EM 122, 12 kHz
- Acoustic navigation system
- ADCP, SBP, Gravimeter, Magnetometer
- UQC (Under water telephone)
**D/V CHIKYU Specification**

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**MNS* : (M0)**
- **Accommodation**: Max. 200 persons

**STORAGE CAPACITIES (actual)**
- Fuel oil: 9,066 m³
- Drill water: 2,554 m³
- Potable water: 369 m³
- Active mud: 408 m³
- Reserve mud: 1,445 m³
- Bulk mud: 696 m³
- Bulk cement: 464 m³

**Variable load**: 25,500 tons

**OWNER and BUILDER**
- **Owner**: JAMSTEC
- **Built Year**: 2005
- **Builder**: MHI / MES

**MAIN DIMENSIONS**
- Length overall: 210.0 m
- Breadth overall: 38.0 m
- Depth: 16.2 m
- Operational draft: 9.2 m
- Gross Tonnage: 56,752 tons

**Cruising speed**: 11.45 knots

**Max. operating water depth**: 2,500 m

**Max. drill string length**: 10,000 m

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**3500m class AUV “URASHIMA”**

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**Major equipment**: Side scan sonar, MBES, SBP, CTD-DO

**Payload**: 33 kg (in water), L:900 mm, B:760 mm, H:1100 mm

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**3000m class AUV “JINBEI”**

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**Payload**: CTD, pH, CO2 hybrid sensor, Temperature Turbidity pH sensor

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**3000m class AUV “OTOHIME”**

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**Major equipment**: Manipulator, Omni directional camera, Stereo vision camera, Side scan sonar, CTD, pH, CO2 hybrid sensor

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**3000m class AUV “YUMEIRUKA”**

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**Major equipment**: Interferometry synthetic aperture sonar, SBP, CTD, pH sensor

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**Deep Submergence Vehicle “SHINKAI 6500”**

- **Built**: 1989
- **Length**: 9.5 m
- **Beam**: 2.7 m
- **Height**: 3.2 m
- **Weight (in air)**: 26 tons
- **Pressure hull dia.**: 2.0 m
- **Normal dive duration**: 8 hours
- **Life support**: 129 hours
- **Payload**: 200 kg (in air)

**Hull material**: Titanium Alloy

**Major equipment**: 2 CCD TV cameras, Digital still camera, STDV sensor, Manipulator and Grabber, Observation sonar, Seawater thermometer, Sample basket

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**3500m class AUV “SHINKAI 6500”**

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**3000m class AUV “URASHIMA”**

- **Length**: 10.6 m
- **Beam**: 1.3 m
- **Height**: 1.5 m
- **Weight (in air)**: 7 tons
- **Speed**: Max 4 knots
- **Endurance**: 24 hours

**Major equipment**: Side scan sonar, MBES, SBP, CTD-DO

**Payload**: 33 kg (in water), L:900 mm, B:760 mm, H:1100 mm

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**3000m class AUV “JINBEI”**

- **Length**: 4.0 m
- **Beam**: 1.1 m
- **Height**: 1.0 m
- **Weight (in air)**: 1.7 tons
- **Speed**: Max 2 knots
- **Endurance**: 24 hours

**Major equipment**: CTD, pH, CO2 hybrid sensor, Temperature Turbidity pH sensor

**Payload**: CTD, pH, CO2 hybrid sensor

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**3000m class AUV “OTOHIME”**

- **Length**: 2.5 m
- **Beam**: 2.1 m
- **Height**: 1.4 m
- **Weight (in air)**: 850 kg
- **Speed**: Max 1.5 knots
- **Endurance**: 8 hours

**Major equipment**: Manipulator, Omni directional camera, Stereo vision camera, Side scan sonar, CTD, pH, CO2 hybrid sensor

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**3000m class AUV “YUMEIRUKA”**

- **Length**: 5.0 m
- **Beam**: 1.2 m
- **Height**: 1.2 m
- **Weight (in air)**: 2.7 tons
- **Speed**: Max 3 knots
- **Endurance**: 16 hours

**Major equipment**: Interferometry synthetic aperture sonar, SBP, CTD, pH sensor
7000m class ROV “KAIKO” System

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6000m class “Deep Tow”

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2. Brief history of Ministry of Fisheries & Marine Resources Development and Kiritimati Fisheries Sub-Division:

- Fisheries first operated as part of the Agriculture Unit during British colonial days,
- With the results of UNCLOS just before independence in 1979 the Ministry of Natural Resources Development was formed,
- First became a separate ministry, MFMRD in 2004,
- Fisheries office on Kiritimati Island opened in the late 1970’s operating first at Banana village near to airport,
- Moved to London Town to be near to London port in the early 1990’s when shipping means of transport was then more regular.
Implementing practical fisheries management policies in Kiribati is quite challenging due to many factors but the main problem is the attitude of our people towards enforcing laws.

Framed within the Kiribati Development Plan 2016-2019

Vision: “Towards a better educated, healthier, more prosperous nation with a higher quality of life”

encapsulates the challenges facing a nation that is a Small Island State with low population, 33 atolls and islands, spread over a vast area in the Pacific Ocean and geographically isolated.

3. Kiribati Fisheries Management Policies:

Kiribati have been fortunate in having record fishing license revenues in recent years which has added to the Gross National Income of the nation. To harness these revenues to ensure that the benefits flow throughout the islands of Kiribati.

Ensuring that more value is added through processing of marine products within Kiribati so that high unemployment levels can be drawn back.

Sustainability of the fishing industry is of prime importance.

The biodiversity of our region needs to be safeguarded and the fishing stocks need to be maintained well into the future.

Kiribati Fisheries Management Policy CONT -

Fisheries Act 2010
The Fisheries Act of 2010 is not very elaborative on addressing problems in managing fisheries and the steps to follow when encountering issues.

Fisheries Regulations
These regulations are signed by the Beretitenti (President) in order to assist with fisheries issues.

Municipal government Bylaws on fisheries
These can be more elaborate but have limited powers and the Fisheries Act often overrules it.

4. Directions of MFMRD, Kiritimati Fisheries Sub-Division:

To receive full benefits its marine resources will require the assistance of regional and international agencies and our development partners.

The challenge of MFMRD is to focus on both the economy, the livelihood of Kiritimati, Kiribati not allowing activities that would severely damage the resources and fisheries.

Inevitably there are times when it is impossible to please everyone and it is then strong partnerships and excellence communications will be critical.

Staff turnover,

Data monitoring system not yet well development,

Far away from Fisheries Headquarters, in Tarawa and often being left out.

There is now new government policy of increasing the retiring age to 55 years,

Design more projects relating to data management,

Improve communications (internet) between Tarawa and Kiritimati,

Better monitoring systems and increase more tools to assist in fisheries management to Eastern Kiribati,

Review the Fisheries Act 2010

5. Challengers and Future Directions of Kiritimati Fisheries Sub-Division:

The EEZ is big but very isolated,

Most of the fishing vessels in the EEZ are long liners where observer coverage is still not yet 100%.

Long liners have not yet developed a fully operational VDS register,

The Phoenix area is almost completely banned fishing inside the EEZ,

The only national Patrol boat is based in the Gilberts group,

Not enough National Observers,

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6. Monitoring Control and Surveillance (MCS) in the Eastern Kiribati:

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7. How to Tackle these challenges On MCS:

- Continue to work with sub-regional, regional and international agencies on relevant MCS issues;
- Provide more alternatives for sea and air surveillance to the Line and Phoenix EEZs;
- Provide sources of monitoring inside this EEZ i.e. VMS monitoring in Kiritimati;
- Train more locally based observers.

8. Threats to our coastal fisheries:

- Environmental threats that have emerged have been pollution of the lagoons, solid waste management, depletion of water, pollution of water from salinity and waste products, depletion of inshore fisheries and coastal erosion.
- Corals are dying..., last year 95% of all corals on Kiritimati died due to very hot sea surface temperatures.
- Overfishing of coral reefs which will led to impacts on tourists fly fishing of bonefish.
- Marine life is also under threat from pollution and plastic wastes.
- The spread of invasive species in coastal fisheries and diseases, potentially could have a significant impact on the economy of Kiribati.

9. How to tackle threats to our coastal fisheries:

- Need more projects and local expertise on Environmental issues, Solid waste Management, Water and sanitation, Coastal and Inshore Fisheries,
- Coral reef transplanting programs and aquaculture projects i.e. revitalizing of fisheries Milkfish ponds.
- Assistance with setting up of working Marine Protected Areas,
- Enforcements of Fisheries Regulations,
- Trainings and more projects on marine invasive species and agricultural pests and diseases

10. Conclusion

- Government should develop more projects and trainings on Control Monitoring and Surveillance in the Eastern Kiribati;
- Government to provide and train more local people with regards to the different entities i.e. Environment, Agriculture and Fisheries on related areas which needs more strengthening.
- The involvement of MFMRD staff and through consultation with the wider community in developing Plans that which involves a clear sense of ownership and commitment to the objectives, outputs and actions.
- The MFMRD in partnership with line Ministries, national, regional and international agencies and NGOs are now ready to implementing the outcome of this meeting in future and prepared to play their part in managing and developing Kiribati’s fisheries and marine resources.

Thank you for your time
Policy Proposal on “Conservation and Management of Islands and Their Surrounding Ocean Areas”

(Excerpts of “b. Implementation of Practical Fisheries Management Policies”)

b-1. It is recommended that Island States strengthen conservation and management of small scale fisheries in coastal areas and of fishery resources in their EEZs.

b-2. It is recommended that island States and their distant water fishing State partners should strengthen monitoring, control and surveillance (MCS) at the national and regional levels to better combat illegal, unreported and unregulated (IUU) fishing.

b-3. The international community should promote sustainable fisheries through regional fishery management organizations, including activities that remove excessive fishing capacity, address IUU fishing problems, prevent overexploitation of fishery resources, and implement an ecosystem based approach to fisheries management.

b-4. The international community should increase its support for the strengthening of fishery management systems in the Pacific islands, including capacity building and institutional strengthening at the local, national and regional levels.

Today’s Presentation

1. Fisheries in Coastal Areas
2. Elimination of IUU Fishing
3. Conservation & Management through WCPFC

1. Fisheries in Coastal Areas
(1) Changes in Japan’s Fishery & Aquaculture Production
(2) Fisheries Re-vitalization Plan in Japan (浜の活性再生成プラン)

- A specific plan for each local fishing-village area will be developed by each local fishers' group itself, which clarifies what the future fisheries should be for the area and what should be done for the future.
- The groups/areas with such plans will be given priority to receive Governmental assistance.
- Over 570 plans have been developed around Japan.
- Wide range plans have also been developed (over 70), which involve several fishing-village areas.

(3) Protection and Restoration of Seagrass/Seaweed Beds and Tidal Flats

- Seagrass and seaweed beds are called "woods of the sea" and have many types. They grow mainly in coastal areas, providing nurseries and spawning areas for a variety of marine species.
- Tidal flats are places for recreation, rest, and relax as well as nursery and spawning areas for fishes, shellfishes, crustaceans, and rare species. Also, many migratory birds fly above for rest and feeding.

In order to protect such seagrass and seaweed beds and tidal flats of coastal area, fishers themselves have been conducting various activities.

- Protection of juveniles of kelp from grass-eating sea urchins
- Restoration of seagrass and seaweed beds by artificially rising juveniles
- Protection from grass-eating creatures for restoration of seagrass and seaweed beds
- Disappearance of seagrass and seaweed beds due to grass-eating sea urchins: Installed fences border area of the seagrass bed after installing fences
- Plowing soil of tidal flats: Plowing by a tractor
- Removal of sea lettuce: Tidal flats covered over with sea lettuces

Area of seagrass and seaweed beds in Japan
Area of tidal flats in Japan

Pictures provided by JF-Zengyoren (Japan Fisheries Cooperative)

(4) Promotion of Fisheries in Coastal Areas (Japan’s Assistance)

- Example 1: The Project for Promotion of the Grace of the Sea in Coastal Villages (Vanuatu)
- Example 2: The Project for the Renovation and Extension of Apia Fisheries Wharf and Related Facilities (Samoa)
- Example 3: The Project for Construction of Fish Market Center at Majuro (The Marshall Islands)
- Example 4: The Project for Construction of Wewak Market and Jetty (PNG)

Source: JICA HP
2. Elimination of IUU Fishing

(1) Case -1: Patrol(1)
- Since 2014, patrol vessels of Fisheries Agency of Japan (FAJ) have been dispatched to waters around Palau, including its EEZ, as one of cooperation between Palau and Japan on fisheries management.
- OFCF supported patrol activities of Palauan Government within its EEZ, by providing a part of fuel cost of patrol vessels, in 2015 and 2016.

(2) Case -2: Patrol(2)
- IUU purse seine vessel with no name, no call sign or nationality, found within EEZ of Palau
- Source: Fisheries Agency of Japan

(3) Case -3: Trade Measures
- Trade Measures have been developed or under consideration in the framework of Regional Fisheries Management Organisations (RFMOs) or unilaterally:
  - RFMOs’ Catch Documentation Scheme (CDS) under Operation
    - International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas (ICCAT):
      - Western and eastern stocks of Atlantic bluefin tuna
    - Commission for the Conservation of Southern Bluefin Tuna (CCSBT):
      - Southern bluefin tuna
    - Convention for the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources (CCAMLR):
      - Patagonian and Antarctic toothfish (2 species)
  - Unilateral Measures
    - EU IUU Regulation and the “Catch Certification Scheme” (under operation)
    - US “Catch Documentation and Traceability” system (being considered)

(3) Case -3: Trade Measures (continues)
Trade Measures to Combat IUU Fishing:
Comparative Analysis of Unilateral and Multilateral Approaches
Gilles Hosch
Independent Fisheries Expert
October 2016
Published by International Centre for Trade and Sustainable Development (ICTSD)
International Environment House 2 7 Chemin de Balexert, 1219 Geneva, Switzerland
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- Unilateral CDS are inherently difficult to enforce since fisheries products may circulate through much of the region, without being covered by certificates. Most importantly, multilateral systems cover and protect entire fish stocks, while unilateral systems only partially cover many stocks. The potential for direct positive impact of multilateral systems on the sustainable management of individual stocks is therefore greater.
- RFMOs should be supported and strengthened so that they can continue to deliver and expand multilateral solutions to the problems of IUU fishing in the Western and Central Pacific region. Esentially, at risk of their potential for directly impacting IUU fishing and the sustainable management of individual fish stocks, they may have limited overall impact on IUU fishing and the sustainable management of individual fish stocks.

3. Conservation & Management through WCPFC

The WCPFC Convention seeks to address problems that the management of highly migratory fish stocks faces, including: unregulated fishing, over-capitalisation, excessive fleet capacity, vessel re-flagging to escape controls, insufficiently selective and unreliable databases and insufficient multilateral conservation and management of highly migratory fish stocks.

IN THE WESTERN AND CENTRAL PACIFIC OCEAN

(CONVENTION ON THE CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT OF HIGHLY MIGRATORY FISH STOCKS IN THE WESTERN AND CENTRAL PACIFIC OCEAN (WCPFC))

Acknowledging that compatible, effective and binding conservation and management measures can be achieved only through cooperation between coastal States and States fishing in the region.

Article 10 Functions of the Commission

1. Without prejudice to the sovereign rights of coastal States for the purpose of exploring and exploiting, conserving and managing highly migratory fish stocks within areas under national jurisdiction and measures for the same stocks on the high seas are compatible;
2. The Commission shall give full recognition to the special requirements of developing States Parties, and territories and possessions, in relation to conservation and management of highly migratory fish stocks, the Commission shall take into account the special requirements of developing States Parties, particularly small island developing States Parties, as well as of territories and possessions, in particular:
   (a) the vulnerability of developing States Parties, particularly small island developing States Parties, which are dependent on the exploitation of marine living resources, including for meeting the nutritional requirements of their populations or parts thereof;
   (b) the need to avoid adverse impacts on, and ensure access to fisheries by, substantial small-scale and artisanal fishers and fishworkers, as well as indigenous people in developing States Parties, particularly small island developing States Parties, territories and possessions; and
   (c) the need to ensure that such measures do not result in transferring, directly or indirectly, a disproportionate burden of conservation action onto developing States Parties, and territories and possessions.

Article 12 Functions of the Scientific Committee

1. The Scientific Committee is established to ensure that the Commission obtains for its consideration the best scientific information available.
2. The functions of the Committee shall be to:
   (a) recommend to the Commission a research plan, including specific issues and items to be addressed by the scientific experts or by other organizations or individuals, as appropriate, and identify data needs and coordinate activities that meet those needs;
   (b) review the assessments, analyses, other work and recommendations prepared for the Commission by the scientific experts prior to consideration of such recommendations by the Commission and provide information, advice and comments thereon, as necessary;
   (c) encourage and promote cooperation in scientific research, taking into account the provisions of article 346 of the 1982 Convention, in order to improve information on highly migratory fish stocks, non-target species, and species belonging to the same ecosystem or associated with or dependent upon such stocks in the Convention Area;
   (d) determine the total allowable catch or total level of fishing effort within the Convention Area for such highly migratory fish stocks as the Commission may decide and adopt such other conservation and management measures and recommendations as may be necessary to ensure the long-term sustainability of such stocks;
   (e) determine cooperation and coordination between members of the Convention to ensure that conservation and management measures for highly migratory fish stocks in areas under national jurisdiction and measures for the same stocks on the high seas are compatible;

Article 30 Recognition of the special requirements of developing States

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Draft workplan for CDS-IWG 2015/16

Adoption of CMM Dec 2017 (WCPFC13)

Review draft CMM Sept 2017 (CDS-IWG, TCC12)

Development of draft CMM Jan-July 2017

Adoption of Revised draft Standards Dec 2016 (WCPFC-13)

CDS Standards development

CMM development

CATCH DOCUMENTATION SCHEME INTERSESSIONAL WORKING GROUP (CDS-IWG)

(Two meetings have been held to date.)

Source: Attachment C, WCPFC TCC-2015-21
Article 30 Recognition of the special requirements of developing States (continues)

3. The Commission shall establish a fund to facilitate the effective participation of developing States Parties, particularly small island developing States, and, where appropriate, territories and possessions, in the work of the Commission, including its meetings and those of its subsidiary bodies. The financial regulations of the Commission shall include guidelines for the administration of the fund and criteria for eligibility for assistance.

4. Cooperation with developing States, and territories and possessions, for the purposes set out in this article may include the provision of financial assistance, assistance relating to human resources development, technical assistance, transfer of technology, including through joint venture arrangements, and advisory and consultative services. Such assistance shall, inter alia, be directed towards:

(a) improved conservation and management of highly migratory fish stocks through collection, reporting, verification, exchange and analysis of fisheries data and related information;
(b) stock assessment and scientific research; and
(c) monitoring, control, surveillance, compliance and enforcement, including training and capacity building at the local level, development and funding of national and regional observer programmes and access to technology and equipment.

WCPFC Members 26 nations/entities

- 16 nations: FFA members (Australia, NZ, Island nations (including 8 PNA members))
- 8 nations/entities: Fishing nations (Japan, ROK, China, Taiwan, USA, EU, Indonesia, Philippines)
- 2 nations: France, Canada

Various Groups of Interest

- High seas fishing nations vs. Coastal states
- Purse seine fishing vs. Longline fishing
- Developing nations vs. Others
- Tropical nations vs. Marginal nations

WCPFC Decision Making Mechanism
(Article 20 of the Convention)

- As a general rule: Consensus
- When consensus is not possible: Votin
- Questions of procedure: Majority
- Questions of substance: ¾ of FFA members & ¾ of non-FFA members

Conflicts & Cooperation

- Bigeye tuna Management
- FADs restriction
- Management framework: VDS
- Stock Assessment of Skipjack
Marine Stewardship Council

Fisheries in the Pacific Island Countries and MSC certification

Makoto Suzuki – MSC Japan

Today’s topic

1. What is the MSC?
2. MSC Fisheries Certification – assessment and improvement -
3. PNA fishery and improvement

Vision Mission

MSC Vision: Of the world’s oceans teeming with life, and seafood supplies safeguarded for this and future generations.

MSC Mission: To use our ecolabel and fishery certification programme to - contribute to the health of the world’s oceans by recognising and rewarding sustainable fishing practices, - influencing the choices people make when buying seafood, - working with our partners to transform the seafood market to a sustainable basis.

How the program works

- Fisheries apply for certification on a voluntary basis;
- Assessed against the MSC Standard by 3rd party independent certifiers;
- Fish from successfully certified fisheries can then be marketed with MSC ecolabel;
- MSC and its partners encourage businesses and consumers to choose MSC labelled products;
- Leads to commercial advantages for certified fishers; and
- Creates incentives for other fishers.

Fishery Participation

- 391 fisheries in program = 10 million metric tonnes
- 315 certified
- 76 under assessment

12% of wild caught seafood globally is now certified or in full assessment
20,492 MSC products in the world

Progress to date on the Demand Side

- Major global buyers have made strong commitments to source their wild-capture fish from MSC-certified fisheries
- Global market for MSC products over $3 billion annually
- Growing interest from food service sector

Commercial Support

Who is Involved?

What is the Fishery Assessment Process?
The MSC Standard – Three Core Principles

1: Health of the target fish stock
2: Impact of the fishery on the environment
3: Effective management to ensure future sustainability

Scoring Guideposts in Assessment Tree

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Each PI has three scoring guideposts (SGs) — 60, 80, and 100 — these are the benchmark levels of performance.

Scoring PIs and Principles

Performance Indicators (PIs):
- Each PI must score ≥60, or the fishery fails.
- Any PI that scores ≥60 but <80 is given a condition.
- Any PI that scores ≥80 gets an unconditional pass.
- PIs are normally scored to the nearest five units (60, 65, 70, etc.).

Principles:
- Each Principle must score ≥80 as the weighted average across the PIs within that Principle, or the fishery fails.
- Principle scores are given to the nearest 0.1 units (e.g., 83.2).
Assessment Tree Scoring Example

Principle 1 – Stock

- Stock Status
- Harvest Strategy
- Rebuilding Strategy

Principle 2 – Environment

- Primary Species
- Ecosystem Information

- Secondary Species
- Habitats

Principle 3 – Fishery Management

- Fishery Specific Mgmt. System
- Governance and Policy
- Long-term Objectives

MSC and improvement

- Better data for population dynamics (Normandy and Jersey)
- New measures to reduce bycatch and discards of non-target fish (Scotland)
- Reduced number of seabirds mortality (southern Indian Ocean)

Conditions and the MSC Theory of Change

100 score: State of the Art

80 score: "Best Practice"

60 score: Min acceptable

Failing "Conditions" that require improvements

Scoring for each Performance Indicator

Marine Stewardship Council

PNA fisheries and improvement

The Parties to the Nauru Agreement (PNA)

PNA – 8 island nations in an area 40% bigger than the EU
PNA skipjack – Initial certification (2011)

|---------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------|

- **Stock Status**
  - Harvest Strategy
  - Reference Species
  - Stock Rebuilding
  - Stock Distribution

- **Environment**
  - Retained Species
  - Ecosystem Information
  - Mgmt.
  - Outcome

- **Fishery Management**
  - Compliance and Enforcement
  - Decision-Making Processes
  - Research Plan

- **Outcome**
  - Incentives for Sustainable Fishing
  - Long-Term Objectives
  - Consultation, Roles, and Responsibilities
  - Legal/Customary Framework

**Conditions**

1. Target and limit reference points are implemented
2. Well defined harvest control rules shall be in place
3. Strategy for managing bycatch
4. Protection of whale shark
5. Short and long term specific objective of the fisheries
6. Develop effective decision-making process

PNA certification conditions & improvements

- Whale shark sets identified as an issue during pre-assessment which led to a ban on these sets by PNA through Implementing Arrangement. Followed by WCPFC CMM.
- Setting of Target and Limit RPs used within in PNA management.
- Vessel Day Scheme within PNA EEZ
- Increased transparency of the decision making processes
- Requirement to have 100% observer coverage on all PS vessels fishing in PNA EEZ
- TRP adopted in 2015 at 0.5 SB/F=0 for WCPFC area
Remaining condition: P1.2.2 - There are well defined and effective harvest control rules in place.

- In 2016 the PNA Office has requested SPC to develop two options
- These were presented at the 35th Annual PNA Meeting held in Kiribati in April
- Further development, testing and evaluation being done by SPC was presented by the PNA at the SC meeting in 2016
- Skipjack HCR CMM to be presented at the Annual Tuna Commission meeting in December 2016

Actions to conserve overfished bigeye tuna in the Western and Central Pacific Ocean

- Including closures of high seas pockets,
- seasonal bans on use of Fish Aggregating Devices (FAD),
- satellite tracking of boats,
- in port transshipment,
- 100 percent observer coverage of purse seiners,
- closed areas for conservation,
- mesh size regulations,
- tuna catch retention requirements,
- hard limits on fishing effort,
- prohibitions against targeting whale sharks,
- shark action plans
MSC fisheries in the Pacific Ocean

- New Zealand albacore tuna (2011)
- PNA skipjack and albacore tuna (2011)
- Fiji albacore tuna (2012)
- Solomon Islands skipjack and yellowfin tuna (2013)
- Cook Islands albacore tuna (2015)
- Australia albacore and yellowfin tuna (2015)
- Tri Marine skipjack and yellowfin tuna (2016)
- Japan skipjack and albacore tuna (2016)

Japanese fisheries and MSC

- Kyoto flathead flounder (2008)
- Hokkaido scallop (2013)
- Japanese pole & line skipjack & albacore tuna (Oct 2016)

Thank you very much!
Current situation in Sustainable Sea Transportation in the Pacific Island Countries

The Transport/Climate Change Nexus: Pacific Leaders consistently identify two critical barriers to sustainable development

1. Climate Change – “no more than 1.5°C”
2. Extreme regional imported fossil fuel dependency

Transport is critically linked to both

Frequency of Shipping (uneconomical routes)

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If it is not scheduled, how do you know when the ferry is coming?

Current Situation of Sustainable Sea Transportation: Perspectives of Pacific Island Countries

- Climate Change
- National Economy
- Sustainable Livelihoods and Sustainable Development

- Concentration of population in urban centres and declining population in the remote islands
- Cost of transportation make remote island products unreasonably high
- Holistic approach with economic sustainability and job creation in mind

Efficiency Methods
- Alternative fuels: LNG, Hydrogen, Methane, Bio-fuel...
- Operation: Port efficiencies, Bulk fuel purchase...
- Technology: Hull design, Propeller upgrades...
- Renewable Energy: Wind, Solar, Wave, Bio-fuel/gas...

The scheduled time of departure for my trip was delayed by one day due to inclement weather. The shipping company is responsible for informing all passengers, but the system in place is still very rudimentary.

Taylor Searcy, 2015/05/14
USP's Sustainable Sea Transport Research Programme

- USP is owned by 12 PICs
- Sustainable sea transport research since 2012
- Pacific islands region is the most dependent region in the world on imported fossil fuels – transport biggest user
- Sea transport is the lifeline to PICs and communities

Red stars show location of the University of the South Pacific member countries – there are campuses in each country

Brief summary of key outputs:
- Sustainable Sea Transportation Conferences in 2012 and 2014.
- Development of a Regional Research and Education Strategy for the Pacific to transition to low carbon sea transport.
- Postgraduate (MSc and PhD) research programme
- Development and delivery of undergraduate courses (levels 2 and 3) in sea transport and shipping.
- Establishment and hosting of the Oceania Centre for Sustainable Transport (OCST) webpage with IUCN.
- Republic of the Marshall Islands and USP are now establishing the Micronesian Center for Sustainable Transport at USP RMI campus.
- Development of online Toolkit for SIDS to transition to low carbon sea transport for UNCTAD.
- Numerous presentations to various fora around the world (including Switzerland, Holland, Germany, L'Ambassade, Australia as well as across the Pacific) and regular publications in leading academic journals and industry publications (e.g. IRENA technology brief).

Research proposal in South Lomaiviti (Gau, Batiki and Nairai islands)

✓ Sustainable Sea Transport and its Socio-economic implications

1. Builds on past projects
2. Focus on effect of sustainable sea transport on livelihoods and island economies
3. Survey of current sea transport use:
   • Basic human needs (education, food, health)
   • Economic activities (sending fish, crops and other products to Suva; bringing fuel and other products to the islands; tourists)
4. Survey on "balance and preference" on costs, time, frequency, comfort, safety, etc.

Hypothesis: Low cost/low fuel use vessels will provide more benefit to islanders than current high cost/high fuel use vessels

Feasibility study: hire of hybrid wind-powered vessel to sail between Southern Lomaiviti islands and Suva for 1 year to prove the hypothesis
Thank You for your Attention
Deep Seabed Mineral Activities in the Pacific Islands Region

National Jurisdictions of PICTs

- A total area of 27.8 million km² of EEZ
- About 531,000 km² (a ratio of 52:1)
- An additional 2.0 million km²

Deep Seabed Minerals Potential

- Seafloor Massive Sulphides:
  - PNG
  - Tonga
  - Solomon Islands
  - Vanuatu
  - Fiji
- Manganese Nodules:
  - Republic of the Marshall Islands
  - Federated States of Micronesia
  - Kiribati
- Cobalt-rich Crusts:
  - Republic of the Marshall Islands
  - Federated States of Micronesia
  - Kiribati

Drivers of Marine Minerals Development

- Increasing global demand for metals;
- High metal prices;
- Decreasing metal concentration in terrestrial mineral deposits;
- High concentration of certain metals in offshore mineral deposits;
- Significant improvement in marine mining technologies;
- Increasing demand for non-traditional metals such as REE.

Economic Issues

- SMS deposits are higher in mineral content than on-land deposits.
- Typical value of a tonne of SMS ore: US$500-1500.
- One full mining operation could produce export revenues of up to US$500m pa and taxes & royalty of up to US$50m pa.
Exploration Interest in “the Area”

- Nauru – Nauru Ocean Resources Inc
- Tonga – Tonga Offshore Mining Ltd
- Kiribati – Marawa Research and Exploration Ltd
- Cook Islands – Cook Islands Investment Corporation
- Fiji and Tuvalu

Recent DSM Activities

- Exploration licenses issued in PNG, Tonga, Solomon Islands, Fiji and Vanuatu.
- KIOST will be undertaking DSM exploration in Fiji in late 2016.
- Mining License granted by PNG to Nautilus Minerals in 2011.
- Mining Technology: construction expected to be completed by end of 2017.
- Mining scheduled to commence at the Solwara 1 site in 2018.

Update on the Solwara 1 Project PNG

- Company restructuring plan:
  - completing the construction of the mining equipment,
  - reducing company staff number, and
  - bridge financing of USD 20 million secured allowing the company to attract additional financing and joint ventures
- project schedule delayed and mining forecasted to commence in 2019, depending on availability of funds.

Potential Impacts from DSM Mining

Deep Sea Mining: Some Knowns Many Unknowns

Key to understanding the potential of deep sea mining is:

- Understanding the extent and quality of mineral resources.
- Identifying the values of the minerals given varying prices and the technology available.
- Determining the social and environmental impacts.
- Understanding how possible returns could be shared among stakeholders.

More information is needed before speculating on the cost structure and profitability of deep sea mining at this stage.

Learning should be expected across both operational efficiencies and regulatory compliance monitoring.

Full appraisal of net economic benefits must incorporate environmental and social risks

SPC-EU Deep Sea Minerals Project

Objective: to strengthen the system of governance and capacity of Pacific ACP States in the management of DSM through:

(i) development and implementation of sound and regionally integrated legal frameworks;
(ii) improved human and technical capacity, and
(iii) effective environmental monitoring systems.
### DSM Policy and Legislation in PICs

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### Cost-Benefit Analysis of Deep Seabed Mining

- A CBA of Deep Sea Mining in the Pacific conducted in 2015.
- Results indicate that DSM mining has the potential to make the people of PNG & CI better off.
- In contrast, given current technology and commodity prices, the mining of Cobalt rich crusts is unlikely to improve the well-being of RMI’s residents.

### Development of Regional DSM Frameworks

4 Regional DSM Frameworks developed:

1. Regional Legislative and Regulatory Framework;
2. Regional Financial Framework;
3. Regional Environmental Management Framework;
4. Regional Scientific Research Guidelines.

### Assistance provided by SPC

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### Project Partners

- Our donor partner – the European Union
- UNEP/GRID-Arendal
- Pacific Finance Technical Assistance Centre
- National Institute of Water and Atmospheric Research, NZ
- US Geological Survey
Seabed Resource Development Reconciling with Marine Environment

1. Ocean floors may have rich undeveloped resources.
   Biodiversity in the deep sea
2. Environmental Impact of seabed resource exploration
3. Marine Environmental Impact Assessment
4. Next-Generation Technology for Ocean Resources Exploration
5. UN seeks Internationally Legal Binding Instruments for BBNJ
6. We seek a standard defined by ISO.

Thanks to Prof. Shirayama and members of OPRI & 海のジパング

Ocean floor = Treasure house of undeveloped resources?
Black smokers, Cobalt crusts and Manganese nodules
EEZs of SIDS may have rich resources.

EEZs and rich manganese nodules areas

Biodiversity near hydrothermal vents
Crabs, mussels, and tubeworms are found in hydrothermal vent environments on the seafloor.

Possible environmental risk by hydrothermal vent exploration (by Prof. Shirayama)

- Japan needs to draw up a legal framework to the international community. This system should provide a new model for comprehensive governance of the oceans.
- Accordingly, this project will aim to expand and improve the existing system and propose a method for turning the marine environment observing and monitoring techniques developed by Japan.
UN seek International Legally Bind Instrument (ILBI)

- Currently, the UN is considering drawing up a new system for managing the ABNJ, which would include the Area and high seas, focusing on marine genetic resources, area-based management tools including MPAs, EIAs, and capacity-building and the transfer of marine technology.
- Regarding ABNJ, Japan urgently needs to develop a type of ocean governance structure in harmony with environmental protection.

MPA = Marine Protected Area
EIA = Environmental Impact Assessment
ABNJ = Areas Beyond National Jurisdiction

Nautilus Increases Mineral Resources in Papua New Guinea, but…

- The Solwara 1 Field was first identified by Australia’s Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO) in 1996, while Solwara 4 was discovered in 1991. Extensive research campaigns between 1993 and 1997 formed the baseline knowledge for what would become more intensive commercial development activities. Solwara, means “salt water” in Tok Pisin. Since 2006, Nautilus has used the term ‘Solwara’ to describe its PNG exploration projects and prospects during its reconnaissance and drilling campaigns.
- Nautilus was granted its first Mining Lease in January 2011 for Solwara 1, and the Environmental Permit for Solwara 1 was awarded in December 2009. The Solwara 1 deposit, which sits on the seafloor at a water depth of some 1600 metres, contains a copper grade of approximately 7%. That compares with land-based copper mines, where the copper grade today averages 0.6%. In addition, gold grades of well over 20 g/tonne have been recorded in some intercepts at Solwara 1 and the average grade is approximately 6 g/tonne.
- “The actual impact of any SMS (Seafloor Massive Sulfide) mining operations on the environment has yet to be determined”. (May 17, 2016 - Papua New Guinea Mine Watch)

http://www.nautilusminerals.com/irm/content/png.aspx?RID=258

ISA Code for mineral exploitation

a) management of the resources with conservation & no unnecessary waste;
b) to allocate rights to exploit resources in the Area
c) to facilitate the adoption and development of risk assessment and management and others to measure, monitor and mitigate environmental and occupational health and safety...
d) to promote a robust, stable, predictable and cost-effective regulatory mechanism;
e) to develop the resources of the Area with reasonable regard to the rights and legitimate interests of other users of the marine environment;
f) to prevent, reduce and control pollution and other hazards to the marine environment,
g) to promote the safety of life and property at sea;


1. Conduct scientific research related to the origins of oceanic phenomena – Collect and analyze ocean resource samples to explain the origins of ocean floor minerals and ore deposits; narrow down potential regions with likely stores of resources, and ecology.
2. Develop efficient ocean resource survey technologies to make a several-fold leap ahead in seabed mineral and other information collection efficiency.
3. Develop methods to forecast ecological changes based on the impact of ocean resource development


YNU-DEEPS “Deep-sea resource Exploration and Environment Protection Study”

- We will formulate a global standard for marine EIAs, assuming the standardization by ISO, and examine the applicability of existing legislation related to sustainable resource exploration and exploitation while taking deep-sea biodiversity into consideration. We will also propose an EIAs that can serve as a model for the global standard.
17 principles for the environmental management on marine activities (1)

1. Adopt the idea of Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) at the stage of the project planning
2. Involve various stakeholders’ opinions at the stage of “scoping”
3. Include Social Impact Assessment (SIA) implementation in SEA
4. Possibility to adopt Environmental Assessment (EA) based on the project size and/or content
5. Environment monitoring and adaptive management during and after the EIA procedure, taking into the account of uncertainty
6. The Judgment project permission and/or EIA are based on various points of view, not only scientific aspect but also social acceptability among stakeholders
7. EIA before starting until after ending of the project
8. Include EIA assuming accidental conditions

17 principles for the environmental management on marine activities (2)

9. Consider Transfer EIA (TEIA)
10. Adopt the Ecosystem approach
11. Adopt the Precautionary approach
12. Seek the best environmental practices
13. Emphasize the environmental baseline data in the EIA
14. Consider the Evidence-based EIA
15. Consider climate change mitigation and/or adaption
16. Return some part of profits to the activities for biodiversity conservation
17. Monitoring marine illicit activities such as IUU (Illegal, Unreported & Unregulated)

Article 136 of the UNCLOS...

- states "The Area [Ocean Floor and its subsoil in ABNJ] and its resources are the CHM". This provision states the principle of the Global Commons, and means that various stakeholders should strive toward the wise use and sustainable development of the Area and its resources, under the premise of the true Global Commons.

ABNJ = Areas Beyond National Jurisdiction
CHM = Common Heritage of Mankind

How to avoid the Tragedy of the Commons

1. To be divided into private property or EEZ of nations.
2. Forcing global policy (international legally binding instrument)
3. Co-management, Bottom-up approach in global commons*
   - CBD Aichi Biodiversity Target and UNFCCC Paris Agreement
4. Incentive by Carbon Credit in climate change, and Cap and Trade (ITQ) in fisheries management

*Global commons = resource domains or areas that lie outside of the political reach of any one nation State. (def. by UNEP)
ITQ = Individual Transferrable quota in fisheries
**PURSE SEINE FISHING VERSUS NATIONAL MARINE PARK**

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**MOST FISH IN NORTHERN ISLANDS, EXCLUDED FROM MARINE PARK**

- Prime Minister Puna took care to include the traditional leaders as custodians of natural resources.
- As can be seen by the two maps shown together, the Cook Islands Marine Park boundaries are in the southern Cook Islands.
- Most tuna are equatorial, found in the northern Cook Islands, which are excluded from the Cook Islands Marine Park.
- Fishermen in those northern Cook Islands are reporting significantly lower catches than normal. This is a serious threat to their food security, because there are not stores where they can go to buy other food to eat.

**PURSE SEINE METHOD**

- As the previous picture shows, anything in the way of the purse seine net when it is drawn is caught, not just the species that is being targeted. The unwanted species are killed and are discarded as “by-catch”.
- This method kills the breeding fish which would normally provide the next generation. Last week, EU representatives would not quantify the volume of discarded by-catch but thought it might be about 3%.
- For the past three years there have been public demonstrations against signing agreements for purse seining.
- A petition of 3,000 signatures (50% of the voting population) was delivered to Parliament, but ignored. There have also been several public protests.
EU PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT FOR PURSE SEINE FISHING

- In January 2013, the public were advised that the Cook Islands Government had signed purse-seine fishing agreements with the EU, South Korea and the U.S.
- During 2014 a record NZD$14 million was received for fish exports, mainly caught using purse-seine fishing.
- In 2015, a petition objecting to purse-seine fishing as an unsustainable fishing practice was signed by 3,000 Cook Islanders, about 50% of registered voters.
- Last week, Cook Islands traditional leaders publicly objected to purse-seine fishing in a traditional challenge before a public meeting on the EU Partnership Agreement on purse-seine fishing. They were not permitted to speak against it at the public meeting but were offered a private meeting with the EU representatives.

INCONSISTENT STANCE OF COOK ISLANDS GOVERNMENT WITH REGARD TO TRADITIONAL LEADERS

- With regard to the Cook Islands Marine Park, the stance of the Cook Islands Government is inclusion of traditional leaders and recognition of their role in stewardship of natural resources.
- With regard to the purse-seine fishing issue, the stance of the Cook Islands Government is the reverse, despite considerable public protest about unsustainable fishing and what it means for the future.

TRADITIONAL LEADERS OR “ARONGA MANA” ARE PURSUING COURT ACTION AGAINST THE COOK ISLANDS GOVERNMENT

- Using a clause in the Cook Islands Constitution that states the opinion of traditional leaders should be taken account of, traditional leaders are asserting that they are experts in marine protected areas.
- On that basis have asked for a judicial review with the intention of overturning the EU Partnership Agreement for purse-seine fishing on the grounds of insufficient consultation with local experts.
Session 3:

Response to Climate Change and Variability
JICA and Climate Change in SIDs
JICA's Approach to Climate Change in the Pacific

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Approx. 540 million USD (as of 12 Aug, 2016)

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1. PALM7 and Climate Change
PALM7 “Addressing together climate change and environment problems”

- Strengthening capacity to address climate change intensively in 14 PICs
  Green Climate Fund (GCF): out of pledged 10.2 billion USD, aims to allocate a quarter (1/4) to vulnerable PICs.
- Comprehensive assistance in the area of climate change in cooperation with SPREP

2. with SPREP
PALM7 “Comprehensive assistance in the area of Climate Change in cooperation with SPREP”
Establishment of Pacific Climate Change Centre (PCCC) at SPREP
2. with SPREP - JICA’s approach

"To overcome vulnerability of PICs and communities through capacity building of policy makers of the Government of PICs"

Climate Change Advisor
- Formulation of JICA assistance
- Advice on PCCC Design
- Support formulation of Regional Climate Change Strategy
- Technical Support to access to GCF

Technological Cooperation Project for Capacity Building on Climate Resilience in the Pacific
- Under consideration

Pacific Climate Change Centre (PCCC)
- Regional Hub for Climate Change
- Environmentally Friendly Facilities
- Provision of Unique Japanese Equipment

2. with SPREP - in collaboration with...

"To overcome vulnerability of PICs and communities through capacity building of policy makers of the Government of PICs"

- Partners
  - ADB
  - EU
  - Australia
  - NZ
- International Organizations
  - WB
  - GEF
  - UNFCCC
  - UNDP
  - UNEP
- CROPs
- NGOs
  - WWF
  - IUCN
  - FIELD

3. other CC related JICA projects

Hybrid Island Program (in many of PICs)
- Smart Energy Integration for Resilient Islands
- Technical Cooperation to be started in 5 PICs

T/C Gravel Beach Nourishment Pilot Project (Tuvalu)
- Use of local resources and environmentally friendly approach
- Community ownership to maintain and sustain newly nourished beach

T/C Reinforcing Meteorological Training Function of FMS
- To strengthen the training capabilities of Fiji Meteorological Service
- To develop capacity in participating countries through group training course, in-country training, and OJT

- The 4-year T/C project was launched in December 2014
- Japanese government/JICA supporting FMS, also a Regional Specialised Meteorological Centre (RSMC), since 1996 through grant aid (new facilities and equipment), third-country training for the PICs, etc.
3. other CC related JICA projects

T/C Sustainable Management of Coral Reef and Island Ecosystems: Responding to the Threat of Climate Change (Palau / SATREPS)

2000: Japanese Grant Aid
Palau International Coral Reef Center established

2000-2012: JICA Technical Cooperation
- Institutional and Human resources Development
- Monitoring Scheme for Marine Protected Areas Network

2013-2018: JICA-JST Science and technology cooperation "Sustainable Management of Coral Reef and Island Ecosystems: Responding to the Threat of Climate Change"
- Partnership with University the Ryukyus (Okinawa)
- Protection and management of coral reef in Micronesia region
- Policy proposals on adaptive reef management, based on responses studies against multiple stresses

Thank you
SPREP’s Response to Climate Change and Variability

Islands and Oceans Net 2nd General Meeting
7 December, 2016
The Sasakawa Peace Foundation
Tokyo, Japan

SPREP’s Climate Change Activities

- Regional mandate on climate change from the Pacific Island Leaders
- Supporting the region on issues related to
  - Adaptation – National adaptation planning, adaptation projects
  - Mitigation – SIDS Dock, access to renewable energy
  - Policy and Science – UNFCCC obligations, DRR, knowledge management
  - Access to Climate Finance – Accredited as a Regional Implementing Entity for the Green Climate Fund and Adaptation Fund, assisting countries with project design and execution
  - Design and promotion of ecosystem based adaption measures and integrated coastal management

SPREP’s Climate Change Activities

- Framework for Resilient Development in the Pacific
  - Regional integrated framework to address climate change and disaster risk management
- Pacific Climate Change Centre
  - Being designed with support from JICA and the Government of Samoa, construction to begin in 2017
  - A regional hub for inclusive collaboration and coordination to meet the adaptation and mitigation priorities for the Pacific

Climate Change and Ocean Priorities

- Ocean Acidification (and warming oceans)
- Sea Level Rise
- Increasing Storm Severity
- Invasive Species

Global Carbon Budget 2010; Updated from Le Quéré et al. 2009, Nature Geoscience; Canadell et al. 2007, PNAS

Global Carbon Project 2010

- Increases mortality of coral reefs and shellfish
- Affects food security and pearl industries
Ocean Acidification in the Pacific Islands

The Pacific Islands are particularly vulnerable to the impacts of ocean acidification due to the high reliance on the ecosystem services provided by coral reefs:

- Coastal fisheries are account for ~USD200 million in subsistence value and an additional ~USD165 million in commercial value
- Communities in the region derive most of their dietary protein from fish
- Coral reefs provide a buffer from storm surges
- Coral reefs are a major tourism attraction

Ocean Acidification projections for the Pacific

- Current ocean pH 8.1
- Decline of 0.3 units by 2050 (RCP8.5)
- Aragonite saturation decline to 3 – 3.5
- Marginal for calcification
- Significant biological implications

Coral Bleaching in American Samoa

Current Priority Areas

- Research and Monitoring
  - Current conditions and natural variability
  - Local species diversity and vulnerabilities
  - Down-scaled future projections
  - Information for informed decision making
- Practical Adaptation Options
  - Locally owned and driven interventions
  - Looking to build resilience to ocean acidification through the reduction of other local stressors such as over fishing, land-based sources of pollution, etc
- Communications and Capacity Building
  - Raising awareness of the ecosystem services provided by coastal ecosystems and how to effectively manage them

Current activities

- NZ Pacific Partnership on Ocean Acidification
  - Pilot sites in Fiji, Kiribati, Tokelau, and Kiribati, focusing on monitoring, implementing practical adaptation options, and capacity building
- Coastal Ecosystem Resilience program
  - GCF thematic program, also developing it as a full program of work with other partners
  - Considering all stressors on coastal ecosystems, and addressing them in a comprehensive manner
- Building partnerships to increase support to our members
Some Pacific island countries experience up to four times higher sea-level rise than the global average.
- Global average of 3.2 mm sea-level rise per year
- 12 mm sea-level rise per year in the tropical Western Pacific (Micronesia)

Atoll nations in particular are at risk
- Many have a maximum elevation of only 2-3 meters above sea level
- Increased risk to storm surge, especially if coral reefs are not healthy
- This risk is compounded by the expected future increase in severe storm severity

While easy to visualise, the image of “islands under water” is a disservice in many ways
- Fresh water is always a limited commodity and sea level rise is further constraining fresh-water lenses
- Sea level rise also limits the amount of farmable land and increases susceptibility to storm surges
- The risks posed by sea level rise and climate change has prompted Kiribati’s former president to call for a “migration with dignity” rather than waiting for islands to become uninhabitable
- The implications of migration due to climate change have not been fully agreed upon by the UNFCC and UNCLOS

In addition to increasing risk to coastal communities due to inundation and storm surge, increased storm severity poses a risk to coastal ecosystems
- Major storms are highly devastating to coral reefs and seagrasses, which can take years to recover. The loss of these also leads to decreased food security and increased vulnerability to future storms

In the Mediterranean and parts of Australia tropical fish species have been observed in formerly temperate waters, displacing local fish and altering fisheries
- Increased temperatures also puts corals at greater risk for disease
- The Pacific Islands are particularly vulnerable to invasive species due to their remoteness and high dependence on imported goods – many marine invasive species can be transported in ballast water and due to fouling on ships
- Poorly regulated Talipia aquaculture has also led to their introduction to the region
SPREP and the Large Ocean Communities of the Pacific – Working to build community and ecosystem resilience in a Changing World
Construction of Monitoring Platform on Ocean Acidification

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Ocean Policy Research Institute, The Sasakawa Peace Foundation

Session 3 a.

Ocean acidification is directly caused by the increase of carbon dioxide (CO2) levels in the atmosphere. When CO2 enters the ocean it rapidly goes through a series of chemical reactions which increase the acidity of the surface seawater (lowering its pH). The ocean has already removed about 30% of anthropogenic CO2 over the last 250 years, decreasing pH at a rate not seen for around 60 million years. This effect can be considered beneficial since it has slowed the accumulation of CO2 in the atmosphere and the rate of global warming; without this ocean sink, atmospheric CO2 levels would already be greater than 450 ppm.

Global CO2 budget (2005-2014)
Source: CDIAC; NOAA-ESRL; Le Quere et al., 2015

However, the continuation of rapid change to ocean chemistry is likely to be bad news for life in the sea; it will not only cause problems for organisms with calcium carbonate skeletons or shells (such as oysters, mussels, corals and some planktonic species) but could also impact many other organisms, ecosystems.

As the IPCC 5th report points out the risks to marine ecosystems, global warming as well as ocean acidification are becoming major subjects that must be addressed. Through actions being taken in Europe and the US, along with discussions such as CBD and Rio+20, research in Japan is still insufficient due to a lack of understanding by policymakers and the general public.

Development of Communication Tools on Ocean Acidification

OPRI-SPF has launched a 5-year program of research to observe and analyze the changing situation. Through this program, we aim to raise awareness regarding ocean risks and develop policy recommendations in order to fill the perception gaps between the serious situation and current levels of understanding.

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Activities of FY 2015

Ocean Acidification (OA) monitoring stations etc.
(Source: GOA-ON)

There is a critical need for long-term monitoring of ocean acidification in the Pacific islands region as current monitoring is insufficient and atoll nations such as Kiribati, Tuvalu and parts of Fiji are under direct threat from sea-level rise and degradation of coral reefs and associated fisheries from climate change and ocean acidification. Accurate and consistent time-series for ocean acidification and other key parameters of the oceanic carbonate system would be crucial for informed climate predictions and decision-making in the region and filling gaps of global ocean acidification monitoring network.
POTENTIAL PROJECT
2-3 Response to Climate Change and Variability
Start up of Regional Monitoring Network Platform on Ocean Acidification

Leading Organizations:
Ocean Policy Research Institute / SPF, USP

Potential Partners:
Ryukyu University, JAMSTEC

Goal: Obtain precise and quality-comparable ocean acidification (OA) time series for the various sites of the network, which could be directly used for critical climate prediction and modeling studies for the pacific region.

Proposed Steps of Actions:
1. Initiate capacity building toward the establishment of Research Laboratory for Climate Science and acquire basic instrumentation for water sample measurements such as a precision spectrophotometer, pH probes etc.
2. Deploy new platforms for OA and temperature measurements in the region to fill a critical need for long-term monitoring of OA as current monitoring is insufficient.
3. Disseminate the acquired and quality-controlled data both regionally and internationally through a data portal seamlessly linked to higher-order networks.

Adaptation to Climate Change and Variability by Island Societies (2-3.a)

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE (draft)
"IMPACTS OF GLOBAL WARMING AND OCEAN ACIDIFICATION ON MARINE ECOSYSTEMS AND NECESSARY POLICY MEASURES"
Date: Thursday 19th – Friday 20th January, 2017
Venue: The Sasakawa Peace Foundation Building, Tokyo, Japan

The purpose of the conference is to share research and policy trends around the world, deepen understanding of ocean risks, and discuss and establish a network of experts on the west Pacific region.

Thursday 19th January (10:00 – 17:30)

10:00 – 10:30
Opening Remark
Hiroshi Terashima (OPRI-SPF)

Introductory Speech
Yoshihisa Shirayama (JAMSTEC)

10:30 – 12:30
Keynote Speech
David Osborn (IAEA)
Carol Turley (PML)
Jan Newton (Univ. of Washington)

12:30 – 13:30
Lunch

13:30 – 15:30
Session 1: Current Trends and Issues on the West Pacific Oceans
Chen-Tung Arthur Chen (National Sun Yat-sen Univ.)
Tsuneo Ono (JMA)
TBD (JMA)
Tommy S. Moore (SPREP)

15:30 – 15:45
Break

15:45 – 16:55
Panel Discussion: Issues in Areas of the West Pacific Ocean
Moderator: Yukihiro Nojiri (Hirosaki Univ.)

16:55 – 17:00
Wrap-up for the day

17:30 – Reception

Friday 20th January (9:30 – 17:00)

Session 2: Response and Policy
9:30 – 11:00
Masahiko Fujii (Hokkaido Univ.)
Jun Kita (Marine Ecology Research Institute)
Tetsuji Ida (Kyodo News)

11:00 – 11:15
Break

11:15 – 12:15
Panel Discussion: Measures for Converting Response into Policy
Moderator: Joji Morishita (Tokyo Univ. of Marine Science and Tech.)

12:15 – 13:15
Lunch

Session 3: Towards Establishing a Network
13:15 – 15:15
Tsuneo Ono (JMA)
Antoine de Ramon N’Yeurt (USP)
Kazuhiko Sakai (Univ. of Ryukyu)
Toshio Yamagata (JAMSTEC)

15:15 – 15:30
Break

15:30 – 16:45
Panel Discussion: Towards Networking the West Pacific Ocean
Moderator: Yoshihisa Shirayama (JAMSTEC)

16:45 – 17:00
Wrap-up of the Conference

Closing
Relocation and Livelihood Re-Establishment of Climate Refugees in the Pacific

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Unique Feature of Climate Refugees

- Climate Refugees are predictable.
- They may have as long as a few decades for planning, vis-à-vis resettlers by other causes.
- They may have vocational training to secure a good job after relocation, before their leaving home.
- They may even visit a few possible destinations to select the best place.

Relocation by Large Dam Projects

Number of People Displaced by Dams Funded by the World Bank from 1986 to 1993

We have experiences.

Much larger number of people than the population of Kiribati (100,000), Marshall Islands (50,000) or Tuvalu (10,000) were relocated by a single dam project.

Disparity of Income between Urban and Rural Areas

Increased income.
Non-dirty/dangerous job
Higher education for children.
More convenient livelihood.

Climate Refugees may have the same motivation.

Good and Bad News for Fukushima Evacuees

Around 100,000 Fukushima prefecture residences were obliged to evacuate from their homes by the accident at the Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Plant in March 2011.

Their livelihood as evacuees has both good news and bad news.

They realized that they had much better access to clinics, dentists, nursing care and shopping malls.

Children may go to schools with higher education standard.
Enjoyable Life in Temporary Housing

- The interviews with the evacuees living in temporary housing by foreign experts revealed that 80% of the evacuees feel happy to live in there.
- They became “close friends” (literally next doors), despite most of them never met before evacuation.
- They are confident that they may re-establish their community after return with new and old “close friends”.

Emancipation from “Family Ties”

- A house wife in the temporary housing in the Iwaki City told us that she feels very happy to stay there.
- She used to have conflicts with her mother-in-law living in the same house.
- She is now emancipated from family ties, because she no longer lives in the same house as her mother-in-law.
- She has told her mother-in-law that she may come back home alone.
- “Family Ties” may not always be something to be missed.

Conflict with Host Community

- People who lived within 30 km from the nuclear reactor had to evacuate.
- Many evacuees with generous compensation moved to the Iwaki City, where the citizens were not compensated.
- Conflicts have been observed between “rich” evacuees and “poor” Iwaki citizens.

“Poor” Migrants and “Rich” Climate Refugees

- Poor people in lower land must leave the island first as migrant workers.
- Rich people in higher land will leave the island later with generous assistance as Climate Refugees.
- In their destination, poor migrant workers and rich Climate Refugees may have conflicts.

Possible Solution

- Once an island country is recognized to be submerged, the international society should take an action.
- Same assistance should be given to migrant workers (to leave the country soon) and Climate Refugees (to leave the country later – perhaps after establishment of Climate Refugees Treaty?).

Proposed Research

by ELI, IUCN and University of Tokyo

- Smooth Livelihood Re-Establishment of Climate Refugees in the Pacific after their Relocation
- Legal Toolkit for Addressing Environmental Displacement
Smooth Livelihood Re-Establishment of Climate Refugees in the Pacific after their Relocation

Objectives:

- To find possible motivations to migrate in the mind of residents of the SIDS in the Pacific (Kiribati and Marshall Islands).
- To suggest measures to have Climate Refugees in the future to re-establish their livelihood smoothly after relocation to the developed world.

Activities:

- Field studies in the SIDS
- Surveys in the present and future host communities of the migrants from the SIDS.

Proposed Research Activities (1)

In SIDS in the Pacific (Kiribati and Marshall Islands)

- Residents’ motivations to immigrate to the developed world (e.g., Increased income, Non-dirty/dangerous job, Higher education for children, More convenient city life, etc.)
- Perception of the residents regarding the needs for language and vocational training to re-establish livelihood smoothly after relocation.
- Availability of training facilities and suggestions (if any) for enhancement.

Proposed Research Activities (2)

In Present and Future Host Community of Migrants (Fiji, New Zealand and U.S.A.)

- Present livelihood of the migrants, vis-à-vis the same before relocation.
- Difficulties the migrants faced after relocation to re-establish livelihood.
- Language skills and vocational training required to secure jobs and availability of training opportunities in the host community.
- Conflicts with the “old residents” in the host community and possible counter-measures.

Thank you very much for your attention!
From Adaptation to Migration
Sofia Yazykova
December 7, 2016

Overview
• The Context
  • Climate Change and Displacement
  • Policy Challenges
  • Attempts to Address the Problem
• A Proposal
  • Strategies and National Plans
  • Capacity Building
  • Remaining Questions

The Context
• By the end of the century:
  • Global temperatures expected to increase by 2.6–4.8°C
  • Sea level rise by up to 1m
• Millions of people are displaced every year
  • >25m/year, including
  • 22.5m/year by weather and climate-related hazards
• Displacement will increase
• Displaced persons move across borders

Challenges in Developing Policies
• Causation:
  • Migration is multicausal
  • Role of climate change often unclear
  • Refugee system already overwhelmed
  • Uncertainty about the degree of the problem
  • Hotspots and various degrees of readiness

Attempts to Address Environmental Displacement
• Research – The Nansen Initiative
• Adaptation and Mitigation
• Conferences / Attempts to find solutions
• A Toolkit of Legal Mechanisms

A Proposal for a Legal Toolkit Addressing Transboundary Environmental Displacement
• Based on survey of existing and proposed legal provisions from around the world
  • National, bilateral, regional, and global
  • Reviewed and vetted via regional consultations, expert meetings, and other outreach
  • Organized around thematic issues (entry, permanent stay, and legal rights)
• Foundation for subsequent capacity building, policy development, and technical assistance initiatives
Value of a Toolkit Approach

- Allows diverse actions at different levels
- Increases awareness
- Allows flexibility
- Opportunistic empowers proactive action at diverse levels

Strategies and National Plans

- International and Regional Efforts
- National Plans
  - Strengthening infrastructure
  - Improving energy efficiency
  - Preparing for environmental disasters
  - Securing financial resources
  - Building relationships
  - Migration with dignity

Capacity Building

- Increase awareness
- Research/expert knowledge
- Training
- Institutional strengthening
- Improve planning
- Financial resources and financial support

Realities

- Global T to increase by 2.6-4.8 °C
- Sea level expected to rise by 1m by the end of the century
- Increased number of hot days in Pacific Islands
- More extreme rainfall in Pacific Islands
- Increased storm surges and coastal flooding
- Many islands expected to become uninhabitable

Remaining Questions

- What is the status of citizens who leave?
- Does a state without territory cease to exist?
- What happens to exclusive economic zones?
- What happens to legal obligations?

Thank you!  bruch@eli.org
Islands and Oceans Net 2nd General Meeting
6-7 December 2016, Tokyo, Japan

ICT4CCA – Role of ICT as Driver of Development

ORDER OF PRESENTATION
• INTRODUCTION OF COMMONWEALTH TELECOMMUNICATION ORGANIZATION (CTO)
• INTRODUCTION INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY
• FOCUS: SMALL ISLAND DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, PACIFIC
• RELEVANT INTERNATIONAL CONVENTIONS AND AGREEMENTS
• ICT4CCA CHALLENGES AND ISSUES IN THE PACIFIC
• PROPOSED PROJECTS
• CONCLUSION

What is the CTO?
The oldest and largest Commonwealth intergovernmental organisation in the field of information and communication technologies (ICT).

Four categories of membership:
• Full Member Countries
• Affiliate Member Countries
• ICT Sector Members
• Academia

Secretary General – Mr. Shola Taylor
sg.o.cto.int

The CTO @ 115 Years
• Founded in 1901 as Pacific Cable Board
• Became the membership organisation of telecommunications bodies in the Commonwealth
• Since 1967, an independent international treaty organisation, with diplomatic status in host country UK
• Deregulation and liberalisation of markets led to changes in membership structure
• Emerging focus on ICT4D in 2000s

• Traditional core activities
  – Capacity building
  – Research
  – Technical support, consultancy and advisory services
  – National, regional and international ICT events

• 2015 new Secretary-General and new Strategic Plan

CTO - Vision and mission
• Vision
  A trusted partner for sustainable development for all through ICTs

• Mission
  To provide result-focused ICT leadership in the Commonwealth and beyond

Information and Communication Technologies (ICTs)
• "We all know that information and communications technologies (ICTs) have revolutionised our world. ICTs are also very vital to confronting the problems we face as a planet: the threat of climate change.

• Indeed ICTs are part of the solution.
• Already these technologies are being used to cut emissions and help countries adapt to the effects of climate change."

Ban Ki-moon, UN Secretary General
Introduction

• ICT play a key role in addressing the major changes related with climate change adaptation and sustainable development.
• Why is ICT important in advancing climate change adaptation?
• Cross-cutting technology in driving the deep transformation needed in the global effort to combat climate change (Hamadoun I Touné, former ITU Secretary General)
• Advancing implementation of global Conventions and Plan of Actions on Climate Change
• Help countries predict, monitor and evaluate disaster situations
• Help in research – evidence of sea levels since 20-30 years ago
• Help in research – using ICT to record impact climate change policies on oceans
• Key enabler of new model of social and economic development
• ICT driven implementation: disseminates climate change information

Why is ICT important in advancing climate change adaptation?

• ICT4CCA CHALLENGES: PACIFIC ISLANDS
• Internet – Too expensive (Barrier for utilizing ICTs for research)
• Lacks ICT capacity – programming and application development
• Countries are made up hundreds of remote islands
• Remotely located from the rest of the world
• Surrounded by huge area of Pacific Ocean
• Rising Sea Level
• Most islands have no natural resources
• Fish is depleting
• Political instability (except Samoa)

Focus: Pacific Island Countries

• 15+ small island developing state scatter in the Pacific Ocean. Total population is 9.9million (2014 estimate).
• Total land mass is 530,078 sq/km (Source: UNFPA-PSRO estimates)
• About 118,000 sq/km of ocean
• Most countries are made up of hundreds of scattered smaller islands
• Promoting the Blue Economy: focus on fish – there is also pearl farms, paua or abalone farms etc

RELEVANT INTERNATIONAL CONVENTIONS/AGREEMENTS

• Sustainable Development Goals

1. Goal 8: Build resilient infrastructure, promote sustainable industrialization and foster innovation
2. Significantly increase access to information and communications technology and strive to provide universal and affordable access to the Internet in least developed countries by 2020
3. Goal 14: Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources
4. By 2030, increase the economic benefits to Small Island developing States and least developed countries from the sustainable use of marine resources, including through sustainable management of fisheries, aquaculture and tourism
5. Goal 13: Take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts
6. Oceans have warmed, the amounts of snow and ice have diminished and sea level has risen

ICT4CCA: ISSUES

• Natural disasters – recent category 5 cyclones and typhoons
• Extremely heavy rain and/or sea-surges result in flooding causing health risks from the dispersion of sewage and leachate from poor storage
• Lack of evidence on rising sea level. Rising sea level is affecting all SIDS
• Lack of research on impact: implementation ICT4CCA policies
• Research on the Blue Economy – pearls farming, abalone farming etc
• Impact of rising sea level and erosion (needs research for evidence)
• Lack ICT knowledge on climate change adaptation capacity in communities
RISING SEA LEVEL – MY FAMILY MY VILLAGE

The road used to be behind the church and in front of our beach fales – now it’s behind the houses

Mr. Hiroshi Terashima - evidence

RECENT CATEGORY 5 CYCLONES: THE PACIFIC SIDS

- Extreme weather events - more frequent and more severe with impact that is increasingly catastrophic impact on small island development.
- VANUATU – Cyclone Pam, 14 March 2015 - winds over 200 miles per hour caused widespread damage
- MICRONESIA – Super Typhoon Maysak, 31 March 2015 - sustained winds of 260 miles per hour destroyed the states of Chuuk and Yap
- FJI – Category 5 Cyclone Winston, 20 Feb 2016 with 230 miles per hour
- Disaster losses at immense in the Pacific Islands

CATEGORY 5 CYCLONES - IMPACT

Vanuatu

ICT4CCA: PRESENT SITUATION IN PACIFIC SIDS

- ICTs and Telecommunication Liberalization
- Submarine cable projects e.g. Tui-Samoa Cable
- Satellite projects by ITU for rural Pacific
- National ICT policies and Broadband roadmaps needs to be reviewed for implementation
- Cybersecurity and cybercrime policy and legislation continues to be an issue that needs attention
- Communities in rural areas need affordable and appropriate ICT access
- Women are drivers of change

SUGGESTED PROJECTS

NATIONAL LEVEL:
- Pilot Projects:
  - Research: Towards an ICT4CCA – Perspective from Elders in Villages
  - Research: Role of ICT in implementing climate change policies.
- Study – The Blue Economy: Role of ICT – measuring impact of Oceans and Tides in relation to Ocean farming e.g. pearls, abalone, lobsters etc.
- Study broadband usage in rural villages when disaster strikes
- Survey of ICT usage in rural villages as emergency telecommunication during disasters
- Capacity building on using satellite equipment before during and post disasters
- Monitoring and Evaluation Framework

REGIONAL LEVEL:
- Workshop on Broadband role in Climate Change Adaptation
- Research: Role of ICTs implementation of ICT4CCA policies
- Establish emergency telecommunication equipment to help countries when disasters strike e.g. BGANs, satellite phones
- Developing applications – monitoring ocean movement
- Capacity building workshop on using satellite equipment
- Replicate research pilot at the national level in other islands
- Monitoring and Evaluation Framework

SUGGESTED PROJECTS
CONCLUSION

• You cannot manage if you can’t measure
• ICTs help countries improve their understanding and assessment of impacts, vulnerability and adaptation, and to make informed decisions on practical adaptation actions and measures to respond to climate change on a sound scientific, technical and socioeconomic basis, taking into account current and future climate change and variability.
• Promote and advance the concept of Blue Economy using ICTs as the catalyst for development.

We look forward to collaboration

Thank you

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Session 4:

Capacity Building and Institutional Strengthening
USP’s Role in Capacity Building and institutional strengthening the Pacific Region

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USP History

• Established in 1968
• Owned by 12 Pacific countries – 14 campuses
• One of only 2 regional universities in the world
• Advanced communication technologies linking the campuses (USP Net)
• Highly diverse staff and student population
• Programmes offered in flexible modes

Human Resource Development

• The labour market from basic jobs to Ministers, Prime Ministers and Heads of States, Heads of Regional organisations, etc.
• Provide pre-degree studies, bachelors, masters and PhDs. Also TVET and short term trainings.
• Partner with other regional organizations and national institutions to deliver the most efficient programmes

Institute of Marine Resources

• Dedicated to the sustainable management and development of the marine and coastal resources of the Pacific.
• Delivers research and consultancy, technical analysis, development work, professional training and education in the marine and coastal sector.
• Actively involved in several projects from work on Tune, monitoring coastal ecosystems, working with communities
• Evolutionary Eco genomics and conservation of hammerhead sharks
• etc

IMR/FFA partnership

• Short trainings in are area of:
  - Seafood market development for small businesses in 4 Pacific countries
  - Certificate IV in Fisheries compliance & Enforcement

School of Marine Studies

Offers MA in Marine Management and BSc in Marine Science

• Main areas:
  - sustainable fisheries,
  - aquaculture,
  - coral reefs & marine ecology
  - Coastal management
  - Atolls & small islands
  - Oceanic societies
Pacific-European Union Marine Partnership (PEUMP) Programme (EDF11)

- Partners with LMMA, FFA, IUCN, PIFS, SPREP, SPC.
- 35m euro from the EU
- 10m euro from the Swedish govt

Overview

- Multi-disciplinary “whole of business” approach e.g. from collection/harvest, processing, storage, transport, value-adding, marketing & sales.
- Utilize USP ICT infrastructure and distance learning expertise across 14 campuses in 12 countries and beyond.
- Draws on existing regional and international knowledge networks and relationships.
- Focuses on priorities identified by key stakeholders.
- Complements other PEUMP partner capacity development activities and provides accredited training opportunities.

Activities

- Needs & Gap analysis of capacity development needs;
- Strengthen delivery of existing TVET courses and build sustainability;
- Development of new courses/programmes (dependent on Needs & Gap analysis);
- Formulate demand-driven applied postgraduate research;
- Structured Continuing Professional Development (e.g. short courses, MOOCs, webinars, public lectures);
- Strategic appraisal of capacity for the region including poverty and gender;
- Publication and dissemination – e.g. academic papers / theses, presentations to UN and CROP meetings, Talanoa/conference.

Vinaka Vakalevu
Partnerships for a Resilient Low Carbon Pacific

UN Environment Asia Pacific
Jonathan Gilman

Outline

01
UN Environment Assembly - oceans and seas resolutions update

02
Priority partnership areas for delivery of SDGs

03
Global and regional partnership mechanisms

Oceans under threat – human dimension of climate change, pollution & disasters

• In Vanuatu, Cyclone Pam caused approximately US$450 million in damage and losses, roughly equivalent to 64% of GDP.
• PICs have already commenced village relocation. Over 70% of households in Kiribati and Tuvalu felt that migration would be a likely
• Ocean acidification and temperature rise have physical and chemical impacts (bleaching, disease, or inhibited growth) – negative for tourism
• Fisheries in many PICs are overfished with some species near extinction. This has serious implications for the food security and livelihoods of many Pacific Islanders.
• Marine pollution is growing - since 1997 the number of species found in the South Pacific affected by marine debris (mostly plastic) has almost tripled. Impacts include ecosystem damage, clean-up costs, and potential risks to human health.

UN Environment Assembly Resolutions

Resolution on Oceans and Seas
Resolution on implementation of the SAMOA Pathway as a means of facilitating achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals
Resolution on Marine plastic Litter and Microplastics
Resolution on Sustainable Management of Coral Reefs

Private sector engagement on marine litter

Piloting in Asia* Indonesia, Thailand, Vietnam, Philippines, China – 60% of global marine litter. Major global cosmetic companies in Japan, S.Korea

Some options for action

“Plastic footprint” – developing methodologies for private sector measuring & reporting (increase green institutional impact investment)?

Convening private companies to exchange good practices in plastics manufacturing, packaging, distribution (companies can highlight positive measures)?

Green chemistry R&D: plastic alternatives, biodegradable standards through public/private partnerships? (Greener products for companies)?

Convening ASEAN governments: good practices, regulations, incentives for reducing plastic consumption and in waste disposal?

Priority Partnership Areas for Delivery of SDGs

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Priority Partnership Areas

1. Addressing climate change and enhancing resilience
   - National projects on ecosystem-based adaptation

2. Maintaining biodiversity and sustainable provision of ecosystem services
   - Pacific Coral Reef Reporting for decision support: data inventory, indicators, capacity building and networking (UNEP, SPREP and CRIOBE)
   - GEF Regional Project on “Mitigation and implementation of the Nagoya Protocol in the Countries of the South Pacific” covering 15 countries
   - GEF Project on “Integrated approach to Marine Protected Areas in ACP countries”
   - GEF & Okinawa project concept submitted covering a country – Tonga, Nauru, Tuvalu, Marshall Islands

3. Managing chemicals and waste and developing integrated approaches to environment and health
   - Minamata Convention Mercury Initial Assessments

Applying an integrated approach

MULTI-DISCIPLINARY PARTNERSHIPS
- Bringing together government, civil society, private sector for cross-sectoral policy development; linking local and national planning; cross-Ministry policy planning; (multi agency teams in UN) This requires an institutional evolution that breaks the silos of centralized sector-based policy planning processes.

INTEGRATION OF INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS AND PROCESSES
- The 2030 Agenda is consistent with existing obligations and commitments of States under conventions, agreements, treaties (e.g. MEAs).

COHERENCE AND MOBILIZATION OF DIFFERENT SOURCES OF FINANCE
- Mobilization and guidance of financing from public and private sector in line with Addis Ababa Action Agenda.

NEXUS APPROACH
- Policies, programmes, projects address the three pillars of sustainable development and benefit multiple SDG targets.

INTEGRATED APPROACH Partnership for Action on Green Economy

Activities
- Modelling for Green Economy using the Tiri model to identify macro economic impacts due to Green Policy Interventions
- Development of Green Economic Indicators
  - Green School design leading to National Green building codes
  - Incorporating Sustainability into Public Procurement
  - Global forest carbon assessment which addresses green economy for decision making
- Waste management, developing a waste inventory for the country
- Mobilizing finance for Sustainable Development, green and inclusive financial products and services

Partnership Engagement Process
- Ministry of Environment and Green Development
- NGOs
- Ministry of Finance, banking sector
- Ministry of Construction and Urban Development
- E.O., UNDP, UNEP, and UNITAR, UNEP

DATA, SDG INDICATORS DEVELOPMENT AND MONITORING

SDG 14: Oceans Reporting Status

Indicator conceptually clear, established methodology and standards available and data regularly produced by countries.
- TIER 1
- Fish stocks biologically sustainable levels
- Protected marine areas

Indicator conceptually clear, established methodology and standards available but data are not regularly produced by countries.
- TIER 2
- Eutrophication and floating plastic debris density
- Economic zones managed using ecosystem based Approaches
- Marine acidity (pH)
- Abandoned, unreported and unregulated fishing
- Sustainable fisheries, GFP
- Research budget for marine Technology
- Legal framework small-scale fisheries
PART III

Global and Regional Partnership Mechanisms

GLOBAL CORAL REEF PARTNERSHIP WITH REGIONAL THEMATIC INITIATIVES

UN CONFERENCE TO SUPPORT IMPLEMENTATION OF SDG OCEANS

CONNCTING THE PACIFIC to Regional Mechanisms for 2030 Agenda

ASIA PACIFIC FORUM FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT aka Regional HLPF
- Organized by UNESCAP
- Platform for dialogue on regional priorities of the 2030 Agenda/SDGs
- Reviews and of the Pacific priorities
- Preceded by subregional meetings
- Regional Roadmap for SDG Implementation

MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE ON ENVIRONMENT AND DEVELOPMENT
- Platform for dialogue on regional environment and development priorities of the 2030 Agenda/SDGs
- Inform HLPF of Asia Pacific priorities
- Preceded by subregional meetings

FORUM OF MINISTERS AND ENVIRONMENT AUTHORITIES
- Inform and implement decisions of global UNEP Environment Assembly
- Address environment dimension of the regional SDG roadmap
- Meets every 2 years

UNEA-3 and Preparatory Process

6-8 DECEMBER 2017
Nairobi, Kenya

PROPOSE KEY PACIFIC THEMES

ENCOURAGE DESIGNATE MEMBERSHIP of UNEPs Committee of Permanent Representatives to ensure full participation in preparatory process – only Fiji and Samoa current PIC members.

3RD OPEN-ENDED CPR
29 November – 1 December 2017

UNEA 3- REPORTING ON RESOLUTIONS including Samoa Pathway

OPPORTUNITY FOR SPECIAL EVENT for SIDS to track/exchange lessons on implementation of Samoa Pathway and SDGs

The Conference will...

IDENTIFY WAYS AND MEANS to support the implementation of SDG 14

BUILD ON EXISTING SUCCESSFUL PARTNERSHIPS and stimulate innovative and concrete new partnerships to advance the implementation of SDG 14

SHARE THE EXPERIENCES gained at the national, regional and international levels in the implementation of SDG 14

CONTRIBUTE TO THE FOLLOW-UP AND REVIEW PROCESS of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development by providing input to the High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (HLPF) on the implementation of Goal 14

INVOLVE ALL RELEVANT STAKEHOLDERS.

The Conference will….
Preparatory Informal Working Groups of the Advisory Group

UN ENVIRONMENT LEADS....
- Group 1 on 14.1 Pollution
- Group 2 on 14.2 Marine, coastal ecosystems
- Group 5 on 14.5 10% of marine & coastal areas conserved

UN ENVIRONMENT PARTICIPATES AS A MEMBER IN....
- Group 3 on 14.3 Acidification
- Group 4 on 14.4, 14.6 Fishing/fisheries
- Group 7 on 14.c UNCLOS

THE GLOBAL PROGRAMME OF ACTION FOR THE PROTECTION OF THE MARINE ENVIRONMENT FROM LAND-BASED ACTIVITIES, adopted in 1995, is a voluntary, action-oriented, intergovernmental programme led by and hosted within UNEP to prevent the degradation of the marine environment from land-based activities. It celebrates 20 years in November 2016.

The MANILA DECLARATION in 2012 gave GPA the mandate to establish three global multi-stakeholder partnerships for the priority areas nutrients, marine litter and wastewater.

Global Coral Reef Partnership

PROMOTE AND DEMONSTRATE EBM WITH CORAL REEFS AS A MODEL SYSTEM, FOCUS ON 4 THEMES
- SUPPORT DEVELOPMENT AND EXCHANGE OF METHODS, TOOLS AND POLICY FRAMEWORKS
- FACILITATE ADOPTION AND USE THROUGH THE REGIONAL SEAS AND NATIONAL DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS

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Capacity Development
Implementation of Japan’s ODA in the Pacific

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Japan’s Assistance Package for PICs at PALM7 (cont’d)

Human Resource Development and People-to-People Exchanges

- Establishment of Pacific LEADS (Pacific Leaders Educational Assistance for Development of State)
- Capacity development for 4,000 people in 3 years through human resource development and people-to-people exchanges
- Providing opportunities for 100 competent young government officials to study in Japanese universities and work on an internship, aiming at supporting future leaders in the region
- Strengthening friendly relationship between PICs and Japan through human resource development and people-to-people exchanges
- Promote capacity development such as trainings and seminars, and cultural exchanges
- Provide sports-related exchanges through “Sport for Tomorrow”
- Support Japan’s enterprises find business partner in PICs by dispatching business mission annually
- Further strengthening the relationship between Japan and Pacific island countries

Capacity Development - Japan’s ODA for PICs -

Basic concept of “capacity development”
- The ability (problem-solving ability) of individuals, organizations, institutions, and societies to individually or collectively perform functions, solve problems, and set and achieve objectives.

Major areas of Japan’s capacity development
- Acceptance of technical training participants
- Dispatch of Experts
- Technical Cooperation for Development Planning
- Technical Cooperation for Development Planning

Approach of Japan’s capacity development
- Promoting region-wide cooperation to address issues common to the region effectively
- Supported by many relevant Japanese governmental and non-governmental organizations

“Pacific-LEADS”
Pacific Leaders’ Educational Assistance for Development of State

Outline of “Pacific-LEADS”

- Providing competent young personnel, mainly government officials from Pacific island countries with opportunities to study and work on an intern in Japan for about 2 years
- Enabling Master’s degree on development issues at Japanese university
- Financing internship at Japanese governmental organizations
- Exposing 100 participants from all 14 Pacific island countries in 3 years

Scope of “Pacific-LEADS”

The program aims at
- Supporting young personnel who play a vital role towards the resolution of development challenges in Pacific island countries
- Fostering future leaders of the Pacific island countries who deeply understand the contexts of Japanese culture, society and business
- Further strengthening the relationship between Japan and Pacific island countries

Japan’s Assistance Package for PICs at PALM7?

Japan will steadily implement assistance of more than 55 billion yen in the next 3 years, focusing on Disaster Risk Reduction, Climate Change, Environment, People-to-People Exchanges / Sustainable Development/ Oceans, Water Issues and Fisheries / Trade, Investment and Tourism.
Human Resource Development and Network under the WMU Scholarship Programme by the Sasakawa Peace Foundation

**World Maritime University (世界海事大学)**

- Postgraduate maritime university located in Malmö, Sweden (the third largest city in Sweden)
- Founded in 1983 by the International Maritime Organization (IMO), a specialized agency of the United Nations
- Aim to further enhance the objectives of IMO member states around the world through education and capacity building to ensure safe, secure, and efficient shipping on clean oceans
- Dr. Cleopatra Doumbia-Henry joined WMU as President in the summer of 2015
- Around 130 students enter the University each year

**WMU Sasakawa Scholarship Program (WMU笹川奨学プログラム)**

- Operated by SPF under the auspices of The Nippon Foundation
- Cultivation of maritime leaders and experts of tomorrow
- Provided scholarship fund to WMU since 1987
- 14-month MSc. Program
- 7 Specialization courses to choose from
  - Maritime Education and Training
  - Maritime Energy Management
  - Maritime Law & Policy
  - Port Management
  - Shipping Management & Logistics
  - Maritime Safety & Environmental Administration
  - Ocean Sustainability, Governance & Management
- 581 recipients from 69 countries as of today

**Number of WMU Sasakawa Fellows by Country**

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**Two Main Components**

1. **Selection of Fellowship Recipients**
   - Cultivation of maritime leaders and experts of tomorrow

2. **Network Development**
   - To sustain and expand networks to further implement positive change in the maritime community
1. Selection of Fellowship Recipients

1-1: Selection Procedure for WMU Sasakawa Fellowship

1. Call for Online Application (http://www.wmu.se/)
2. Screening by the Admission Board of WMU
3. List of Candidates for Sasakawa Fellowship sent by WMU
4. Selection Board Meeting for Sasakawa Fellowship held at SPF in April (once a year)
5. Selection Results sent to WMU
6. Fellowship Award Notification from WMU to the Recipients

1-2: Entrance Requirements - 14-month standard programme

- A Bachelor’s degree in a relevant discipline, or an equivalent university qualification
- The highest grade certificate of competency for unrestricted services as master mariner or chief engineer, or equivalent maritime qualifications
- Substantial, directly relevant professional experience
- Computer competence (at least the ability to use Microsoft Office)
- Competence in English language, demonstrated by an internationally recognized standard test

More information can be found at WMU website (Academic Handbook)

1-3: The Selection Criteria for WMU Sasakawa Fellowship Recipients

- Only applicants currently employed in the public sector can be considered
- Only applicants to the 14-month, standard program are eligible
- The employing organization must also submit the form, Application for Financial Support
- The Committee prioritizes candidates aged between 26 and 35
- The Committee expects applicants to have minimum of 3 years of professional experience in the maritime sector
- Only candidates with full academic clearance from WMU can be considered
- The Committee encourages applicants from Asian countries, where the Foundations have traditionally been active, but also considers from other regions

2. Network Development

2-1: Administration of the Directory of WMU Sasakawa Fellows

- Only Sasakawa Fellows and current Sasakawa Fellowship students are authorized to enter the directory using their user name and password
- Available to look up other Fellows information
- In case of changes of place of work and/or address, they can update the information by themselves
- The most basic element and the beginning of the enhancement of the network is to administer the Fellows Directory
- Compiled the data from the fellow database into a booklet and distributed to the Sasakawa Fellows (updated every 2-3 years)
- It is useful for those who have trouble accessing internet

2-2: Alumni Newsletter

- To share personal news, maritime information and more
- Printed Alumni Bulletin since October, 2002
- Printed four (4) times a year (March, June, Sept. and Dec.)
- Distributed to the Sasakawa Fellows and relevant people at WMU as well as those who are concerned with maritime affairs throughout the world (More than 70 countries throughout the World with over 1,000 copies)
2. Network Development

2-3: Website/Facebook
- Periodically update our website for sharing the news and information among fellows
- By using Social Networking Service (Facebook, LinkedIn) is an essential tool for establishing and developing our network
- Facebook is also the most convenient tool for finding old Sasakawa Fellows and keeping friendships alive

*Friends of WMU Japan Network (www.wmujapan.net)*

2. Network Development

2-4: Japan Field Study Trip
- Providing an opportunity to visit Japan to deepen understanding of Japan's present marine situations by inviting new Sasakawa Fellowship students for a week to Japan
- Taking place annually in May
- Having opportunities to visit wide variety of maritime related industries, institutes, factories, and more
- Great opportunity to get to know well among students

*Official Facebook for WMU Sasakawa Fellows*

2. Network Development

2-5: Gathering Orientation
- Taking place annually (September)
- To promote connection between the graduating Class and the incoming Sasakawa Fellowship students
- To discuss about future Sasakawa Fellowship students
- To build the foundation for future collaboration as the member of Sasakawa Fellows

*Children of WMU Sasakawa Fellows*

2. Network Development

2-6: Awards Ceremony for Graduating Class
- Held the night before the Graduation (Graduation Eve)
- Conferring the original certificate for WMU Sasakawa graduating students who successfully completed the MSc. course at the World Maritime University
- Graduating students automatically become members of the Friends of WMU, Japan society, and they are now called, “Sasakawa Fellows”

*Graduating Class of WMU Sasakawa Fellows*

2. Network Development

2-7: Regional Network Meeting
- To promote the Sasakawa Fellows Network and its Activities
- Face to face communication is the most effective method to enhance the network
- Held Regional Network Meetings since 2007:
  - Southeast Asian Regional Meeting in Bangkok, Thailand in 2007
  - South Asian Regional Meeting in Colombo, Sri Lanka in 2010
  - African Regional Meeting in Accra, Ghana in 2013
- To decide “Focal Point(s)” from each country is essential

*Multinational Fellows gathered in Singapore*

2. Network Development

Achievements:
- Sasakawa Fellows from different countries often reunite and associate with each other at international conferences, workshops and/or seminars
- Many Sasakawa Fellows play active roles in maritime fields at IMO
- Chairman Yohei Sasakawa of The Nippon Foundation and all other people related to the foundation, including staff at the Secretariat, endeavor to directly communicate with Fellows

*Multinational Fellows playing active role at IMO*
Conclusion

- Administration of the Fellows Directory is the starting point for the network though it is a laborious work.
- The Website/Facebook is a method to enhance the network using modern technology.
- Newsletter is another way to enhance the network by the delivery of printed matters.
- However, the network in itself is a form of exchange, and the opportunity to meet and talk, even for a short while, is essential for such exchange.
- In order to construct and enhance the network, continuous steady effort is required.

Since common problems are piling up in the modern maritime world, cooperation transcending national borders is becoming more and more important.

Links

- The Sasakawa Peace Foundation: www.spf.org/
- Ocean Policy Research Institute: www.opri.org/
- Friends of WMU, Japan: www.wmujapan.net/
- World Maritime University: www.wmu.se/
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