

## Twenty Third SPREP Meeting of Officials

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Noumea  
New Caledonia

### **Agenda Item 6.2: Establishing a Monitoring and Evaluation Framework for SPREP**

#### **Purpose**

1. To obtain Members' endorsement for the Secretariat's monitoring and evaluation (M&E) framework that will ensure that all levels of SPREP programme implementation are results based and outcome focused, and that outcomes and effectiveness can be measured over short to long term time frames.

#### **Background**

2. The 2011-2015 Strategic Plan links institutional M&E requirements of the Secretariat with regional and national environmental monitoring to assess progress in achieving environmental outcomes for the region. These are reflected in the 2011-2015 goals and targets (Attachment 1). In order to achieve this, SPREP Members have agreed that successful delivery of strategic priority outcomes is dependent on the combined action of the Secretariat *and* Member countries and territories, as well as effective engagement with partners. Therefore M&E - and relevant indicators - is essential at three levels: Secretariat institutional monitoring and reporting of activities, outputs and outcomes; national environmental performance and achievements; and regional level environmental monitoring, evaluation and reporting undertaken by the Secretariat in collaboration with Members and partners.

3. During 2011-2012 the Secretariat has taken steps to develop an effective M&E framework that captures the complexity of M&E requirements for the organisation. Some elements require more work, including reaching agreement with PICTs on an acceptable methodology for ongoing monitoring of SPREP related environmental outcomes at national level - to be discussed at the 2012 Pacific Environment Forum prior to the SM23. In 2011 the Secretariat received support from the New Zealand Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade/NZAID to develop a results-based M&E framework.

4. The key outcomes of this work are:

1. An overall performance management framework (Attachment 2)
2. Results measurement process for projects and activities (Attachment 3)\*
3. Monitoring and evaluation work plan format for project and activities (Attachment 4)\*
4. Revised format for PMER reporting commencing for 2013 reporting (Attachment 5)
5. Establishment of an internal Project Review and Monitoring Group (Attachment 6)

*\* It should be noted that for projects some donors will require results measurement and M&E processes in their own formats*

5. The Framework will be further developed as part of the collaboration between SPREP and the Frankfurt School “Fit for Funds” Programme (outlined in SM Paper 9.2.1). This process will allow the document be further developed in view of the M&E standards and criteria required by multilateral funding agencies such as the GEF and Adaptation Fund. This refinement will assist SPREP in its applications to both agencies.

6. Further work in progress includes:

1. Defining Standard Output Indicators for each strategic priority to enable data to be consistently aggregated across the organisation.
2. Reaching agreement with Members on a process for monitoring long term impacts of SPREP support/interventions beyond the life of funded programmes, projects and activities.
3. Reaching agreement with Members on national and regional environmental indicators to underpin objective assessments of medium and long outcomes of Strategic Plan implementation.

### **Recommendation**

7. The meeting is invited to **endorse** the M&E framework presented.

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