

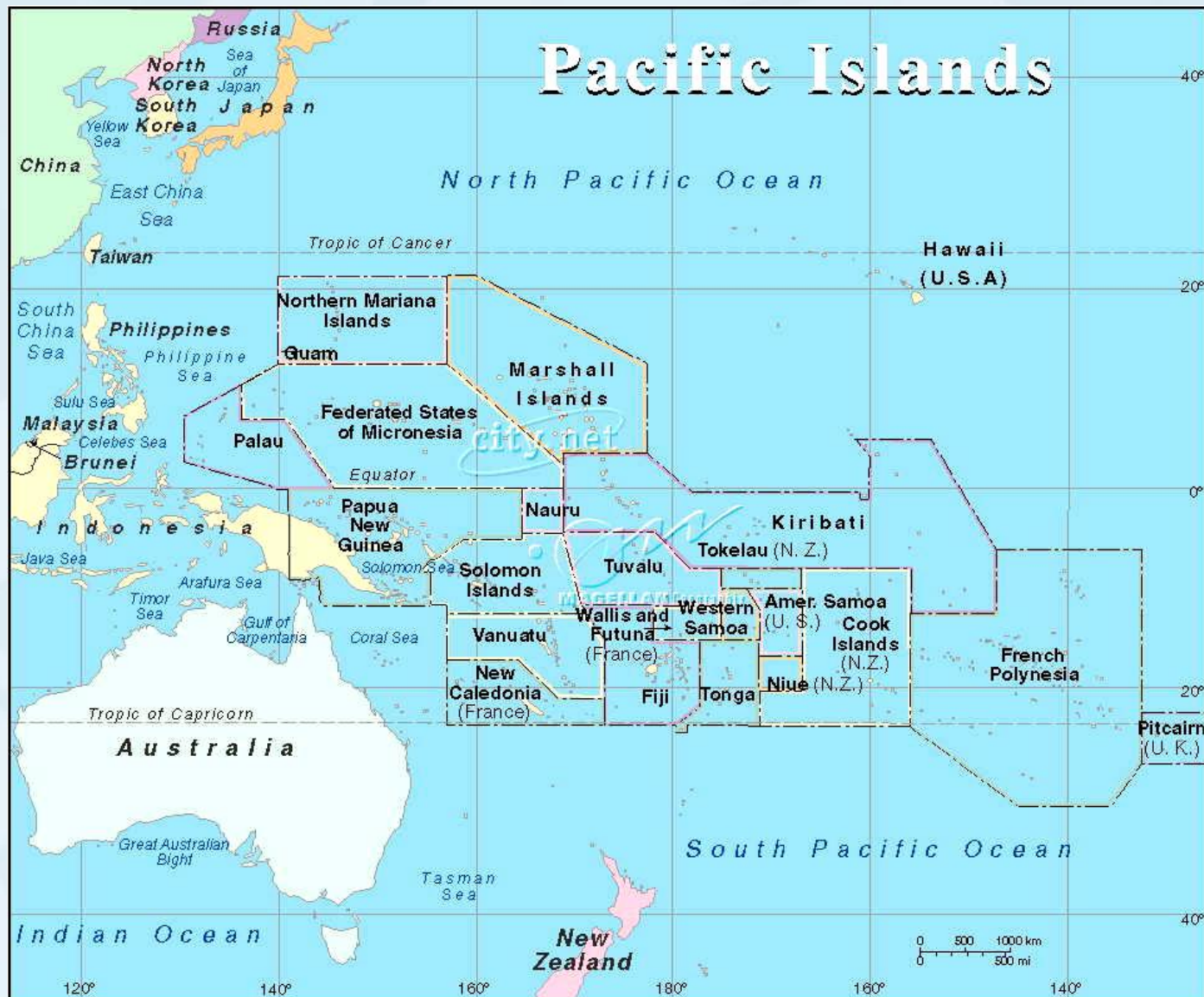


# REGIONAL SUPPORT FOR REDD+ READINESS IN THE PACIFIC

*REDD+ SEMINAR IN JAPAN*

*Tokyo, Japan*

*07- 08 February, 2012*





# ABOUT THE PACIFIC

- **THOUSANDS OF ISLANDS SCATTERED OVER 33 MILLION SQ. KM. (about 1/3 of the earth's surface)**
- **ONLY 2% IS LAND**
- **POPULATION IS AROUND 8.5 million**
- **60% OF THE WORLD'S LANGUAGES (PNG has 800+)**
- **MELANESIAN, POLYNESIAN & MICRONESIAN**
- **ENORMOUS DIVERSITY IN SIZE, POPULATION, ETC.**
- **SIGNIFICANT CHALLENGES EXIST**
- **CLIMATE CHANGE IS A MAJOR ISSUE**



# **SECRETARIAT OF THE PACIFIC COMMUNITY (SPC)**

- **REGIONAL INTERGOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION  
ESTABLISHED IN 1947**
- **MEMBERSHIP – 22 PICTs + AUSTRALIA, FRANCE,  
NZ & USA**
- **HEADED BY DG WITH HQ IN NOUMEA, NEW  
CALEDONIA**
- **6 DIVISIONS**
- **CORE FUNCTIONS – CAPACITY BLDG, CAPACITY  
SUPPLEMENTATION, TRANSBOUNDARY  
FUNCTIONS**
- **MAIN CAMPUSES IN NC AND IN FIJI**





# FORESTS AND TREES HAVE CONTRIBUTED TO THE RESILIENCE OF PACIFIC COMMUNITIES IN THE FACE OF PAST NATURAL DISASTERS



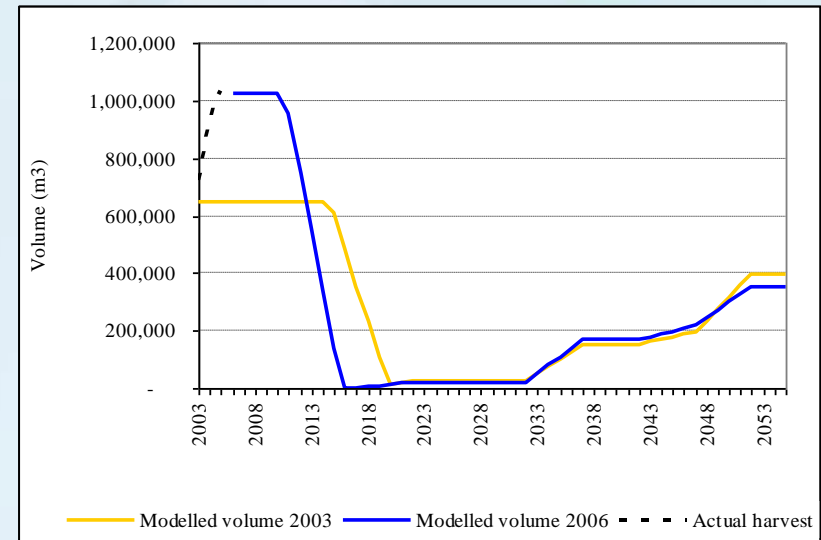


# **BUT NEED TO DEAL WITH THE ISSUE OF CONTINUING DEFORESTATION & DEGRADATION**





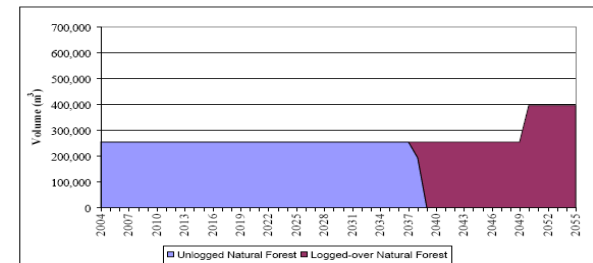
# SFM HAS BEEN VERY ELUSIVE AS PICs FACE MANY CHALLENGES



The resulting woodflow (ES Figure 2) shows that current harvest rates can be maintained until 2015 when the unlogged natural forests become exhausted. The sharp drop in volume is a direct consequence of harvesting the forests more quickly than they can regenerate.

It would be theoretically possible to manage the current resource in order to avoid the drastic decline in volume around 2015 (ES Figure 3).

ES Figure 3: Non-declining woodflow from natural forests



Source: SIFMP, 2003

The annual cut from natural forests would need to be capped at 255,000m³/yr from 2004 to 2049, after which the Solomon Islands could support an estimated long term non-declining cut of 398,000m³/yr.



**LACK OF RESOURCES IN TERMS OF  
FUNDING AND EXPERTISE HAS  
ALWAYS BEEN HIGHLIGHTED AS  
ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT  
OBSTACLES TO IMPLEMENTING SFM  
PROGRAMMES IN PICs**





**REDD+** WITH ITS CURRENT FUND-  
BASED GRANT FINANCING  
MECHANISM FOR **REDD+**  
READINESS ACTIVITIES OFFERS  
AN EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY  
FOR FORESTRY SUPPORT IN PICs  
TOWARDS SFM

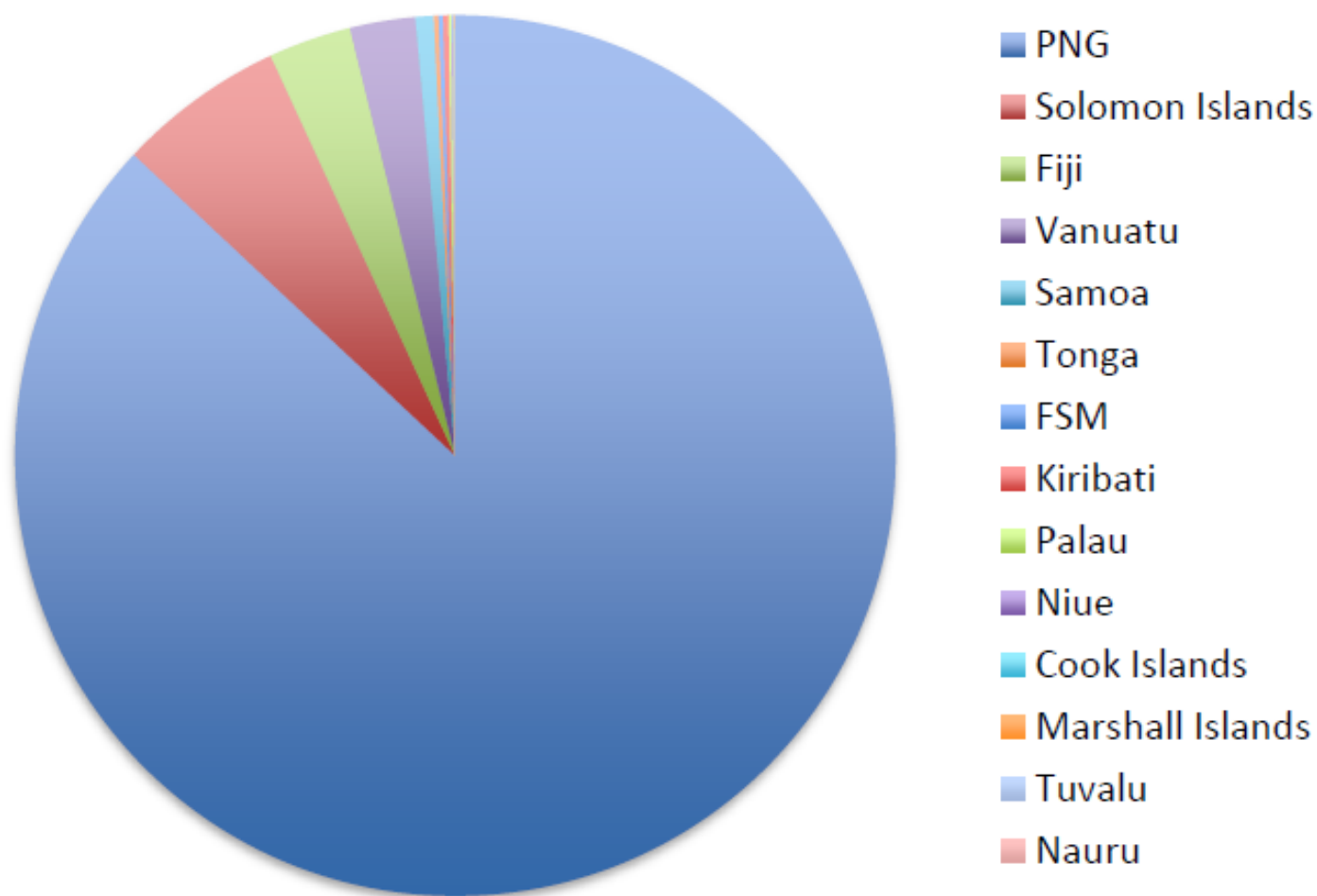


## Projects in the Pacific Region with explicit relevance to REDD+ readiness

Project/Program	Source of funds	Target countries	Implementing agency/partner	Duration	Indicative Budget
UN-REDD PNG National Programme	UN-REDD Multi-Donor Trust Fund <sup>16</sup>	PNG	PNG Office of Climate Change and Development	2011-13	USD \$6.4 million
UN-REDD Solomon Islands National Programme	UN-REDD Multi-Donor Trust Fund	Solomon Islands	SI Ministry of Environment and Climate Change	2011-12	USD \$550,000
Coping with Climate Change in the Pacific Island Region (REDD+ component)	BMZ (Germany)	Fiji	SPC and GIZ	2008-15	part of USD \$14 million
Climate Protection through Forest Conservation in Pacific Island Countries	BMU (Germany)	Fiji, PNG, Solomon Islands, Vanuatu	SPC and GIZ	2010-14	€4.9 million
MRV System Installation Project	Japan Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MOFA)	Samoa	Samoa Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment	2011-13	USD \$3 million
Governance and Implementation of REDD in Small Island Developing States	EU	Fiji, Solomon Islands, Vanuatu	Live and Learn Environmental Education (LLEE)	2011-15	€2.1 million
Establishing a REDD+ MRV system for PNG	Government of Japan / JICA	PNG	PNG Forest Authority	2011 onwards	USD\$10.5 million

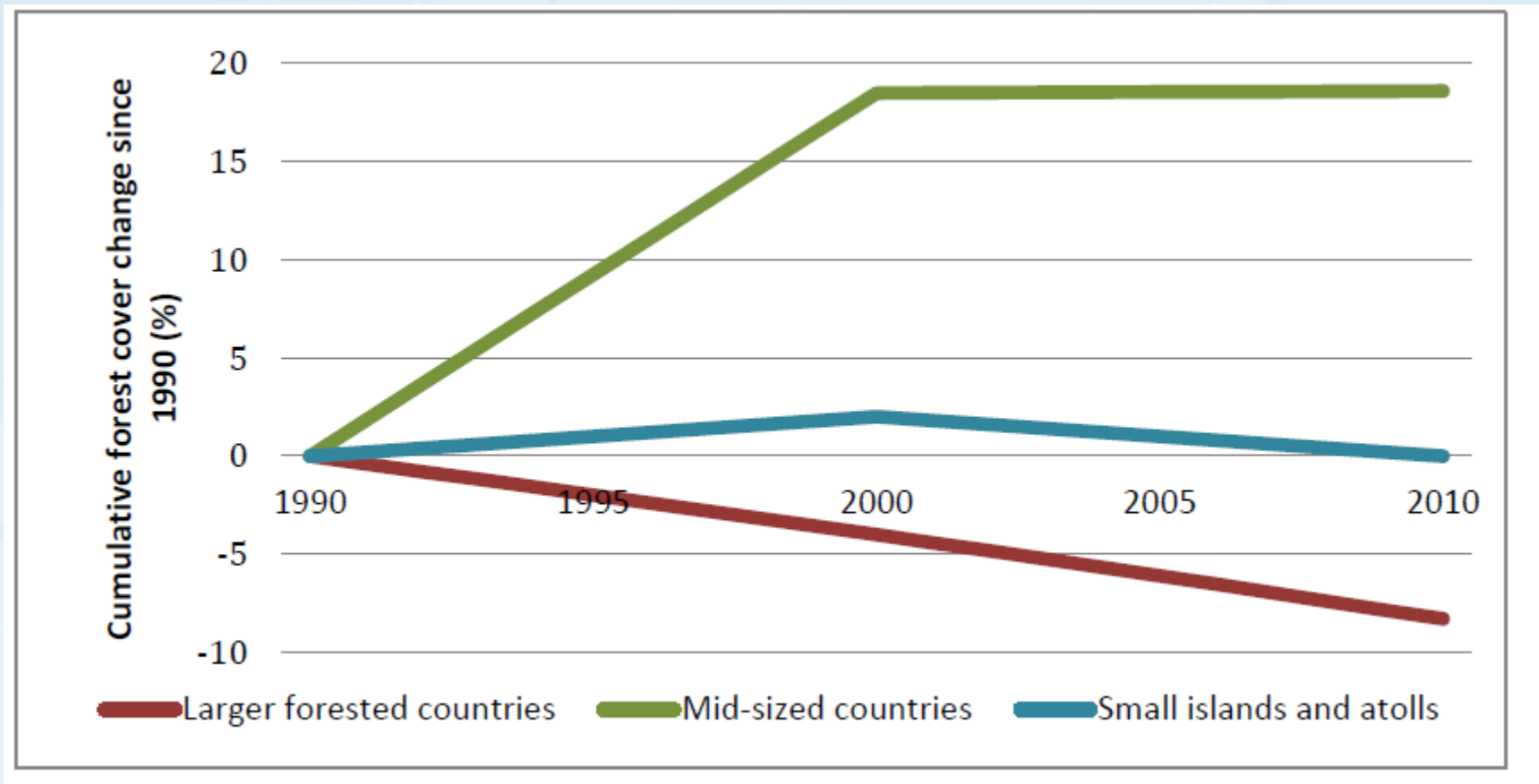


## Proportions of total forest and tree cover in the PICs by country (GFRA 2010, FAO)





## FOREST COVER CHANGE IN PICs 1990-2010 (GFRA 2010)





PICs	Land Area (km <sup>2</sup> )	Customary Land (%)	State Land (%)	Freehold (%)	Registration of customary land
PNG	452,860	97	2.5	0.5	none
Fiji	18,270	88	4	8	most
Solomon Islands	27,990	95	8	5	0.2%
Vanuatu	12,200	97	2	0	little
FSM	700	65	35	8	little
Samoa	2,830	81	15	4	some
Tonga	720	0	100	0	not applicable
Cook Islands	240	99	<1	little	65%
Kiribati	810	50	<5	>45	most
Marshall Islands	180	>99	<1	0	little
Nauru	20	>90	<10	0	most
Niue	260	98.5	1.5	0	10%
Palau	460	some	most	some	most
Tuvalu	30	100	0	<0.1	100%
<b>Total</b>	<b>526,724</b>				





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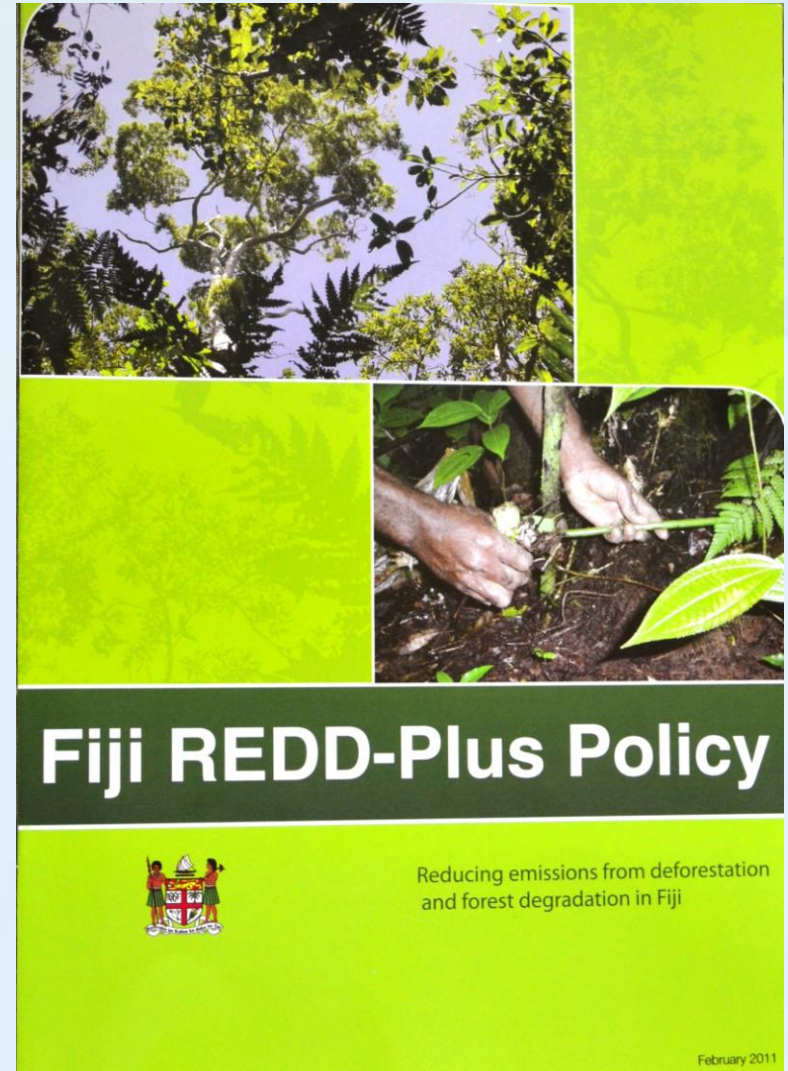
- *DRAFT REGIONAL REDD+ POLICY FRAMEWORK*
- *REGIONAL INFORMATION PORTAL*
- *NATIONAL READINESS*

**THIS WORK IS THE FOCUS OF THE SPC/GIZ  
PROJECT ON CLIMATE PROTECTION THROUGH  
FOREST CONSERVATION IN THE PACIFIC ISLAND  
COUNTRIES**



# FIJI REDD+ READINESS PROGRAMME:

- *BEGAN IN 2009*
- *PHASED APPROACH*
  1. *REDD+ POLICY & MRV SYSTEM*
  2. *REDD+ STRATEGY*
  3. *PARTICIPATING IN REDD CARBON*





# REGIONAL COORDINATION

- 18 PICTs ATTENDED REGIONAL FORESTRY TECHNICAL MEETING IN FIJI IN 2011
- ORGANISED BY SPC IN PARTNERSHIP WITH GIZ, JICA, UN-REDD, FAO, UNDP, NZMAFF & CSIRO
- TO DISCUSS THE REGIONAL POLICY FRAMEWORK FOR REDD+





# **PACIFIC REGIONAL FRAMEWORK ON REDD+ ROADMAP**

***DRAFT REGIONAL REDD+ POLICY  
FRAMEWORK TO BE PRESENTED AT THE  
2012 PACIFIC HEADS OF AGRICULTURE &  
FORESTRY SERVICES (HOAFS) AND  
MINISTERS' MEETINGS IN PNG IN  
SEPTEMBER***





# **MAIN COMPONENTS OF THE REGIONAL FRAMEWORK ON REDD+**

- ***REGIONAL DRIVERS OF DEFORESTATION & STRATEGIES TO ADDRESS REGIONAL LEAKAGE ISSUES***
- ***REGIONAL GUIDELINES ON MRV, REL/RL METHODOLOGY, SAFEGUARD MONITORING TOOLS/METHODOLOGY***
- ***REGIONAL COMMUNICATION, COLLABORATION & INFORMATION SHARING***
- ***CAPACITY BUILDING NEEDS AND/OR OPPORTUNITIES***





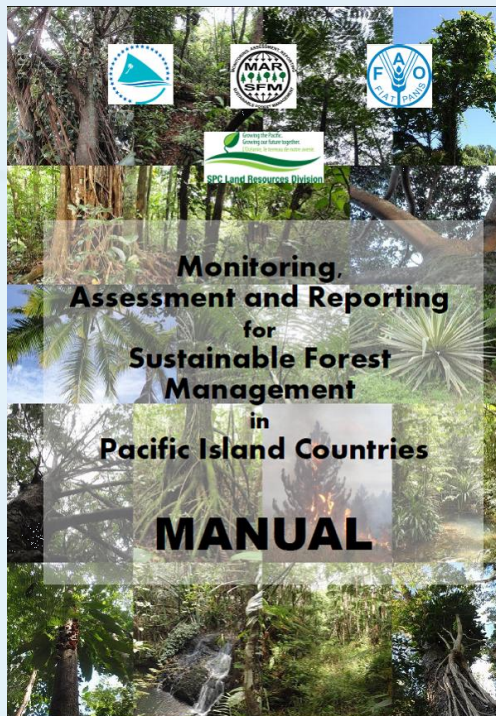
# **BASIC PRINCIPLES FOR REGIONAL SUPPORT SERVICES TO BE CONSIDERED IN THE DRAFT FRAMEWORK ON REDD+**

- ***SHARING & COORDINATION OF CAPACITIES,  
SERVICES AND EXPERTISE***
- ***ENHANCING EXISTING REGIONAL FACILITY  
TO PROVIDE TRAINING AND TECHNICAL  
SERVICES ON MRV***
- ***REGIONAL ROSTER OF EXPERTS***
- ***STRENGTHENING REGIONAL CAPACITY IN  
INTERNATIONAL ENGAGEMENT***



# MRV TECHNICAL ISSUES - MAR FOR SFM

- **FAO METHODOLOGY ADAPTED TO PACIFIC CONDITIONS**
- **DRAFT MANUAL COMPLETED**
- **CURRENTLY BEING REFINED**





# MRV TECHNICAL ISSUES

- REMOTE SENSING
- FOREST  
INVENTORY
- REGIONAL  
BIOMASS  
ALLOMETRIC  
MODELS





## AS A REGION OUR FOCUS CONTINUES TO BE ON:

- *NEED FOR **REDD+** TO SUPPORT SFM*
- *CONTINUED NEED FOR MORE RELEVANT AWARENESS & TRAINING ON **REDD+** AT ALL LEVELS*
- *NEED FOR APPROPRIATE POLICIES & INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORKS DEVELOPED FOR **REDD+***
- *HOW CAN SMALLER LANDOWNERS/PICS BENEFIT?*
- *REGIONAL FRAMEWORK FOR **REDD+***





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**THANK YOU**