

2nd PCREEE Steering Committee Meeting

Session 1: PCREEE Progress



Austrian
 Development Cooperation

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Participants at SC 1



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Outcome of SC 1

- Minutes was circulated.
- Only 1 comment from PPA
- 16 outcomes

Outcome	Progress on Implementation
i). endorsed Tonga to be the chairperson of the steering committee and the Pacific Power Association to be the vice chairperson for the next two years, 2017 – 2019.	Completed
ii). noted with appreciation the progress with the establishment of the PCREEE. It was pleased to note the efficient manner in which the decisions of the Energy Ministers have been actioned and acknowledged the support and the kind assistance of all the partners and member countries.	noted
iii). agreed that one representative each of the Francophone and the host country (Tonga) be added to the membership in the PCREEE Steering Committee.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tonga is here • Wallis & Futuna cannot make it
iv). agreed that the sub-regions sort out among themselves their respective representatives to the Steering Committee and to advise the Secretariat as soon as possible.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Palau for Micronesia • Samoa for Polynesia • SI for Melanesia

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v). agreed that the membership in the PCREEE Steering Committee be open-ended but sponsorship will only be restricted to the 5 nominated country / sub-regional representatives.	Niue, Nauru, Tuvalu & PNG are here and sponsored through partnerships
vi). endorsed the Rules and Procedures of its meetings, as presented by the Secretariat	Updated according to SC 1 outcomes
vii). called on the country representatives that have not submitted their National Focal Institutions nomination to do so as soon as possible.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NFIs list has been updated
viii). noted the need to have the umbrella MoUs with Thematic Hubs signed first, providing a sound basis for specific LoAs and subsidiary agreements on the PCREEE to be formalized and signed.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SPC-SPREP MoU signed in July 2017 Draft MoU with USP Draft MoU with SEIAPI Draft MoU with UPNG

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ix). reaffirmed that the PCREEE shall use SPC's policies and procedures, such as the procurement, travel, gender and the grants and sub-delegation policies presented to the meeting.	SPC policies are currently being applied to PCREEE
x). noted that the PCREEE will be coordinated through the coordination mechanisms of the regional framework on energy security and its direct link to the regional framework for resilient development in the Pacific.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updated PEOG in July on PCREEE • Updated PEAG on PCREEE yesterday
xi). noted that the PCREEE would be part of the Global Network of Sustainable Energy Centres (GN-SEC) and looked forward for the benefits of the collaborations among the regional centres.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not fully operational yet • Online capacity building course is under development
xii). endorsed the general structure of the PCREEE Business Plan, noted that it would be integrated with SPC's Energy Programme and directed the Secretariat to present a complete business plan to be adopted at its next meeting.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Business Plan drafted but need to align and be consistent with GEM's

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xiii). endorsed the PCREEE work plan and budget for 2017 / 2018	2018 WP & B updated for SC 2
xiv). reaffirmed the importance of a successful resource mobilization strategy for the PCREEE and encouraged all the PCREEE partners to work together to secure resources for PCREEE and its Thematic Hubs.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Resource mobilization strategy for the PCREEE to be developed QTR 1 2018
xv). noted the status of the PCREEE staff recruitment, welcomed the THs and NFIs to place sponsored interns, trainees, researchers and experts at the PCREEE and endorsed Solomone Fifita to be the interim head of the PCREEE.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SPC circular send to members and partners in Aug SF appointed manager of PCREEE in Aug
xvi). agreed to have its second meeting within the next 12 months.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SC 2 held after 8 months

Recommendations

- Endorsed the minutes of SC 1
- Noted the progress with the implementation of the outcomes of SC 1

PCREEE Milestones

- 2016 – UNIDO and Austria agreed on the PCREEE ProDoc and signed funding agreement
- 21 April 2017 - SPC and UNIDO signed PCREEE contract agreement
- 25 April 2017 – first meeting of the PCREEE Steering Committee
- 26 April 2017 - Inauguration of the PCREEE

Inaugurated 26th April 2017



Ministers Meeting Outcome

- Applauded the launch of the PCREEE, an initiative of SPC, the Government of Tonga and the Sustainable Energy Island and Climate Resilience Initiative (SIDS DOCK) supported by UNIDO and the Government of Austria through the Austrian Development Agency (ADA) and members of the Council of the Regional Organisations of the Pacific (CROP).
- *Strengthen and consolidate support to existing efforts:*
Acknowledge and support the work of SPC, including:

the PCREEE and Development partners were called upon to provide further financial support;

Post inauguration update

May 2017

- fully furnished office
- Space for 16 people



June 2017

- signed contracts for Admin Asst. and EE Officer / PALS coordinator



July 2017

- Signing of the SPC-Tonga MoU on the PCREEE
- Commencement of the AA and EEO



August 2017

- Commencement of the Manager – PCREEE
- Interim 12 months arrangement
- Formal notification of the opening of the PCREEE and invitation for trainees, interns and researchers



August 2017

- Parliament dissolved
- Interim DPM terminated



September 2017

- Commencement of the the Private Sector Expert
- Completed the physical move of the 2 Tonga govt-funded staff
- Visited DPs in Tonga – Aust, NZ Japan, UN, China, etc

September 2017

- Completed national workshop for the private sector of Tonga
- Close to 30 people participated
- Developing funding proposals on tourism and fisheries
- Challenges of tender management



October 2017

- Completed regional workshop on promoting sustainable energy entrepreneurship in the PICTs: a south-south capacity building exchange facilitated by SPC and supported by NZ and the US governments
- About 45 people participated
- Country visit to PNG
- Draft MoU with UPNG
- Draft MoU with SEIAPI
- National workshop with the private sector in Fiji
- Discussions with SPTO



November 2017

- Completed energy efficiency in buildings seminar
- More than 20 people participated
- Possible joint workshop with GGGI in Vanuatu did not work out



December 2017

- PCREEE Steering Committee 2
- Business Plan & WP and Budget 2018
- Workshop on Accelerating Renewable Energy Deployment in Small Island Developing States (SIDS) jointly with USA, Japan, AIT and IRENA

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