

# Seventh Session of the Committee on Environment and Development (CED-7) Partnership Event 2

## Promoting a regional approach to respond to climate-related mobility in the Pacific

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## Background

The event will; i. showcase a regional climate mobility initiative unfolding in the Pacific, and ii. call upon the support of Asia Pacific partners and member states to help progress this work.

Pacific Island Countries are on the frontlines of climate change as they face varying threats from sea level rise to increasingly severe and frequent storms that adversely impact every part of life, exacerbate poverty and inequalities, and increasingly drive human mobility. International legal conventions and frameworks however do not adequately address the legal, cultural and social consequences of climate change and disaster-related mobility.

Through ***Pacific Climate Change Migration and Human Security (PCCM-HS) programme***, four UN agencies, together with the Pacific Island Forum Secretariat (PIFS) and the Platform on Disaster Displacement (PDD) are jointly supporting Pacific Island countries and territories to develop a regional framework on climate mobility. This joint initiative has leveraged the partner agency's diverse expertise and networks working in the field of climate change and climate mobility.



The development of the draft regional framework is a strong working example of member states working in concert to promote a regional approach, guided by a Joint Working Group co-chaired by the Governments of Fiji and Tuvalu.

## Key outcome

A better understanding of the Pacific climate mobility context among Asia-Pacific member states, the PCCMHS programme objectives and the importance of and an identification of potential support to further and progress the Pacific climate mobility initiative.

## Proposed Agenda

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| 10:00 – 10:05 | Welcoming and quick introduction of PCCM-HS by moderator (Tea Tira, Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat)  |
| 10:05 – 10:10 | Introductory video on Climate mobility in the Pacific   |
| 10:10 - 10:35 | <p>Country perspectives on PCCMHS and climate mobility in the Pacific</p> <p><b><i>Experience and reflection on developing draft regional framework on climate mobility</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Government of Tuvalu – Minister for Justice, Communications and Foreign Affairs Hon. Simon Kofe</li> <li>ii. Government of Fiji – Ambassador to Jakarta and Permanent Representative to ESCAP H.E. Amena Yauvoli</li> </ul> <p><b><i>Partnership in supporting Pacific Island Countries in responding to climate mobility issues</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>iii. Platform for Disaster Displacement – Atle Solberg, Head of the Secretariat</li> <li>iv. United Nations Office for South-South Cooperation</li> </ul> |
| 10:35 – 10:50 | Open discussion   |
| 10:50 – 10:55 | Closing   |

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