



## MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

**TO :** Representatives of Governments and Administrations  
the Cook Islands, Federated States of Micronesia,  
Papua New Guinea, Republic of the Marshall Islands,  
Samoa, Vanuatu, Fiji, Tonga, Solomon Islands, Nauru, Kiribati

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**SUBJECT :** **The Pacific One Health Inception Meeting and Workshop, 5-9 August 2024**  
**[Nalagi Hotel; Nadi, Fiji]**

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### PURPOSE OF NOTICE

1. I am pleased to inform you of the upcoming Pacific One Health Inception Meetings and Workshop scheduled to take place in Nadi, Fiji from the 5<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> August 2024. The Pacific One Health Inception Meetings and Workshop is a consortium of meetings organized consecutively:
  - i) **Unlocking Security and Health Sector Partnerships to strengthen responses to both health and security in the Pacific: New applications of the One health approach, 5-6<sup>th</sup> August.**
  - ii) **Quadripartite One Health Joint Plan of Action Workshop for the Pacific, 6-8<sup>th</sup> August**
  - iii) **Climate Change Health & One Health, 9<sup>th</sup> August**
2. The Pacific Community (SPC) invites Governments and Administrations to nominate participants to the abovementioned Regional One Health Meetings & Workshop organized to occur consecutively from the 5<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> August 2024. The meeting is organized in conjunction with (i) Asia Development Bank, Pacific Security College & SPC; (ii) SPC & Quadripartite agencies (FAO, UNEP, WHO, WOA); (iii) SPC Climate Change & Health, WHO, UNEP/SPREP.

### BACKGROUND

3. The Regional One Health Meetings & Workshop is organized by the One Health Coordinator and colleagues based at the SPC Land Resources Division (LRD) and Public Health Division and funded by Asian Development Bank (ADB), Pacific Security College, Quadripartite Agencies and SPC Climate Change & Health programme.).
4. The Regional One Health Meetings & Workshop consortium were recently endorsed by the Pacific Heads of Health, in April 2024 and the Pacific Heads of Agriculture & Forestry Meetings, in May 2024. The primary reason for the organization of this workshop is to efficiently accommodate one country representative(s) from the Agriculture, Environment, and the Public Sector.

**PURPOSE OF MEETING**

5. The main purpose and objective of the meeting(s) are to consolidate all the intentions of the partners to conduct One Health Meetings or workshops into one comprehensive regional meeting. Further information about this meeting is provided under Annex 1.

**PARTICIPANTS**

6. This meeting specifically for representatives from the Agriculture, Environment, and the Public Health Sector for each Country, that are likely focal points or designates for the One Health approach in the respective countries.
7. We extend the invitation to 3 senior participants from each country sectors for the Environment\*, Agriculture and Public Health Sectors, preferably the focal persons or coordinators for One Health in the country. \*The invitation to the Environment sector focal points will be initiated by the SPREP. The nomination (see Annex 2) should be received by the Pacific Community (SPC), One Health secretariat team **by or before 7th July 2024.**
8. Participants will be required to engage in meeting discussions, share country experiences and receive technical expertise and guidance on the implementation of the One Health approach in their countries.

**PROVISIONAL AGENDA**

9. The Regional One Health meeting will be held over 5 days and a provisional agenda is provided under Annex 3.

**LANGUAGE**

10. The Regional One Health meeting will be conducted in English.

**TRAVEL, ACCOMMODATION AND TRANSPORTATION ARRANGEMENTS**

11. An economy class return ticket by the most economical route will be provided to all funded representatives. If representatives choose to travel by a route other than the one proposed, all additional costs will be at their own expense. Travel orders cannot be issued until the official nominations have been received. Representatives must retain all boarding passes and hotel receipts while in transit. SPC will require this documentation as proof of travel.
12. Per diem will be provided to official representatives. Hotel accommodation will be booked and paid directly for the duration of stay (at the workshop venue or nearest lodging). If representatives wish to stay with family or friends, please advise upon confirmation of itinerary. A per diem only covering meals (not provided by SPC) and incidentals will be paid. If an overnight transit is necessary, full per diem will be paid (hotel, meals, and incidentals), however, representatives are responsible for hotel arrangements. Hotel receipts will be required as proof of accommodation being used.

**VISA REQUIREMENTS**

13. Representatives are required to ascertain visa entry requirements to Fiji and to ensure passports are valid for at least 6 months after the return flight from Fiji.

**MEETING CONTACTS**

16. Official nominations are to be sent directly to Dr. Eric Rafai, [ericr@spc.int](mailto:ericr@spc.int) and copy to Ms. Akanisi Lomaloma, [akanisil@spc.int](mailto:akanisil@spc.int) and Ms. Kelera Oli, [kelerao@spc.int](mailto:kelerao@spc.int)
17. The organizers and co-sponsors to this meeting/workshop will be in contact with confirmed participants over the ensuing weeks to share further information about the meeting/workshop and logistical details (flight, accommodation, and meals).

**INSURANCE**

18. SPC does not insure participants while attending meetings or during travel to and from Fiji and will not be responsible for any expenses arising out of loss, sickness, injury, other disability, or loss of life. It is participants' own responsibility to ensure that their travel is covered by insurance.
19. Please do not hesitate to contact the following staff if you need further information:

Dr. Eric Rafai, One Health Coordinator, Land Resources Division Email: <a href="mailto:ericr@spc.int">ericr@spc.int</a>	Ms. Kelera Oli Climate Change & Health Advisor, Public Health Division Email: <a href="mailto:kelerao@spc.int">kelerao@spc.int</a>	Ms. Akanisi Lomaloma Finance & Administration Assistant, Land Resources Division Email: <a href="mailto:akanisil@spc.int">akanisil@spc.int</a>
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We look forward to your participation.



Dr. Paula Vivili  
Deputy Director-General, Science and Capability

Attachments: Annex 1 – Information Sheet  
Annex 2 – Participant Nomination Form  
Annex 3 – Provisional Agenda

Original Text: English

**Pacific One Health Inception Meetings & Workshops  
(5 - 9 August 2024)**

**INFORMATION SHEET**

**1. Background**

One Health is an integrated and collaborative approach that recognizes the interconnectedness of human health, animal health, and environmental health in Pacific Island countries. It emphasizes the shared responsibility of safeguarding the well-being of humans, animals, and ecosystems by promoting interdisciplinary cooperation, sustainable practices, and disease prevention to ensure the health and prosperity of communities and their animals in the island environment context. One Health concept may appear to be a new concept to the Pacific but is an initiative that has been in practice within PICTs, where different sectors in government and their stakeholders work together towards a common national objective. An example of this occurring is during the frequent natural disasters, when sectors collaborate in an organized manner under a national disaster office or like monitor and respond to humanitarian efforts post disaster.

This is not the first SPC organized One Health meeting for the region but probably the first under the guidance of the Quadripartite and the collaboration with ADB and the Pacific Security College. Initially, the Quadripartite One Health Joint Plan of action workshop for the Pacific was organized by SPC and the Quadripartite agencies (FAO, WHO, WOA, UNEP), but then the same participants were needed in a Regional Health Security partnership & One Health meeting planned by ADB and the Pacific Security College. Therefore, it was a prudent decision to consolidate effort and resources and more importantly lessen the burden on PICTs in the absence of many senior representatives from the respective countries. The addition of the Climate Change & One Health workshop on the final day was opportunistic a key issue for the region and had great relevance for One health and the 3 sectors.

The successful organization of a Regional One health inception meetings & workshops requires participation of a sector representative from Environment, Agriculture and Public Health to achieve the objectives of the 3 consecutive meeting and workshop. The leaders from the Pacific Heads of Health and the Pacific Heads of Agriculture & Forestry in their respective meetings in 2024 endorsed the occurrence of the meeting in August; and indicated their support with the selection of their representatives to the meeting & workshops.

The One & half day Health Security meeting will build awareness of the critical but neglected role of Pacific security sector agencies as partners in biological and environmental threat prevention, preparedness, and response, and in the protection of aquatic and terrestrial ecosystems. The Quadripartite One Health Joint Plan of Action workshop for the Pacific will focus on each of the countries developing a joint plan for One Health across the 3 main sectors, while the final day workshop will focus on addressing Climate change & Health implementation with a One Health approach.

## 2. Rationale

- a. The need for a One Health approach is never so important as now, at country and regional level to tackle many of the regions chronic issues such as Non-Communicable Diseases (NCDs), Zoonotic infectious diseases, climate change & impact on health, Food Security, Plant pests & diseases and more recently with the COVID 19 Pandemic.
- b. The multisectoral coordination and collaboration within Countries can be achieved through the combined effort and resources of partners that are committed to the One Health approach in the Pacific, through SPC partnerships with the Asian Development Bank, the Pacific Security College, the Quadripartite (FAO, WHO, WOA, UNEP).
- c. An integrated regional meeting on One Health that covers several key topics such as Health Security, a Quadripartite Joint plan action for countries, Climate change & Health partnered with International technical experts with country representatives from the 3 sectors, will ensure that better coordination, collaboration, communication, and capacity building within countries at the minimal time spent away from their homes.

## 3. The Goals of this Pacific One Health Inception meeting & workshop are:

- The Health Security meeting will build awareness of the critical but neglected role of Pacific security sector agencies as partners in biological and environmental threat prevention, preparedness, and response, and in the protection of aquatic and terrestrial ecosystems.
- The Quadripartite One Health Joint Plan of Action workshop for the Pacific will focus on each of the countries developing a joint plan for One Health across the 3 main sectors,
- The Climate change & Health implementation within a One Health approach.

## OBJECTIVES

### The goals of this Pacific One Health Inception meeting & workshop are:

#### 1. Health Security & One Health

- To achieve better understanding of biological and environmental risks and the roles and responsibilities of frontline agencies and multiple stakeholders
- To explore challenges and opportunities in new partnerships between security sectors actors (e.g., police, customs, immigration) and more traditional one health actors (public health and animal health) and advance 'one health' in the Pacific to protect lives, livelihoods, and the natural world.
- To plan for building the capacity of frontline security sector actors in biological threat preparedness, early surveillance, and response and re-enforce regional health-security and enhance partnerships across health, environment, security, and related sectors.

## 2. Quadripartite One Health Joint plan of action Workshop for the Pacific

- Raise awareness about One Health (OH) approach at the human, animal, wildlife, and environment interface in general and the OH Joint Plan of Action (OH JPA) and implementation guideline.
- Review progress and challenges in terms of One Health coordination, take stock of current situation and plan a harmonized way forward.
- Support the Member States to adapt the OH JPA and apply using the implementation guide to the national context with an understanding of the regional context.

## 3. Climate Change & Health with a One Health approach

- Identification of Climate Change & Health Risks and interventions that can be strengthened within a One Health approach in PICTs.

### EXPECTED OUTCOMES

- **Raised understanding** across security agencies, governments, multi-laterals, and donor partners of the value in adopting and expanding One Health approaches across the Pacific.
- **Formation of a regional network of key stakeholders** to advance One Health across borders in the Pacific through specific policy and programmatic investments across a range of sectors.
- **Raise awareness about the One Health (OH) approach** at the human, animal, wildlife, and environment interface.
- **A Joint plan of action draft for each of the PICT's countries** represented at the workshop with a commitment by partners to support its implementation.

**PARTICIPANT NOMINATION FORM**

**Title:** Pacific One Health Inception Meetings & Workshop

**Venue:** Nadi, Fiji and hosted by the Pacific Community (SPC) and Partners

**Date:** 05 – 09 August 2024

**Participants:** One Health representatives for countries; Cook Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, Nauru, Papua New Guinea, Republic of the Marshall Islands, Samoa, Tonga, Solomon Islands, Kiribati, and Vanuatu

**Organiser:** SPC One Health Team, Suva in partnership with ADB, Pacific Security College, Quadripartite

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**PART 1:** To be completed by or on behalf of Governments-Administrations and/or Organizations - A Country representative from each of the sectors (Environment, Agriculture, Public Health).

Name & Title of Manager (*form must be endorsed by Manager*)

<b>Name:</b>	<b>Title/Designation:</b>
<b>Approval &amp; Signature:</b>	<b>Date:</b>

**Department-Ministry-Organization**

<b>Name:</b>	<b>Address:</b>
<b>Phone No.:</b>	<b>E-mail:</b>

**Name & Title of Representative attending the Workshop/Training**

<b>Name:</b>	<b>Title/Designation:</b>
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<b>Address (if different from above):</b>	<b>Email:</b>
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**PART 2: To be completed by Representative/Staff**

It is a requirement that copies of the bio-data pages of your passport be submitted together with this form

<b>Personal Details:</b>		<b>Gender:</b>	
<b>Phone No. or Mobile:</b>	<b>Fax No.:</b>	<b>Age:</b>	
<b>Date of Birth:</b>		<b>Name to appear on Name Tag:</b>	
<b>Person to contact in case of any Emergency: PLEASE give full details - name, phone and e-mail</b>			
<b>Please email your completed form to the stated email address as soon as possible.</b>			



**Pacific One Health Inception Meetings & Workshop****5<sup>th</sup>- 9<sup>th</sup> August 2024****DRAFT AGENDA**

1. **Unlocking Security and Health Sector Partnerships to strengthen responses to both health and security in the Pacific: New applications of the One health approach, 5-6<sup>th</sup> August.**

<b>Time Schedule</b>	<b>Health Security Meeting Tentative Agenda Items</b>	<b>Presenter/Facilitator</b>
<b>DAY 1</b>	<b>Monday 5<sup>th</sup> August 2024</b>	
8.30 – 9.00 am	Registration	
9.00 – 9.10 am	Prayer & Welcome Address	
9.10 – 9.20 am	Host country remarks	PS Defense
9.20 – 9.30 am	Opening remarks	PPPO SPC DDG Paula Vivili
9.30 – 9.40 am	Formal remarks and commitment for ongoing support for ADB & PSC	TBC
9.40 – 10.00 am	Introductions	
<b>10.00 – 10.30am Morning Tea break</b>		
<b>Session 1</b>		
10.30 – 10.40 am	Introduction to 'Improving Cross Agency Responses Biological and Environmental Threats across borders	
10.40 – 10.50am	Session 1: Illicit and Illicit commodity flows across Pacific borders and biological threats	
10.50 - 11.30am	Session 2: Updates from the field: existing policies and programmes	
11.30 am – 1.00pm	Session 3: Capacities, capabilities, and partnerships at the intersection of security and health sectors	
<b>1.00 – 2.00pm LUNCH BREAK</b>		
2.30 – 4.00pm	Session 3 (cont'd)	
<b>END OF DAY ONE</b>		

Time Schedule	Agenda Items	Presenter/ Facilitator
<b>DAY 2</b>	<b>Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> August 2024</b>	
8.30 – 10.00am	Session 4: Opportunities to include security sector agencies in a broader operational definition of One Health	
10.00 – 11.00am	Session 5: How to create, resource and enable scaled-up partnerships among national, bilateral and multilateral partners	
<b>11.00 – 11.30am Morning Tea break</b>		
11.30am – 12.30pm	Formation of a regional network of key stakeholders	
12.30 – 1.30pm	Way forward & closing	
<b>1.30 – 2.30pm LUNCH BREAK</b>		
End of Health Security Meeting		

## 2. Quadripartite One Health Joint Plan of Action Workshop for the Pacific, 6-8th August

TIME	DAY 1 TUESDAY 5 <sup>th</sup> AUGUST	TIME	DAY 2 WEDNESDAY 6 <sup>th</sup> AUGUST	TIME	DAY 3 THURSDAY 7 <sup>th</sup> AUGUST
12.00	REGISTRATION	08.00	REGISTRATION	08.00	REGISTRATION
01.30	<b>SESSION 1 Welcome &amp; Introductions</b> – Welcome & Opening <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Pacific Community, FAO, SPREP/UNEP/WHO</li> <li>▪ WOHAI</li> <li>▪ Prayer</li> </ul> – Introduction of Participants (Country, Role/Position, exposure to & knowledge of, One Health) – Introduction to the Workshop <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Overview &amp; Objectives</li> </ul> – Quadripartite One Health Development & Way Forward – Discussion	08.30	<b>Recap of Day 1</b> <b>SESSION 4 Countries &amp; territories update One Health</b> <b>Group work:</b> Identify gaps in Pacific countries within the Framework of the OH JPA Action Tracks - Report Back: Pacific subregional level (Melanesia, Polynesia, Micronesia) - Actions & Ways to Address Gaps  <b>SESSION 5 Pacific Regional and Country Initiatives and Role of Sectors in One Health Practice</b>	08.30	<b>Recap of Day 2</b> <b>SESSION 8: Country roadmap/action plan for implementation of OH JPA</b> - <b>Group work 5:</b> Actions and Ways to address existing Gaps of One Health in the countries - Country roadmap/action plan for implementation of OH JPA  – Group Work based on results from prior discussion. Participants of each country discuss and select which interventions, actions & approaches are relevant

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Housekeeping</li> <li>– Group Photo</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Pacific Experience on Multi-Sector Collaborations</li> <li>– Country Presentations</li> <li>– Discussions</li> </ul>		to apply in their country, and develop a roadmap for implementation for OH JPA (results are filled into Excel spread sheet)
15.00	Tea/Coffee Break	10.00	Tea/Coffee Break	10.00	Tea/Coffee Break
	<p><b>SESSION 2 Setting the Scene: Multi-Sectoral Collaboration on One Health</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Keynote Presentations</li> <li>– Overview of One Health</li> <li>– Overview of One Health Programme initiatives in the Pacific</li> <li>– Key One Health issues (global)</li> <li>– AMR, etc.</li> <li>– Key One Health Issues (PICTs)</li> <li>-Climate change&amp; health</li> <li>- Pests &amp; Diseases (plant health)</li> <li>- Ecosystems &amp; Soil Health</li> <li>– Overview of the Quadripartite One Health Joint Plan of Action &amp; Implementation Guide</li> <li>– Video of Quadripartite One Health Joint Plan of Action</li> <li>– Discussion</li> </ul>		<p><b>SESSION 6 One Health Funding Opportunities</b></p> <p>-Asian Development Bank, Department of Foreign Affairs &amp; Trade (DFAT) Australia, GIZ, United States Agency for International Development, UK Health Security Agency, World Bank</p> <p>– Discussion</p> <p><b>SESSION 7 How sectors within countries are currently working, and challenges faced.</b></p> <p><b>Group Work 2:</b> Identifying existing gaps of One Health in the region:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Governance, policies, and legislation/financing/advocacy</li> <li>- Organizational and Institutional Development/implementation/sectorial integration</li> <li>- Data and evidence/information system/knowledge exchange</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Plenary Country Action Plan Presentation</li> <li>– Per Country: Presentation of Country Action Plan/ Roadmap on OH JPA implementation</li> </ul>
		12.30	Lunch Break	12.30	Lunch Break <b>One Health Partnership Discussion: Mapping of support to Members based on gaps presented</b>
15.30	<p><b>SESSION 3 Update &amp; Progress: Description of the OH JPA Action Tracks (AT) &amp; QPT contribution to each AT</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Action track 1: Enhancing One Health capacities to strengthen health systems – Gyanendra GONGAL, WHO SEARO</li> <li>- Action track 2: Reducing the risks from emerging and re-emerging zoonotic epidemics</li> </ul>		<p><b>Group Work 2 Continued</b></p> <p>Report Back Discussions</p> <p><b>Group work 3:</b> Identifying existing gaps of One Health in the countries</p> <p><b>Group Work based on results from prior discussion;</b> Participants select which gaps are relevant to their country (results are filled into</p>		<p><b>Plenary Country Action Plan Presentation</b></p> <p>Per Country: Presentation of Country Action Plan/ Roadmap on OH JPA implementation</p>

	<p>and pandemics - Jessica Kayamori Lopes, WPRO</p> <p>- Action track 3: Controlling and eliminating endemic zoonotic, neglected tropical and vector-borne diseases - Kinzang Dukpa, WOAHRAP</p> <p>- Action track 4: Strengthening the assessment, management, and communication of food safety risks - Sridhar Dharmapuri, FAORAP</p> <p>- Action track 5: Curbing the silent pandemic of AMR - Mary Joy Gordoncillo, FAORAP</p> <p>- Action track 6: Integrating the environment into One Health - Makiko Yashiro, UNEP Asia and the Pacific Office</p> <p>- Three Pathways of Change of One Health Joint Plan of Action- Nitish Chandra Debnath, OHHLEP</p>		Excel spread sheet) – country groups		
17.00	End of the day	15.00	Tea/Coffee Break	15.00	Tea/Coffee Break
	<p><b>SESSION 4 Pacific Countries/Territories Updates on One Health Group Work 1:</b> Identify gaps in Pacific countries within the Framework of the OH JPA Action Tracks</p> <p>-Report Back: Pacific subregional level (Melanesia, Polynesia, Micronesia)</p> <p>-Actions &amp; Ways to Address Gaps</p>		<p><b>Session 6: Regional actions and interventions to address identified gaps in the One Health landscape.</b></p> <p><b>Group work 4:</b> Actions and ways to address existing gaps of One Health in the region and way ahead.</p> <p>- Governance, policies, and legislation/financing/advocacy</p> <p>- Organizational and Institutional Development/implementation/sectorial integration</p> <p>- Data and evidence/information system/knowledge exchange</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Report Back</li> <li>- Discussions</li> </ul>		<p><b>SESSION 9 Conclusions and Next Steps</b></p> <p>– Recommendations and way forward from QPT for Pacific regional and national OH JPA implementation</p> <p>– Closing Remarks</p>
18.00-20.00	Welcome Reception – Hosted by ADB		Free Evening		Free Evening

### 3. Climate Change & Health with the One Health approach

<b>Time</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Responsible Officer</b>
8 – 9am	Registration	Secretariat
9 – 9.20am	Welcome	One Health Coordinator
	Introduction – One Health approach	
	Objectives	
9.20 – 9.50am	SPC's Strategy – summary of actions	KO
	Q&A	
9.50 – 10:10am	Climate Change and Health Projects in PICs	VD - WHO
10:10 – 10:30am	Coffee Break	
10:30 – 11:40am	Group Work 1 – 25 minutes	KO
	Creating inventory of CCH	
	Presentation – 45 minutes	
11:40 – 1:05pm	Group Work 2 – 30 mins	KO
	Climate change events of interest, prioritised climate and health risks and adaptation activities.	
	Presentation 45 mins.	
1:05 – 2:05pm	Lunch Break	
2:05 – 4:00pm	Health National Adaptation Plan - Countries	KO/VD