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SPC Work Plan in Kiribati



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The following table lists key work areas that SPC is undertaking in 2017 in cooperation with Kiribati. The country-specific work listed here complements other SPC work undertaken at a regional level to benefit the people of Kiribati and achieve its national development priorities. SPC's key regional work is presented in the Pacific Community Results Report.

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Goal 1: The Pacific region and its people benefit from inclusive and sustainable economic growth				
Fisheries				
1. Strengthen sustainable management of natural resources (fisheries, forestry, land use, agriculture, minerals, water)	Support the sustainable development of aquaculture	Completed	National World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) report on Aquatic Animal Health Code updated	MFAT Pacific Aquaculture Dev
		Not Started	Aquatic biosecurity risks assessed, and aquatic biosecurity plans or standards developed	MFAT Pacific Aquaculture Dev, DFAT
		Ongoing	Capacity development provided to government and farmers in aquatic biosecurity	MFAT Pacific Aquaculture Dev
		On Track	Application and evaluation of community-based approaches to strengthen community impacts of small-scale aquaculture	ACIAR: Improving community-based aquaculture in Fiji, Kiribati, Samoa and Vanuatu
		Not started	National aquaculture business development strategy produced	FAO/SPC Aquaculture Business Investment Planning and Development
	Provide analyses and advice for evidence-based fisheries management	On Track	Coastal fisheries policies and management plans reviewed, updated or developed	Core, MFAT, programme funding
	Support capacity development in fisheries and aquaculture among PICTs	On Track	Support provided for coastal fisheries resource or ecosystem surveys and assessments	Core, MFAT, DFAT programme funding
	Enhance data collection and provide data management services for fisheries and marine ecosystems	Ongoing	Provision of new and updated internet-based tools to acquire and manage tuna fishery data	GEF, programme funding, E-Reporting and E-Monitoring
		Ongoing	Support provided to users of SPC-developed Tuna Fisheries Data Management Systems, through the Oceanic Fisheries Programme (OFP) Helpdesk via 'Slack' online collaboration platform	GEF, programme funding
		Ongoing	Purse-seine or longline log sheet data processed at SPC on behalf of member countries	Core, GEF, programme funding
		Ongoing	Observer workbooks received and processed at SPC on behalf of member countries	WCPFC ROP data management
		Completed	Participants attend 11th Tuna Data Workshop - Support provided to prepare and submit national annual catch estimates	Tuna Data Workshop (WCPFC Capacity building)

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		Completed	Country assisted with Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission (WCPFC) reporting obligations, particularly with WCPFC Annual Report Part 1 (related to its fleet's activities in the WCPFC Convention Area)	Core, GEF, programme funding
		Ongoing	Provision of tuna fishery data summaries responding to various ad hoc national requests (e.g. for access negotiation briefs, etc.)	Core, GEF, programme funding
		Ongoing	Collection of biological samples for the tuna tissue bank	WCPFC Project 35b: Tuna Tissue Bank
	Provide analyses and advice for evidence-based fisheries management	Ongoing	Ongoing work provided in oceanic fisheries as the 'science provider' to WCPFC (includes WCPFC members and participating territories)	WCPFC
		Ongoing	Scientific analyses, advice and technical support provided to Pacific Islands Forum Fisheries Agency (FFA)	Core, programme funding
		Ongoing	Analyses and support provided to Parties to the Nauru Agreement (PNA) for Vessel Day Scheme (VDS) and wider fishery management decision-making	Programme funding
		Completed	Participants attend introductory or advanced regional Stock Assessment Workshop to build capacity in analysis of ocean stock assessment methods and results	Programme funding
		Ongoing	Scientific analyses, advice and technical support provided to the Tokelau Arrangement	Core, programme funding, MFAT
		Ongoing	Report on impacts of fish aggregation device (FAD) closure period	Programme funding
		Ongoing	Analyses and outreach in support of development of harvest strategies for Western and Central Pacific Ocean tuna stocks	WCPFC, MFAT
		Ongoing	Secure national web pages delivering country-specific scientific advice on the status of oceanic fisheries resources updated and enhanced	GEF
Forestry, land use, agriculture				
1. Strengthen sustainable management of natural resources (fisheries, forestry, land use, agriculture, minerals, water)	Capacity to make evidence-based policy decisions on food security, sustainable resource management and economic growth strengthened	On Track	Regional repository of national Agriculture Policy Banks developed in PAFPNet portal (infrastructure in place for Kiribati)	Intra-ACP Agriculture Policy Programme
		Completed	Baseline Study and National Policy Inventory and Analysis (Kiribati as part of 15 Pacific countries; to be published)	Intra-ACP Agriculture Policy Programme

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		Ongoing	Kiribati consulted in the development of several agriculture policy frameworks (e.g. draft Pacific Regional Extension Strategy)	Intra-ACP Agriculture Policy Programme
	Enhanced management, and accessibility, of information and data by PICTs and strengthened coordination of knowledge networks	Ongoing	Capacities and priorities of Lands and Survey Departments mapped, and information provided on activities and outcomes of Pacific Geospatial and Surveying Strategy	OCG Geodetics
	Strengthened development and management of natural resources, systems and processes	Ongoing	Progress made toward adopting a modern Geodetic Reference Frame that underpins fundamental geospatial systems and applications	OCG Geodetics
Minerals and water				
1. Strengthen sustainable management of natural resources (fisheries, forestry, land use, agriculture, minerals, water)	Natural resources developed and managed and governance strengthened	On Track	Improved understanding of condition and sustainability of Kiritimati Island potable groundwater resources	Improved Drinking Water Supply for Kiritimati Island Project
		On Track	Expanded participation, ownership and capacity to maintain safe drinking water and sanitation facilities and practices through capacity building and networking activities	Kiribati Water and Sanitation for Outer Islands Phase II
		On Track	Increased access to safe drinking water supplies and appropriate sanitation facilities through installation of water supply and sanitation facilities in participating villages - Preconstruction surveys completed across 14 villages over 5 islands, and aggregate extraction licenses also secured	Kiribati Water and Sanitation for Outer Islands Phase II
	Vulnerability and risks managed	On Track	Improved quality, quantity and reliability of potable water supplied to priority areas of London and Tennessee	Improved Drinking Water Supply for Kiritimati Island Project
	Strengthened assessment and monitoring of natural resources, systems and processes	Ongoing	Levelling survey of tide gauges and associated land monitoring stations - Tide gauges are operational and deliver precise water-level information and continuous operating geodetic stations monitor ground movement	OCG Geodetics
		Ongoing	Technical support for maintaining regional sea-level monitoring stations - Tide gauges are fully operational and deliver high-quality sea-level and meteorological data	Climate and Oceans Support Program in the Pacific

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	Enhanced management, and accessibility, of information and data by PICTs and strengthened coordination of knowledge networks	Ongoing	Printed annual tide calendar received by relevant agencies and available online to public - Tidal fact sheet and additional information and improvements included with tide calendar for Tarawa following user survey	Ocean Information and Knowledge Management
	Strengthened development and management of natural resources, systems and processes	Ongoing	Technical solutions prepared with Pacific Island countries for shared/overlapping EEZ - Technical support for preparations for negotiation meetings	Regional Maritime Boundaries Project
Mobility, private enterprises, phytosanitary and biosecurity standards supporting trade				
2. Improve pathways to international markets (mobility, private enterprises, phytosanitary and biosecurity standards supporting trade)	Increased capacity of PICTs to meet standards, guidelines, and conditions for exports and domestic trade - Improved information available on plant and animal health status	Ongoing	Fruit fly surveillance support provided	Biosecurity and Trade Support / Plant Health
Transport and energy				
3. Strengthen sustainable transport and energy security	Strong leadership in the Pacific's energy sector, with good governance, effective multi-sectoral coordination and strategic partnerships, including monitoring and evaluation	Ongoing	Training courses and support facilities developed and established in Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) institutions	PacTVET - Technical and Vocational Education Training USP
		Ongoing	Climate change adaptation (CCA) and Sustainable energy (SE) training networks strengthened	PacTVET - Technical and Vocational Education Training USP
		On Track	Central Pacific Shipping Commission (CPS) technical visits to member countries for shipping, data collection and training conducted in Kiribati	Transport General - Multi Small Projects

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	Enhance management and accessibility of information and data by PICTS and strengthen coordination of knowledge networks.	Ongoing	Strengthening of PICT governance arrangements to achieve International Hydrographic Organisation (IHO) hydrographic capacity level 1 - hydrographic governance and collection and promulgation of navigation warnings and information	Pacific Regional Navigation Initiative
		Ongoing	Mechanism established for provision of SPC-held bathymetric data to Primary Charting Authorities (PCA) for use in updating official nautical charts	Pacific Regional Navigation Initiative
Development statistics				
4. Strengthen access to and use of development statistics in policy development and monitoring progress	PICTs are producing the agreed core set of statistics across key sectors including but not restricted to economics, population, national civil registration and vital statistics (CRVS), education and health, as required by their national plans and agreed regional and international reporting frameworks	On Track	Disability analysis workshop held to build participants' capacity and skills in analysis of disability statistics in Kiribati - Week-long analysis workshop including participants from different stakeholders (education, health, energy, etc.)	DFAT-Strengthen Pacific Statistics_2016-2017
		On Track	Implementation of key activities facilitated - Further development of reporting specifications and engagement with Kiribati Ministry of Education	DFAT Strengthening EMIS in the Pacific 2015-2017
		Completed	Draft analysis plan for Kiribati Disability analytical report based on Kiribati 2015 census results finalised - Analysis plan and structure defined, with support and agreement of National Statistics Office (NSO) and Disability Committee to move forward with the plan	DFAT-Strengthen Pacific Statistics_2016-2017
		On Track	Participants (NSO - stakeholders) trained to disseminate disability-related indicators to other users and to incorporate their use in the development plan	
	On Track	PICTs have the technical capacity to manage and implement all core statistical collections, including key administrative databases, as required by national development plans, including national strategies for the development of statistics	Questionnaires prepopulated, and Survey Solutions system ready for use in Kiribati 2017 Annual School Census (ASC), and agreed Kiribati 2017 ASC data prepared for upload to Kiribati Education Management Information System (KEMIS)	DFAT Strengthening EMIS in the Pacific 2015-2017

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		On Track	a) Tablet and Survey Solution training delivered as planned and learning objectives achieved; b) data collection tools (phase one design) work effectively and are ready for training	DFAT Strengthening EMIS in the Pacific 2015-2017
		Completed	Household Income and Expenditure Survey (HIES) plans and budgets agreed- HIES sampling plan and budget finalised	DFAT-Strengthen Pacific Statistics_2016-2017
		On Track	HIES field enumeration training completed for Kiribati 2016/2017	DFAT-Strengthen Pacific Statistics_2016-2017
		On Track	Technical assistance provided to support completion of national civil registration and vital statistics assessments and improvement plans	DFAT-Strengthen Pacific Statistics_2016-2017
		On Track	HIES plans and budgets agreed on (Kiribati HIES delayed by World Bank decision to design HIES sample with a sample expert using previous HIES data, and to train SPC and Kiribati staff (capacity building))	DFAT-Strengthen Pacific Statistics_2016-2017
		On Track	Main training completed for Kiribati Demographic and Health Survey (DHS) - Fieldworkers trained in data collection, fieldwork logistics and arrangements)	
		Completed	Kiribati NSO staff trained to execute Kiribati 2017 ASC, and other data collection activities using Survey Solutions with limited external support	DFAT Strengthening EMIS in the Pacific 2015-2017
Goal 2: Pacific communities are empowered and resilient				
Climate change and disasters				
5. Improve multi-sectoral responses to climate change and disasters	Strengthen assessment and monitoring of natural resources, systems and processes	On Track	Relationships strengthened between emergency management service providers	Building Safety and Resilience in the Pacific (EDF 10 ACP-EU)
		On Track	Establishment of island nurseries for resilient agricultural production at local level	Building Safety and Resilience in the Pacific (EDF 10 ACP-EU)
		On Track	Improved capacity to assess viability of seawalls as climate change adaptation options for exposed coastal communities and infrastructure	Building Safety and Resilience in the Pacific (EDF 10 ACP-EU)

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		On Track	Establishment of, and equipment provided to, Emergency Coordination Centre at the Office of the President	Building Safety and Resilience in the Pacific (EDF 10 ACP-EU)
		On Track	Refurbishment and upgrading of weather monitoring station at Cassidy Airport, Kiritimati	Building Safety and Resilience in the Pacific (EDF 10 ACP-EU)
		On Track	Establishment of biosecurity mini-laboratory for sampling and analysis at Betio Port, Tarawa	Building Safety and Resilience in the Pacific (EDF 10 ACP-EU)
	Strengthen development and management of natural resources, systems and processes	On Track	Subnational Disaster Risk Management (DRM) coordination through establishment of island-level disaster committee	Building Safety and Resilience in the Pacific (EDF 10 ACP-EU)
		On Track	National Quarantine Ordinances reviewed and updated	Building Safety and Resilience in the Pacific (EDF 10 ACP-EU)
		On Track	Review of National DRM Act	Building Safety and Resilience in the Pacific (EDF 10 ACP-EU)
	Increased capacity for sustainable land and forest management, including post disaster rehabilitation	On Track	Establishment of nurseries and demonstration farms - Coastal rehabilitation, capacity building	TC Pam project
	Development of adaptation and mitigation technologies	On Track	Technical assistance provided to help communities assess vulnerability to natural disasters and climate change impacts on food security	KFW
Human rights, gender equality, cultural diversity and opportunities for young people				
6. Advance social development through the promotion of human rights, gender equality, cultural diversity and opportunities for young people	Pacific peoples adapt to their changing environment while protecting and promoting their rights, assets and identity	On Track	Report recommendations from workshop on strengthening role of central agencies in governments in supporting gender mainstreaming across government policies, programmes and services	Progressing Gender Equality in PICTs

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		On Track	Kiribati Census 2015 gender fact sheet produced	Progressing Gender Equality in PICTs
		On Track	Implementation plan for national gender policy finalised	Progressing Gender Equality in PICTs
	Effective shared agendas, regional platforms and institutions	On Track	Report of recommendations from the regional conference of Pacific women and Ministers and Senior Government Officials Meeting (2-5 October 2017)	Progressing Gender Equality in PICTs
		Ongoing	Distribution of development support mapped to identify gaps and reach	PYDF Regional Coordination
		On Track	Technical assistance to LGBTI Youth-net to develop strategic communication strategy and facilitate online dialogue for policy engagement	PYDF Regional Coordination
		On Track	Partnership with Commonwealth Secretariat, International Labour Organization (ILO) and Pacific Youth Council (PYC) to advance strategic policy commitments to youth entrepreneurship - Partnership with Asian Development Bank (ADB) to strengthen evidence base on youth unemployment	PYDF Regional Coordination
		On Track	Pacific Regional Youth Think Tank Symposium conducted	PYDF Regional Coordination
		On Track	State of Pacific Youth report and regional youth indicators published through multi-agency partnership	PYDF Regional Coordination
		Ongoing	Technical assistance provided to develop Pacific Young Women's Leadership Alliance (PYWLA) structure and strategic plan - Engagement of PYWLA at Triennial Conference of Pacific Women facilitated	Youth engagement
		On Track	Establishment of LGBTI Youth-net through partnership and technical assistance provided to Pacific Sexual Diversity Network	Youth engagement
		On Track	Progress and report recommendations from the National Culture Policy Peer Review and Learning Meeting	Culture – Regional Culture Strategy Review Working Group and culture policy implementing countries
		Ongoing	National Culture Policy Peer Review and Learning Meeting (countries that are either implementing policies, have draft culture policies in place, or are planning to develop a policy in the 2017-2018 period)	Culture – Kiribati, Tuvalu, Vanuatu, French Polynesia, Samoa and Solomon Islands
		Women and girls have increased access to justice in cases of domestic violence	Ongoing	Te Rau n Te Mwenga (Family Peace) legislation implementation planning, monitoring and resourcing supported
	Ongoing		Te Rau n Te Mwenga (Family Peace) Act - justice sector service providers (police, judiciary) trained	RRRT/DFAT

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		Completed	Te Rau n Te Mwenga (Family Peace) Act - information and behaviour change materials developed with associated capacity building	RRRT/DFAT
		Not Started	Family Law Bill scoped and drafted	RRRT/DFAT
	Pacific Island governments promote /protect human rights and fulfil human rights commitments	Ongoing	Universal Period Review (UPR) implementation planning supported	RRRT/DFAT
		On Track	UN Treaty Body Reports supported: Convention on the Elimination of all forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW), Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC), Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD)	RRRT/DFAT
		Ongoing	Local government human rights and good governance training conducted	RRRT/DFAT
	Civil society and communities promote human rights, gender equality and elimination of violence against women (EVAW)	On Track	Teachers' guide developed on human rights education in primary schools	RRRT/DFAT
		On Track	Teacher training conducted on human rights education in primary schools	RRRT/DFAT
		Ongoing	CRPD community outreach conducted	RRRT/DFAT
	Goal 3: Pacific Island people reach their potential and lead long and healthy lives			
Non-communicable diseases and food security				
7. Improve multi-sectoral responses to non-communicable diseases (NCD) and food security	Enhance NCD prevention and control by strengthening the commitment of multiple sectors	Ongoing	Multi-sectoral national NCD and Food Security plan developed	PHD Policy Planning and Regulation
		Ongoing	Multi-sectoral NCD and Food Security Committee established/strengthened	PHD Policy Planning and Regulation
	Strengthen political leadership and ownership at national and regional level	Not Started	Senior public servants attend relevant training courses or inter-country shared learning programme	PHD Policy Planning and Regulation
		Completed	Advocacy meetings conducted to integrate NCD and food security strategies in national sustainable development agendas	PHD Policy Planning and Regulation - (PPRP activity 7.1.3)
	Establish accountability mechanisms to enable PICTs to assess progress on key NCD indicators	Ongoing	M&E frameworks developed/revised for national NCD and food security plan	PHD Policy Planning and Regulation

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	Strengthen healthy public policy and legislation in all relevant sectors	Ongoing	Consultations on, or advocacy meetings for, development/review of NCD and food security policies and legislation conducted	PHD Policy Planning and Regulation
		Completed	Support for review/development of food-based dietary guidelines	PHD Policy Planning and Regulation (activity 7.2.3)
		Ongoing	Policies and legislation that address social and economic determinants of NCD developed - Process initiated to assist with development of policies, legislation, regulations and taxation on sugar-sweetened beverages (SSB) and tobacco	PHD Policy Planning and Regulation
	Enhance NCD prevention and control by strengthening the commitment of multiple sectors	Ongoing	NCD committee members trained on basic NCD issues	PHD Policy Planning and Regulation
	Build capacity and knowledge for effective implementation/action	Ongoing	Information, education and communication resources needs identified, and information distributed	PHD Policy Planning and Regulation (activity 7.4.6)
	Agrobiodiversity conserved	On Track	Establishment of new varieties in tissue culture using successful protocols	CePaCT Global Crop Diversity Trust Regeneration & Safety Duplication Intra – ACP Agriculture Policy Programme
		Ongoing	Strengthened safety maintenance of Pacific regional crop and tree collections to ensure Kiribati has crop reserves available to respond quickly to disasters	CePaCT Global Crop Diversity Trust Regeneration & Safety Duplication Intra-ACP Agriculture Policy Programme
		Ongoing	Mass plant propagation using bioreactors, screening, preparation and distribution of improved crop diversity (nutrient-rich, pest and disease resistant, climate-resilient)	CePaCT Global Crop Diversity Trust Regeneration & Safety Duplication Intra-ACP Agriculture Policy Programme
	Improved and resilient food production systems	Ongoing	Provision of technical assistance on screening, evaluation and documentation of new, resilient crop varieties	CePaCT - (FAO Treaty Access Benefit Sharing)

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		Ongoing	Strengthening resilience of Pacific agricultural systems to climate change	CePaCT - (FAO Treaty Access Benefit Sharing)
		On Track	Evaluation of food production systems for starchy staples resilient to harsh atoll conditions using integrated pest and soil management in partnership with schools and communities	Atoll Soil Health ACIAR FAO Atoll Soil Health
		On Track	Development of agro-forestry sustainability index	KfW LSOZ36X, FAO ACIAR
	Strengthen value-chain systems	On Track	Identification and development of a fresh produce value chain for sale of surplus food production	PARDI II & ACIAR Atoll Soil Health
	Improve dissemination and adoption of agricultural production technologies	On Track	Rural Advisory Services (RAS) capacity to effectively serve the farming community increased	Intra-ACP Agriculture Policy Programme
Public health surveillance				
8. Strengthen regional public health surveillance and response	Improve capacity and standards of PICT laboratories	Completed	International Air Transport Association (IATA) training conducted	PHD REI work
		Ongoing	Support provided for strengthening L1 lab capacity for HIV/STI testing and screening, including lab-based surveillance	PHD REI work
		Completed	Support provided for developing/updating HIV testing policy, guideline development and updates	PHD REI work
	Improve quality of surveillance and reporting at country level	On Track	PICTs assisted to collate and analyse HIV/STI related data	PHD REI work
		Ongoing	HIV and sexually transmitted infection (STI) situation in the region updated, and Global AIDS Response Report facilitated every year	PHD REI work
	Strengthen policy development and strategic planning for a coordinated response to effective implementation	Ongoing	Sexual Reproductive Health National Strategic Plan: implementation status and updates mapped out	PHD REI work

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Education quality				
9. Improve education quality	Raise student achievement in literacy and numeracy	On Track	Technical assistance provided for assessment and monitoring of literacy, numeracy and life skills in the Pacific	Improving Literacy and Numeracy
		On Track	Technical assistance provided for assessment and monitoring of early grade reading assessment	Improving Literacy and Numeracy
	Strengthen national accreditation and assessment systems	On Track	Increased capacity of education officers, teachers, and school leaders to improve quality of regional qualifications and to support process of national examinations	Regional Qualifications and Assessment for Learning
		On Track	Relevant technical and advisory support for accrediting agencies and education and training institutions provided	EQAP Accreditation
	Increase PICTs' education capacity to manage and use high-quality, valid and reliable data to inform policy and decision-making	On Track	Development of training materials, user's manual and documentation for Kiribati Education Management Information System (KEMIS)	EQAP-EMIS
		On Track	KEMIS enhanced with integration of national examination results and PacSIMS in the system	EQAP-EMIS
		On Track	Capacity of local counterparts for analysis and dissemination of KEMIS data increased - Stakeholders' awareness of data utilisation increased after training	EQAP-EMIS