

Pacific High-level Policy Dialogue
**The Role of Macroeconomic Policy and Energy Security in
supporting Sustainable Development in the Pacific**

8-9 October 2012
Tanoa International Hotel, Nadi, Fiji

Tentative Programme

Monday, 8 October

8:30-9:00 Registration

9:00-10:15 **Opening Session**

Welcome remarks by Mr. Anisuzzaman Chowdhury, Director, Macroeconomic Policy and Development Division, ESCAP

Keynote address by Hon. Jiko Luveni, Minister for Social Welfare, Women and Poverty Alleviation (on behalf of Commodore Josai Voreqe Bainimarama, Prime Minister and Minister for Finance)

Green Economy in a Blue World

Mr. Iosefa Maiava, Head, ESCAP Pacific Office, Fiji

10:15-10:30 Coffee

10:30-13:00 **Session 1 – Stimulating and Sustaining Growth, Building Resilience: the Role of Macroeconomic Policies**

Pacific island countries face the challenge of stimulating and sustaining economic growth, including through increased investment and exports. Recent economic shocks, particularly high and volatile commodity prices, have also highlighted the importance of building resilience. Taking into consideration the outcome of Rio+20, this session will identify common challenges and best practices in macro-economic policy making among the Pacific island countries and selected Asian countries.

Chair: Mr. Anisuzzaman Chowdhury

Panel 1: Global and Regional Context

Mr. Aynul Hasan, Chief, Development Policy Section, Macroeconomic Policy and Development Division, ESCAP (Regional Economic Challenges and Macroeconomic Policies for Sustainable Development)

Mr. Shunli Yao, Director, Institute for Applied International Trade, University of International Business and Economics, Beijing, China (How Stimulating and Sustaining are China's Responses to the Global Financial Crisis?)

Ms. Latifah Mercian Cheong, Advisor, Securities Commission, former Programme Director in the World Bank and Assistant Governor of Bank Negara Malaysia (Stimulating and Sustaining Growth, Building Resilience: the Malaysian Experience)

Mr. Mahendra Dev. S., Director (Vice Chancellor), Indira Gandhi Institute of Development Research, Mumbai, India (India's Experience during Financial Crisis: Policies and Lessons for Resilience)

Open Discussion

Panel 2: Pacific Experience

Mr. Yongzheng Yang, Resident Representative, International Monetary Fund, Fiji

Mr. Tuimasi Ulu, Principal Economic Planning Officer, Ministry of Finance, Fiji

Mr. Leiatua Henry Tamotu Ah Ching, Acting CEO, Economic Policy and Planning Division, Ministry of Finance, Samoa

Open discussions

13:00-14:00 Lunch

14:00-17:00 **Session 2 – Enhancing Energy Security for Sustainable Development**

Pacific island countries are heavily reliant on imported oil for their energy requirements. In 2008, the Marshall Islands had to declare a state of economic emergency to deal with high energy prices. This session will explore strategic policy options and sub-regional plans to enhance energy security, and cost benefit analysis of investment in renewable energy and energy efficiency. Discussions in this session will help shape Pacific perspectives that could be submitted to the Asian and Pacific Energy Forum (APEF) in 2013.

Chair: Mr. Rae Kwon Chung, Director, Environment and Development Division, ESCAP

Introduction

Mr. Rae Kwon Chung (APEF on Energy Security and the Sustainable Use of Energy)

Mr. Peter Johnston, ESCAP Consultant (Subregional perspectives on challenges and opportunities in enhancing energy security and promoting sustainable use of energy in the Pacific)

15:15-15:45 Coffee/Tea

Presentations

Ms. Makereta Sauturaga, Energy Efficiency Advisor, SPC (Energy Security Situation of Forum Island Countries)

Mr. Scott Hook, PIFS (Pacific subregional policies and framework on renewable energy and existing sub-regional plans such as the Pacific Plan)

Mr. Thomas Jensen, Environment and Energy Specialist, UNDP Pacific Centre, Suva, Fiji

Ms. Amelia Kinahoi-Siamomua, Programme Advisor, Division of Sustainable Development, UN DESA, New York

Open discussions

17:30-18:30 Reception

Tuesday, 9 October

9:00-10:30 **Continuation of Session 2**

Building on the previous day's session on energy security, this session will continue share experiences on policy options to address energy security, and will continue to deliberate on different perspectives the Pacific can provide to the Asian and Pacific Energy Forum (APEF) in 2013.

Chair: Mr. Iosefa Maiava, Head, ESCAP Pacific Office

Presentations

Mr. John Korinihona, Director of Energy, Ministry of Mines, Energy & Rural Electrification, Honiara, Solomon Islands

Mr. Leo Moli, Director, Department of Energy, Mines & Minerals, Vanuatu (tbc)

Mr. Inoke Vala, Chief Executive Officer, Tonga Energy Road Map, Tonga (tbc)

Mr. Taholo Kami, Regional Director, IUCN Oceania

Deliberations on Pacific Inputs to the Asian and Pacific Energy Forum (APEF) in 2013

10:30-10:45 Coffee/Tea

10:45-13:00 **Session 3– Developing a Shared Vision and Coordinated Actions**

Given the close inter-linkages between macro-economic and energy challenges, this session will seek to develop a shared vision and coordinated actions among policy makers, for achieving energy security. Attention will be given to linking energy efficiency and renewable energy programmes to national budgets, to ensure that there is a clear message coming from the Government to develop a market for the private sector to further invest.

Chair: Mr. Rae Kwon Chung

Introductory Presentation

Ms. Latifah Mercian Cheong (Macroeconomic Impact of Different Energy Scenarios)

Panel Discussion

Mr. Tagitamaiti Tereapii, Director—Renewable Energy Development Division, Office of the Prime Minister, Cook Islands

Mr. Matafonua Soakai, Chief Economist, Ministry of Finance and National Planning, Tonga

Ms. Heremoni Suapaia-Ah Hoy, Energy Coordinator, Ministry of Finance, Samoa

Mr. Letasi Iulai, Director of Planning and Budget, Ministry of Finance and Economic Development, Tuvalu

Mr. Malakai Tadulala, Deputy Secretary—Transport and Energy, Ministry of Works, Transport and Public Utilities, Fiji (tbc)

13:00-14:00 Lunch

14:00-16:30 **Session 4 – Opportunities in Asia for the Pacific**

This session will explore opportunities for Pacific island countries from enhanced economic cooperation with Asia. Prominent experts from China, South-East Asia and South Asia discuss how Pacific can benefit from trade and investment from Asia. That will be followed by short responses from the officials from the Pacific, leading to a discussion.

Chair: Mr. Anisuzzaman Chowdhury

Panel Discussion

Mr. Alberto Isgut and Mr. Daniel Lee, Macroeconomic Policy and Development Division, ESCAP (Export Opportunities of the Pacific Island Countries)

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