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“The Role of Macroeconomic Policy and Energy Security in supporting  
Sustainable Development in the Pacific”**

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**Green Economy in a Blue World**

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**“The future we want” reinforced the global commitment towards balancing the economic, social and environmental pillars of sustainable development.**

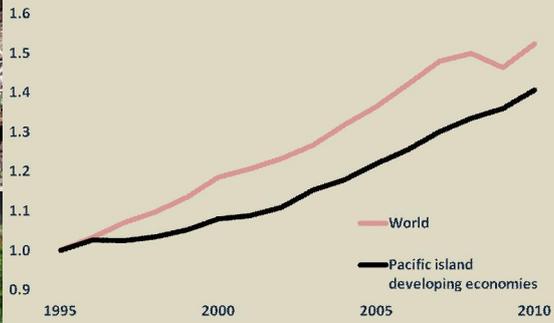


The Pacific faces significant challenges, especially with respect to poverty alleviation and environmental sustainability



## Limited economic growth

Index of real GDP growth



There are 2,600,000 or a fifth of the total Pacific islands population living in poverty.



Climate change (and natural disasters) is the single greatest threat facing the Pacific.



**Some of the most productive and diverse marine ecosystems ecosystems on earth.**



**But...**



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