

## Agenda

Timing	Session
<b>1 Nov</b>	
<b>8.30-09.00</b>	<b>I. Opening Session</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Welcoming Remarks by Samoa (Chair of the Forum and Chair of Pacific SDG Taskforce)</li><li>• UN Resident Coordinator in Samoa (on behalf of UN in the Pacific)</li><li>• Introduction to the meeting agenda, objectives etc. by ESCAP</li></ul>
<b>9.00 - 12.00</b>	<b>II. Achievements, strategies and challenges with respect to the 2030 Agenda and the Pacific coordination mechanisms</b>
<b>9.00 - 10.00</b>	(a) Pacific Roadmap for Sustainable Development (PRSD) <p>The PRSD and link to national, sub-regional and regional initiatives in support of SDG achievement in the Pacific:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Chair SDG Taskforce Secretariat: the Pacific Roadmap and Implementation Plan.</li><li>• Plenary discussion</li></ul> <p>Moderator:</p> <p>Implementation plans for the Pacific Roadmap for Sustainable Development; for supporting the implementation of 2030 Agenda and sustainable development in the Pacific. Comprehensive follow-up and review supported by rigorous evidence is critical for effective implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development across the national, regional, and global level.</p> <p><b><i>Session outcome: Views of participants will be summarized to feed into SDG Taskforce meeting, APFSD preparations and Session III.</i></b></p>
<b>10.00 - 10.30</b>	Morning tea
<b>10.30 - 12.30</b>	(b) Country experiences on the SDGs based on the priority areas of the Roadmap. <p>Panel discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Samoa</li><li>• Vanuatu</li><li>• RMI</li><li>• Solomon Islands</li></ul> <p>Moderator: Derek Brien</p> <p>Countries to be given guiding questions with a focus on national experience and lessons from national voluntary reviews (NVRs), SDG localization, gender and data required to</p>

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	<p>monitor and report progress.</p> <p><b><i>Session outcome: Discussion will be summarized to feed into SDG Taskforce meeting, APFSD preparations and Session III.</i></b></p>
12.30 – 1.30	<p><b>Lunch</b></p>
1.30 – 3.30	<p><b>III. Sub-regional and regional support for SDG implementation in the Pacific</b></p> <p>Implementation of the Pacific Sustainable Development Roadmap: What support do countries need?</p> <p>Areas from the PRSD:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Leadership and coordination</li> <li>2. Advocacy and communication</li> <li>3. Regional monitoring and indicators</li> <li>4. Integrated reporting</li> <li>5. Supporting the means of implementation</li> </ol> <p>Facilitators: Garry Wiseman and Charmina Saili</p> <p>Group work followed by plenary discussion and agreement on key actions</p> <p><b><i>Session outcome: Key actions in support of national implementation will be documents for the SDG Taskforce meeting to inform the finalization of an action plan.</i></b></p>
3.30 - 4.00	<p><b>Afternoon Tea</b></p>
4.00 – 5.00	<p><b>IV. Aligning follow-up and review</b> of the 2030 Agenda, SAMOA Pathway from the global to regional (FPR) and sub-regional levels.</p> <p>The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development highlights in about 18 paragraphs the importance of a systematic follow-up and review process, its roles, objectives, and guiding principles. In addition, the 2030 Agenda recognizes the importance of “cooperation between regional and sub-regional commissions and organizations” while the SAMOA Pathway requests specific inputs from regional commissions for its own monitoring and reporting. Topics include the reporting requirements of the HLPF (the theme and SDGs selected for in-depth review); Asia Pacific Forum for Sustainable Development (APFSD) and related Asia-Pacific reports; Pacific SDG Report Pacific; and National Reporting. A key question will be how to reconcile the HLPF theme and SDGs selected for in-depth review with Pacific priorities and reporting processes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presentation by ESCAP on global and regional reporting mechanisms</li> <li>• Presentation by Pacific SDGTF on the Pacific’s approach to the integrated follow up and review of the 2030 Agenda, SAMOA Pathway, FPR and other global / regional frameworks</li> <li>• Presentation by PIFS and SPC on Pacific SDG Indicators policy issues and data challenges</li> </ul>

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	<p>Moderator: Iosefa Maiava</p> <p><b><i>Session outcome: Recommended approaches to aligning reporting requirements to reduce the burden and maximize value addition to countries approaches will be summarized and documented for the APFSD and SDG Taskforce.</i></b></p>
<b>2 Nov</b>	
<b>9.00 - 12.00</b>	<p><b>V. Pacific Perspectives on the 2018 HLPF theme</b></p> <p>The session will benefit from initial thinking on the development of a regional report on the theme, and develop sub-regional perspectives, with a view to informing sub-regional and national preparations and responses, as well as global preparations. Topics include I) national and Pacific perspectives on the 2018 HLPF theme “Transformation towards sustainable and resilient societies”; and II) perspectives on the 2018 Pacific Sustainable Development Report.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presentation by ESCAP</li> <li>• Presentation by Pacific SDGTF on proposed approach, outline of the 2018 Pacific Sustainable Development Report</li> <li>• Group work and plenary feedback.</li> </ul> <p>Moderator: Cristelle Pratt</p> <p><b><i>Session outcome: Discussion will be summarized and documented as input into the APFSD and theme for the 2018 Sustainable Development Report.</i></b></p>
<b>12.00 -1:00</b>	<b>Lunch Break</b>
<b>1.00 - 3.00</b>	<p><b>VI. Pacific Perspectives on Measuring and Reducing Inequalities</b></p> <p>Noting that inequalities are increasing and understanding that, climate change and other shocks may have disproportionate impact on the most marginalized groups, ESCAP member States have selected the theme of Inequality in the era of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, as the thematic study of the 74<sup>th</sup> Commission Session in 2018. The main objective of this session on inequality will be to: 1) obtain feedback on preliminary research results and discuss local experience from the perspective of the Pacific countries; and 2) to highlight the priorities of Pacific countries in measuring and reducing inequalities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presentation by ESCAP</li> <li>• Presentation by SPC and PIFS on economic inequality and the indicators on inequality in the list of Pacific Sustainable Development Indicators</li> <li>• Plenary discussion</li> </ul> <p>Moderator: UNDP (TBC)</p>
<b>3.00 – 3.30</b>	<b>Afternoon tea</b>

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3.30 - 4.30	<p data-bbox="381 254 1437 285"><b>VII. Pacific Perspectives on the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration</b></p> <p data-bbox="381 312 1471 594">Given the threats posed by climate change and extreme weather events, this session will discuss Pacific perspectives on international migration to ensure that they are reflected in the negotiations for the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration, launched in the New York Declaration for Refugees and Migrants.<sup>1</sup> These discussions will feed into discussions at the Asia-Pacific level during the Asia-Pacific Regional Preparatory Meeting for the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration, due to be held in Bangkok from 6-7 November 2017, and the global stocktaking meeting, due to be held in Mexico in December 2017.</p> <ul data-bbox="381 636 716 705" style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presentation by ESCAP</li> <li>• Country perspective</li> </ul>
4.30-5.00	<p data-bbox="381 743 966 774"><b>VIII Final reflections on way forward and closing</b></p> <ul data-bbox="381 821 829 848" style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Iosefa Maiava and Cristelle Pratt</li> </ul>

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