



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU)

between

The Caribbean Community Climate Change Centre (CCCCC)

and

The Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme (SPREP)

(together, "the Parties")

CCCCC coordinates the Caribbean region's response to climate change. It is the key node for information on climate change issues and on the region's response to managing and adapting to climate change in the Caribbean. It is the official repository and clearing house for regional climate change data, providing climate change-related policy advice and guidelines to the Caribbean Community (CARICOM) and its Member States.

SPREP is the Pacific regional organisation charged with protecting and managing the environment and natural resources of the Pacific. SPREP's purpose is to promote co-operation in the Pacific region and provide assistance to protect and improve the Pacific's environment and ensure sustainable development for present and future generations. SPREP plays a leading role on climate change in the Pacific region.

1. Objective

The objective of this MOU is to strengthen collaboration between CCCCC and SPREP to address the impacts of climate change through joint development and implementation of practical adaptation measures, to build capacity to effectively respond to climate change and to share expertise and lessons learned.

2. Collaborative Activities

1. To meet the objectives of this MoU, CCCCC and SPREP agree to:
 - a. Collaborate in mentoring young negotiators and sharing experiences in UNFCCC negotiations, including participating in joint workshops and other capacity development opportunities;

- b. Collaborate in developing tools to mainstream climate change adaptation and mitigation strategies into the sustainable development agendas of the Caribbean and Pacific regions;
- c. Promote actions to reduce greenhouse gas emissions through energy efficiency and conservation and development of renewable energy sources;
- d. Promote actions to reduce the vulnerability of natural and human systems to the impacts of climate change in the Caribbean and Pacific regions;
- e. Enhance and share research, education and training and the use of new information and communication technologies, with a view to enhancing the effectiveness of adaptation initiatives;
- f. Facilitate the continuing involvement of the international community in efficiently transferring skills and technology and strengthening the capacity of Caribbean and Pacific Island countries to adapt to a changing climate;
- g. Promote energy policy priorities focused on ensuring energy security and access to energy, and reducing pollution from energy production and use, with a focus on energy efficiency, and reduction in the use of fossil fuel;
- h. Facilitate support for and raise the profile of the Pacific Climate Change Portal and the Caribbean Climate Change Portal as proactive information brokerage tools that engage users and other stakeholders effectively at multiple levels;
- i. Seek to jointly access global funding opportunities to strengthen south-south exchanges and co-operation and promote more integrated approaches to information and knowledge management;
- j. Where practicable to undertake staff exchanges and co-host workshops; and
- k. Hold regular meetings and consultations both in each region and in the context of other international meetings.

3. Nature of the MOU

1. This MOU constitutes an expression of shared intention of the Parties to develop foundations for achieving their shared objectives relating to the protection of the environment and strengthening the capacity of systems, institutions, organisations and individuals concerned with environmental protection in the Caribbean and Pacific regions;
2. Unless otherwise agreed each Party's actions under this MOU shall be considered to be that Party's sole and separate action for all purposes, including liability, and neither Party shall claim to be acting on behalf of, or as agent for, the other Party to this MOU;
3. This MOU is not governed by international or domestic law and does not constitute, nor is it intended to be a legally binding arrangement, contract or relationship. It does not create any legally binding or enforceable obligations, express or implied. It serves only as a record of each Party's separate intention pending execution of specific agreements governing the undertaking of activities as contemplated by this MOU; and

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4. This MoU constitutes an expression of mutual good faith by the Parties who commit to carrying out their responsibilities to the best of their abilities. Nothing in this MoU shall render either Party liable for any debts or obligations incurred by the other. Neither Party may make representations on behalf of the other.

4. Annexes

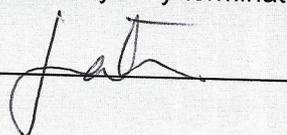
1. Activities that set out specific areas of collaboration to be developed and agreed by the Parties will be set out in an annex to this MOU.
2. Annexes shall form an integral part of this MOU and a reference to this MOU shall include any such annexes.

5. Point of Contact

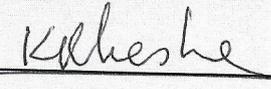
1. Each Party shall have a designated point of contact for implementation of this MoU.
2. The point of contact for SPREP is the Director, Climate Change Resilience Programme, SPREP, PO Box 240 Apia, Samoa.
3. The point of contact for CCCCC is:

6. Duration, entry into force, amendments and termination

1. The duration of this MOU shall be 5 years, renewable for such further period as may be agreed between the Parties.
2. This MOU shall enter into force on the date the last Party signs.
3. This MOU may be amended by agreement in writing between the Parties.
4. Either Party may terminate this MOU by giving three months' written notice to the other.


Kosi Latu
Director General
SPREP

Date: 11/12/2019


Dr Kenrick Leslie
Executive Director
CCCCC

Date: 11/12/19

