FINPAC Finnish Pacific Project

Reduced Vulnerability of the Pacific Island
Country Villagers' Livelihoods to the Effects of
Climate Change

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The Project

Objective:

Reduced vulnerability of the Pacific Island Countries' Communities' livelihoods to the effects of Climate Change

Purpose:

Improved capacity of the Pacific Island Countries' National Meteorological & Hydrological Services to deliver weather, climate and early warning services in cooperation with and for the benefit of villagers in Pacific communities

Duration: 2012-2015

Budget: EUR 3.7 m

Beneficiaries: National Meteorological and Hydrological Services AND

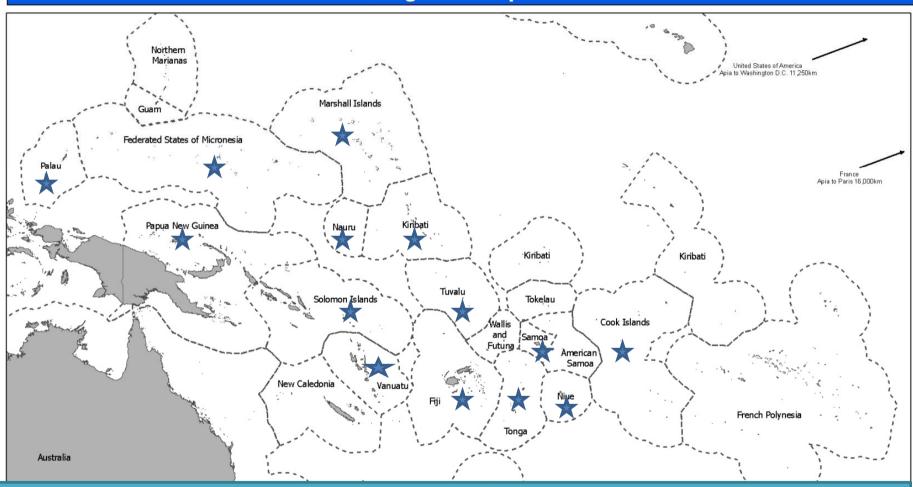
Pacific Communities

Coverage: 14 PICs



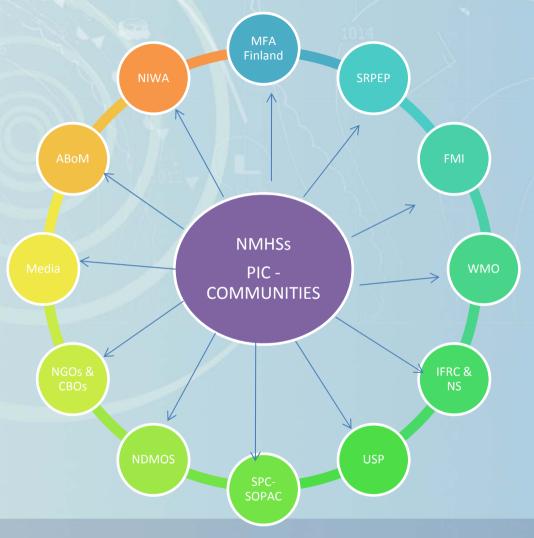


Regional Map



GEOGRAPHICAL COVERAGE OF FINPAC: Cook Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, Fiji, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Nauru, Niue, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu and Vanuatu

The Project Partners







Expected Results

Improved and new weather and climate forecasts and warnings by NMSs

Improved ability of the NMSs to respond the needs of villages with regard to hazardous weather and climate change





Component 1

- 1. Implement Quality Management Systems
- 2. Lightning location data provision for improved severe weather forecasting
- 3. Development and communication of climate services
- 4. Implement weather forecasting tools and production systems at selected NMHSs using the SmartMet Tool
- Improved maintenance and the rehabilitation of selected silent weather observation stations





Component 2

- 1. Training the NMHSs to communicate with stakeholders in cooperation with Red Cross and other NGOs
- 2. Improve NMHSs communication to users
- 3. Develop the national warning capacity of NMHSs using the SmartHazard software
- 4. Development of village-level integrated disaster risk management plans in collaboration with NMSs, NDMOs and villagers
- 5. NMHSs collaborate with partners to develop understanding of weather and climate through village training projects
- 6. Design and implementation of pilot projects on climate change and hazardous weather in selected most vulnerable villages
- 7. Raise visibility and sustainability of NMHSs services through a regional ministerial level meeting in 2015





Building the capacity of Pacific Communities to adapt to climate change



Community
Climate and
Disaster
Resilient
Planning
Workshop









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Communications and Media Training for NMHSs













FINPAC EXPERIENCE and CONTRIBUTION

- Understanding the vulnerabilities and capacities of communities
- Building the capacities of communities to access, understand and use weather and climate information through community workshops
- Development of integrated community climate & disaster resilient plans
- Supporting continued community awareness through educational materials and pilot projects
- Building the capacity of NMHSs to provide weather and climate information services that are useful and tailor made to meet the needs of communities



